GSA Meeting Agenda
Date: July 31, 2018

1. Welcome/Call to order at 5:05 PM
Kim Donohue  Kyungwan Hong  Lauren McCarthy  Tyree Wilson
Dante Johnson  Quinton Banks  Amanda Labuza  Chrissy Carney
Jackline Lasola  Gillian Mbambo  Basant Motawi  Heather Mutchie
Julia Thayer  Emily Smith  Amy Defnet  Edith Hernandez
Megan Lynch  Ramon Martinez  Susannah Shissler  Janelle Hauserman
Katie Gwilliam  Alyssa Grogan

Review minutes of previous meeting - Motion: A. Labuza, J. Thayer

2. Reports
   a. President
      i. Announcements
         1. Everyone please make sure your program reps & email addresses are current; sign in sheet will also have year of program
         2. Orientation volunteer sheet is going around (it’s 3 pages long)
      ii. Meet & Confer Committee
         1. Next meeting September/October
   b. Vice President
      i. Announcements - Planning for winter social is in progress.
      ii. Social Activities Committee
      iii. USGA Announcements
   c. Treasurer
      i. Account
         1. Current Balance: $12,442.39
         2. Orientation runs around 11,500 so will ask for check from Celeste
         3. Budget Proposal (pptx)
            a. Many of the changes made to last year’s budget will be kept through this year
            b. Motion to approve the budget: C. Carney, J. Thayer
      ii. Finance Committee:
1. 4th quarter travel awards have been graded and awards were given totaling $948.78 which is under the budget of $1500/quarter. Congratulations to Sarah, Kiwon, Rupa, Jordan, and Joel on their travel awards.

iii. Student Group Funding:

1. Budgeted for $900/semester. Funding is on a reimbursement basis and all receipts must be handed over.

2. Budget requests MUST be submitted 1 week prior to GSA meetings so they can be emailed out to the GSA body. The next due date is August 29th.

d. Secretary

i. Announcements

1. We are updating the rep list for the 2018-19 year. Please let me know if you no longer plan on being a rep and/or if you have someone taking over for you for this upcoming year.

e. Grad Council rep

i. Announcements

1. Research Award applications are open until Aug 1st

ii. U of M grad council

1. First meeting of the year coming up in Sept

iii. Professional Development Committee

f. PR

i. Announcements:

1. Grad Gazette will be coming out this Friday, August 3rd.

2. Email Katie if you are interested in writing for future issues

ii. Communications Committee

iii. Volunteer Committee

g. Meyerhoff

i. No announcements

h. NOVA

i. Went to spring grove over the summer
3. Old Business:
   a. GSA LOUNGE: moving to first floor of Lexington building. Graduate School offices will be moving as well in order to make room on the third floor of the campus center for counseling services. Renovations to the campus center will begin soon but will not impact our use of the building for orientation or the GRC. Their vision is that we begin to make more use of the northern part of campus and this will give the graduate school a more permanent space. Suggestions: conference tables for GSA meetings/studying, coffee pot, etc.
      i. They want us to be involved in discussions with the architect and layout of the space. Please email me if you would like to help.
         (umb.gsa.president@gmail.com)

4. New Business:
   a. ORIENTATION is coming up! We will need volunteers! See the sign-up sheet going around. Grad 101 panel will be ~2:30-4:00 on Wednesday. If you’re interested please email me.
      i. We are giving student groups tables during orientation lunch. Confirmed groups are: GSA, USGA, the GRID, PROMISE, CURE, PJS, NOVA
         1. If you know of a group that wants a table and has not already confirmed with me, have them email me.
      ii. Crab feast will hold ~200 people (IMET 150 chairs plus renting 50). After programs buy tickets the leftovers will be on sale to students on Thursday for $25/ guests $35.

5. Upcoming Events:
   a. Orientation - August 22rd & 23th
      i. Orientation Social - MSTF Atrium, 4:30(?)-7:00PM, Wednesday Aug 22
      ii. Crab Feast - IMET, 6:00-10:00, Thursday Aug 23
      iii. Big/Little Lunch - MSTF Atrium, 12:00-1:00, Thursday Aug 23

6. Other Business/Announcements:
   a. Get new younger students involved this year!

Date of next meeting: Sep 5, 2018
Motion to adjourn: C. Carney, J. Thayer