

**GNS meeting notes
March 9, 2007**

Present: Lyzz Caley, Miriam Volpin, Laura Jenson, Jamie Peters, Alissa McMaken Roberts, Yi Yan, Carol Kemp (via telephone)

Welcome and introductions

Lyzz: Student Services Survey from Tanya O.

- Ideas for survey items?
 - Healthy food (SON does have a contract with a new vendor who will provide some healthy food options)
 - Bike lockers
 - Wireless internet
 - Printers?
 - Whiteboard supplies for classrooms
 - Outreach for online students
 - Introducing new technology: Sokai

Lyzz: proposed changes to GNS bylaws

- Article III accepted
- Article IV accepted
- Article V: remove "President-Elect" position.
 - Anne Rosenfeld asked for a DNP position (in addition to a PhD position): accepted
- Article VI: remove section re: Vice-President
- Article VII: accepted
- Re: student reps and voting: Lyzz and Tonja will present revised bylaws for vote at next GNS meeting

Finances (financial report attached)

- \$40 for brown bag
- \$5500 remaining
 - Anticipated spending for rest of year is \$1200
- Fundraising committee – to be recommended to 2007-2008 GNS
- FYI: the "Student Activity Fee" (about \$30) goes to SNAP (for SON undergraduate students)
 - To be brought up to 2007-2008 GNS for discussion

Committee Reports

- Proposal for leadership succession
 - Committee recommends spring elections
 - Discussion about elections held
 - Plan to send brochure with information re: GNS with new student packets
 - In Spring, voting for the following GNS positions:
 - President
 - Two Vice-Presidents

- Three At-Large Representatives
- (six total)
- Proposal accepted
- Conference funding (see financial notes attached)
 - Eight masters students funded
 - Four PhD students funded
 - Another email re: availability of conference funding should be sent to students

Next meeting to be scheduled for the week of April 9-15. Laura will send out a Meeting Wizard request.

FINANCIAL REPORT: MARCH 9, 2007

Overall Budget expenses to date			
Expenditures	Budgeted	Spent	Remaining
Summer Retreat	\$100.00	\$32.36	\$67.64
Professional Development	\$4,500.00		
Conference Fees – Masters	\$2,400.00		
Conference Fees – PhD	\$1,000.00		
Speakers	\$800.00	\$265.00	\$535.00
Journal Club	\$300.00		
Social	\$2,000.00		\$1,148.52
Orientation		\$306.00	
Brown Bags			
Social Gatherings		\$545.48	
Administrative	\$400.00		\$129.51
Survey Monkey		\$200.00	
Photocopying, etc.		\$70.49	
Totals	\$7,000.00	\$1,149.33	\$5,580.67
Anticipated Spending (conference funding)		\$1,200.00	
		\$2,619.33	\$4,380.67

Note: The only change from February's report is \$40 spent for a brown bag panel discussing working on a doctoral dissertation

Conference Funding Committee Report

Applications received so far:

8 Masters

3 PMH, 5 NM

All the Psych students going to NEI Psychopharmacology conference

All NM going to "Midwifery Today" conference

4 PhD

All but one approved so far (last one came in recently, still out for review)

3 Going to WIN

1 Going to Conference on Health and Domestic violence

3 of the PhD students will be presenting at their conferences

All but one have no other sources of funding (the one is flying in from Montana with prohibitive costs)

Approval time between 3 and 12 days

No one has presented their material yet, plans are to put synopsis on GNS site as well as offer panels and a brown bag.

Budgeted for this quarter: 12 Masters students, 5 doctoral students