

Graduate Nursing Senate
May 27, 2008
Meeting Minutes
5:00PM-6:30PM
SON602

Recorder: Connie Nguyen-Truong

Present: Lyzz Caley, Brandon Matz, Connie Nguyen-Truong, Jacqui Martin, Rebecca Scobee, Yi Yan, Yupawan Thongtanunam, Kamonthip Tanglakmankhong, Vivian Liu, Maureen Moncada, Laura Jenson connected via polycom

Lyzz Caley called the meeting to order at 5:10pm

Introductions & Food

Graduation Gift Preparation – please help stuff bags during the meeting (engraved pens have not arrived, therefore, this activity will done at a later time)

Old Business

Student Satisfaction Survey – debrief of last meeting

Overall, GNS members felt heard and respected

Vivian will follow up with Tonya Ostrogorsky

Suggestion Box – Katie Kern

Rebecca Scobee will follow up with Katie Kern re: suggestion box

SON Open House

Activities on every floor, appetizers, food, vendors, faculty will be available to visit and speak to students, family and friends

Volunteers Needed on Monday, June 2, 2008

Need Volunteers: greeters (1-2pm first shift), need people to help with ‘draping’

Volunteers: Greeters-Lyzz Caley and Rebecca Scobee (1-2pm)

Financial Report

Budget 2008-2009

Budget: \$2,000 from student fees and the remaining from the School of Nursing, the Graduate Nursing Senate will receive an additional \$1,000 for 2008-2009, to think about the allocation of the additional \$1,000

Ending balance: \$ 1168.29

Elections

- In the past, having 4 elected officers was not enough to get the GNS started
- In the last year, having 6 elected officers was enough to get the GNS started (Lyzz Caley, Connie Nguyen-Truong, Brandon Matz, Chris Green, Yi Yan, Jacqui Martin)

- Spring elections for 6 elected officers (President, Vice-President of Master Students, Vice President of Doctoral Students, 3 At-Large-Representatives)
- Fall elections for Student Representatives
- Suggestions regarding creating awareness about GNS elections: to spread the word, word-of-mouth, concern that students get several emails (e.g. pharmacology)
- Currently, have 2 nominations for the At-Large-Representatives, 1 nomination for President
- Melissa Jones will be making posters to raise awareness about GNS Elections

Note regarding Grievance Representatives: Vivian Liu has volunteered to be a representative and Laura Jenson will continue to be a Representative over the Summer

End of the Year Review

What went well?

- Meeting set-up choices, frequency of the meeting, having food during the meetings
- overbudget in the amount of \$474.707 in the administrative category, plan to have 6 meetings a year- therefore, plan to have an administrative budget in the amount of \$800
- Helpful to have Maureen Moncada at the meetings, helpful to have Dean Judith Baggs, felt supported
- Mentorship from the previous Officers and Representatives, e.g. Lyzz Caley and Laura Jenson spent time to mentor new leadership, e.g. Vice President roles

What could be improved?

- a designated mailbox for students to turn receipts in, this will help to organize all the receipts prior to giving to Mary Ann Talbott
- It was difficult to know when students held brown bags for their conference and sharing information, would be helpful to have advance notice of when these will occur
- Still trying to reach distant students, currently planing to mail gifts to the 'respective campus'
- Superior Promo-much challenge with ordering pens from this company
- 'Fun' to have more fun, e.g. nice to have Welcome Back Breakfasts, something to mingle in a non-school way

What should we consider doing next year?

- e.g. having events that are about getting to know others, have a BBQ, or go to a restaurant
- partnership with SNAP, could be a good idea for recruitment-e.g. can talk with undergraduate students about the graduate programs
- post-graduate, mentorship, tapping with ONA (ONA will be at the Open House June 2)

- Addressing transitioning into professional practice, Career Fair-have people who are hiring NPs, the fair has been targeting undergraduate students
- To be more involved with Multicultural Affairs, OHSU Center for Diversity and Multicultural Affairs, e.g. Connie Nguyen-Truong works at the Immigrant Refugee & Community Organization
- Have different dates and times that are set-up for students to share information and this will fulfill the Conference and Sharing Information

Cristie Richardson is the New Webmaster

Committees

Conference and Sharing Information: awaiting to award \$500, but currently still awaiting to receive receipts, have had to send reminders

Motion to divide up the extra monies and motion carried

- To be assertive in advertising about conference funding support, e.g. flyers in bathroom, student lounge, put applications up on the GNS bulletin board and in the student lounge
- Annual Faculty Fall conference-Maureen Moncada is on the Planning Committee and will see if GNS can make a 5 minute announcement
- To continue to send quarterly emails
- There is currently a designated 'GNS' box on Mary Ann Talbott's desk (5th floor)

Have a surplus monies of \$1168.29

- Have \$1,000 to go towards budget-Can purchase gift cards, e.g. 'Costco', (2) \$250s and (1) \$500
- To put monies towards creating an updated GNS brochure and this could be placed in the students' orientation packet, Costco has printing

Motion to spending the surplus monies and motion carried

Lyzz Caley will take care of purchasing gift cards

Social Activities Committee: 2 successful Welcome Back Breakfasts (Fall and Winter) Will give out Graduation gifts during Spring-Open House, will package the gifts on Thur 5/29, will need more Social Activities Committee members in the future

Curriculum representative could be a volunteer position, student was not expected to attend meetings

Research Council: student representative to attend once a month meetings

Vivian Liu: the transition committee morphed into the Student Satisfaction committee

Vice-President of Doctoral Students: updating GNS Website, helping to create GNS visibility, Maureen Moncada has been helpful in updating the GNS regarding the issue of hiring a new GNS Webmaster

President: Thanking everyone for their contributions and for doing a great job!

Vice-President of Master Students: coming together as a group and making changes

At-Large-Representative Jacqui Martin: being able to talk about satisfaction with the school, to show what GNS does for people

Jacqui Martin will represent the GNS in announcing and handing the Outstanding Faculty Award

Contacted by Office of Admissions for Orientation with the Acc Bacc (will waive), GNS will plan to focus efforts on Fall Orientation (incoming Masters and Doctoral Students)

To contact other groups on the OHSU campus

The new core elected officers and the At-Large Representatives will meet once during the Summer

Lyzzy Caley adjourned the meeting at 6:30pm