

BGSC Exec Meeting Minutes- January 13, 2020

1. Motion to approve agenda for January 13, 2020
 - a. Mike, Emilie
2. Motion to approve minutes from December 16, 2019
 - a. Ryan, Kristen
3. Updates
 - a. Update from co-chairs
 - i. International student representative position - new advertisement push
 1. No interest just yet - more ads out ASAP
 - ii. Grad student vote controversy - Letter is sent to biograds - 33 signatures already
 1. Will send out copy to faculty before Jan 27 faculty meeting (at least 1 week before)
 - iii. DSC - Crops with Profs 2.0 - Jan 23, 4-6 @ Grad Club
 1. Grad students are invited - Cale will send out an email
 - iv. D&D night - yes
 1. Over reading week (Feb 18th, 19th or 20th). Cale will organize DMs, booking Grad Club
 - v. Idea: Darwin day celebration? Feb 12th
 1. Party (with costumes related to Darwin?)
4. Updates from representatives:
 - a. QUBS - none
 - b. Faculty and Staff - none
 - c. Graduate Committee - changes to guide to grad studies- Draft changes almost complete - waiting on email from SGS
 - i. Bran is back and can provide feedback as well
 - d. Union - none
 - e. SGPS - vote tally - meeting tomorrow
 - i. Mike and Emilie are putting out a survey to the meeting to learn more about how other Departments involve graduate students in faculty hiring
 - f. RTPs - applications must be coming in
 - i. Meeting Thursday - updates soon!
5. Update from Social coordinators -
 - a. Holiday party SGPS grant update
 - i. Cheque paid - will hear from SGPS re grant ASAP.
 - ii. Regan will follow up with SGPS
 - b. New Intramurals, BEERS and CIDERS
 - i. Volleyball started last week (we won!). More room on the team!
 - ii. BEERS is on Wednesday (Important Scientific Discoveries of the Decade)
 1. Following will be Allen, then after that will be Ying

6. Update from Academic - Joe Schwarz talk Jan. 16
 - a. Hot chocolate logistics TBD
 - b. Professional development ideas?

7. BGRS update
 - a. Funding is coming along
 - b. Choosing a speaker ASAP
 - c. Need a quote for SGPS grant application (need receipts, etc.)

8. Special projects
 - Brainstorm - what do we want to accomplish this term? Take some time to think about any projects/events you might want to lead this winter/spring.
 - Intl student position - advertise (email biograds)