Graduate & Professional Student Government

ExComm Minutes | November 3rd, 2015
5:30 – 6:30 PM 5th Wells Conference Room
“Advocating for an inclusive and empowered graduate and professional student community”

• Ben’s Updates
  o All-grad listserv progress, and roadblocks
    ▪ It doesn’t seem as if we are going to be able to have access, at least any time soon.
    ▪ However, we may be able to send awards-related announcements out through the listserv.
  o “Rent College Pads” interest in partnering with us
    ▪ Looking to work with them to create a “how to find housing” report for IU students
    ▪ Alternatively, we are looking for ways to connect grad students with housing options
    ▪ IU is hoping to work with landlords to create an IU certification to give students access to information regarding landlord’s standards for safety, sustainability, and best practices/policies
  o IUSA partnership regarding Health & Wellness / Benefits
    ▪ IU Health Center Director & CAPS Director Meeting scheduled for 11/4, first of many
      • Looking to discuss new Health & Wellness committee
      • Karisa has been in talks to set up a mental health related event in December related to stress
  o Mid-year evals. and progress toward year-long goals (what to expect)
    ▪ Ben wants to meet with everyone one-on-one before Thanksgiving

• Karisa & Jessie
Nov 6th
- Crazy Horse!
- Monthly social hour

Nov 13th
- 1st professional development event
- “Canvas, A New Hope”
  - Canvas workshop

Nov 19th
- Bagel hours from 9-10:30

Dec 4th
- Monthly social hour
- Cardinal Stage
  - Backstage tour, wine and appetizers

Dec 10th
- Bagels 9-10:30

Dec 15th
- Professional events
- “Think happy”
- Dealing with stress

Initiative Tracker, importance and help (from Ben + Staff) if you need it
- Committee leaders should periodically check to ensure that the information is accurate and up to date

Wear your nametags at all events!

Committee Meeting/Officer Updates & Discussion

Benefits
- Spousal IDs
  - There is conflict over what department within the university is responsible for the confirmation of spouses
- Summer funding
  - Crowd-sourcing information to discover how different departments deal with funding

Programming
- Working on making more exciting marketing
- Make sure you are inviting your friends to the events on Facebook

Health & Wellness
• Campus Sexual Assault Issues
  • IU is already making a lot of effort regarding this topic
  • Looking to target more marketing and education for graduate students
  • Resolution should include a formal complaint system that works to avoid retaliation from faculty

• Mental Health

• Omnibus Resolution
  • Fitness center hours and accessibility
  • Better access to nutritional data about food in graduate cafés
  • Better optometric health
  • Housing issues regarding safety

  o Diversity
  • Waiting to hear more details about sexual assault talk

• Sexual Assault and violence prevention
  • Committee has been gathering information from around campus
  • Letter from McRobbie

• Disability Services
  • IU will now provide transportation for AIs and GAs that need to utilize the disability services

• November Assembly
  o Committee time 3:30-4:00
  o IUPD Lt. Brice Allen Teter to speak from 4:00 – 4:20ish
  o Send final resolutions to potgpsg@indiana.edu by Wednesday night (11/4)
  o Wrap-up with any questions about resolutions and/or Assembly logistics

• Adjourn