

**GSO Seventh Regular Business Meeting
March 28, 2012**

I. Call to Order

Patrick calls the meeting to order at 4:34

II. Roll Call

Motion to accept sign in sheet as roll is made, seconded, and carried.

III. Reading and Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept previous meeting minutes is made, seconded, and carried.

IV. Executive Report

a. Registered Student Organization Process Changes

Previously, all students have had to go through Student Activities to legitimize their student orgs and gain benefits. Now, the GSO and Grad School will approve orgs and an org's name on our website will be its official certification of legitimacy, pending the affirmation of exec board and advisor by the GSO. These details will be sent in an email by the President; the deadline for registering or re-registering is April 20th.

b. Library Update

At the last meeting, the new Vice Chancellor position was discussed in terms of how it might impact the power of the Library as an academic unit. Eric Spina addressed these concerns to the Library Committee of the University Senate and intimated that this position is no longer slated to be involved with the Library.

c. Campus West Housing

This is intended in the long term to be housing for Law students, but it will be open to the graduate student population at large this fall. Caveats: it will likely only be available for 1-2 years and is comparatively expensive due to its amenities.

d. Mayfest

SA wants this to be less about undergrads and more about community, so this year they are opening it up to grads as well. They have suggested a cap of 350 graduate students and have offered the GSO a couple of options regarding graduate student ticketing:

For \$20, grad students will be able to attend Mayfest

-OR-

Grad students could attend for \$10 and the GSO will subsidize the rest (up to 350 people).

Jack indicates that these funds would come from the excess Special Programming monies.

Q: Why are the undergrads capping grads at 350?

A: This is likely because of 1) the limited total number of people allowed in Walnut Park for security purposes and 2) because it would happen on a trial basis so that SA and the GSO could evaluate its success.

A motion to subsidize grad students' tickets up to \$3,850 is made, seconded, and carried unanimously.

V. Special Committee Reports

VI. Standing Committee Reports

a. Finance Committee (Jack Mayernik)

i. Special Programming Requests

1. International Relations Student Association

- Total Request: \$2,000
 - Has received support from 10 or so other departments and other organizations on campus.
 - The finance committee has voted to fund IRSA in full
- Motion to accept recommendation is made, seconded, and carried unanimously.

2. Syracuse University Volunteer Organization

Kid Fest

- Not affiliated with GSO but we have historically always funded this.
 - Total Request: 1,800
 - The finance committee has voted to fund SUVO in full
- Motion to accept recommendation is made, seconded, and carried unanimously.

ii. Startup Funding

1. Syracuse University Program for Refugee Assistance

- Works with refugees that have been settled in the community to help them learn English and obtain citizenship. Request is mainly for materials to expand their education programs.
- The finance committee has recommended to fund them the full amount of \$1000

Motion to accept recommendation is made, seconded, and carried unanimously.

2. Education Policy Inquiry Club

- Student organization which is applying for a budget in the Spring; wants the funds for several upcoming Spring programs.
- The finance committee has recommended to fund them the full amount of \$1000

Motion to accept recommendation is made, seconded, and carried unanimously.

b. Travel Grant Committee (Melissa Kizina for Roza Vasileva)

The Travel Subsidy Committee will consider applications for late spring travels in the summer round of applications, which is slated to be due April 1st. Since April 1st falls on a Sunday, the application deadline is April 2nd.

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

a. Law School Representation Amendment

We do not have quorum for voting on this amendment, so it is tabled.

b. Outreach Committee Announcements

i. Poker Event

Not feasible this spring but possibly in the summer or next fall

ii. Wine Tasting

Thursday, April 14th from 7-9

iii. Saranac Beer Tasting

Thursday, April 19th from 7-9

Todd moves to change the allocation of the money from the poker event to the wine tasting, and to request an extra \$1000 (total) for the Wine and Beer Tastings

Motion to accept recommendation is made, seconded, and carried unanimously.

Please invite people to Facebook events on Facebook events if you can, as the GSO as a "Page" can not invite individuals to events.

IX. Remarks for the Record

a. April Meeting Procedures

April 25th is the Budget and Election Meeting; Dinosaur BBQ will be served

We will go through the Budget and pass it block by block

We will run through the elections one at a time, starting with the Presidential election and working through the positions

Half of the University Senate and Senators at Large will be elected

We will also have a special meeting to vote on the Law School Amendment that was tabled today

b. Call for Officer Nominations

Kelly McCormick announces her candidacy for Recording Secretary

Patrick Dawes announces his candidacy for Comptroller

Melissa Kizina tentatively announces her candidacy for President

X. Announcements

a. Budgets Due Friday March 30

XI. Adjournment