

GSA Minutes 13 March 2013

1. Quorum Check
 - a. Need 16 students, 18 are present; quorum is met
 - b. General meeting can begin
2. Ankur (desai@aos.wisc.edu) Update
 - a. Ankur cannot be here due to voting for new department chair
 - b. Also, we forgot to tell him
3. Faculty Liaisons Update from Darren (djpilcher@wisc.edu)
 - a. Faculty is voting RIGHT NOW for new department chair
 - i. Most likely Grant Petty (gpetty@aos.wisc.edu)
 - b. AOS poster session is coming up
 - c. New faculty would start at earliest Fall 2014
 - i. Want to start searching in fall of this year
 - ii. Faculty wants two new faculty
4. Committee Updates
 - a. Kyle Griffin (ksgriffin2@wisc.edu) says that Jan Holmes (jmholmes@wisc.edu) wants to work with the non-existent Aesthetics committee to hang up photos from photo contest
 - b. Social Committee—Alexandra Karambelas (karambelas@wisc.edu)
 1. Pay Bryan \$15 if you're in Relay for Life
 2. Do we want social committee to continue NCAA brackets after this year?
 - c. Welcoming Committee – Alexis Santos and Zak Handlos (ritzter@wisc.edu and handlos@wisc.edu)
 1. Thanks for attending lunches, dinners, and trivia nights
 2. Just a few more students, please keep volunteering!
5. Voting for New Constitution
 - a. Last time we voted by secret ballot to change the constitution, and that motion passed
 - b. Today we are voting by secret to officially change the constitution
 - c. Discussion and questions about rewritten constitution
 - i. Quorum
 1. Changed from one-fourth of entire grad student body to two-thirds of number of students attending the first meeting
 - a. Hopefully will allow for fluctuations in involvement from year to year
 - ii. Logistically feasible to vote at full meetings on spending money?
 1. Sure! Cross that bridge when we come to it?
 - d. Ross Dixon (rddixon@wisc.edu) motions to vote by secret ballot to officially change the constitution
 - i. Erik Gould (emgould@wisc.edu) seconds

- ii. Outcome: 18 yes, 0 no
 - 1. GSA voted out the old the constitution, new one to take effect immediately
 - a. Gets rid of ombudsman (sorry, Andrew)
 - b. Ross motions to elect the acting treasurer (Megan Kirchmeier (kirchmeier@wisc.edu)) and secretary (Alexis Santos) to the newly official positions
 - i. Croix Christenson (cchristenson@wisc.edu) seconds
 - ii. Motion passes
 - c. When does new quorum take into effect?
 - i. Now, we guess
- 6. Motion to dismiss, eat cake, and drink beer