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GSA Minutes: March 13, 2019

1. We discussed the results of the faculty committee search & discussed the consensus top faculty hire picks among the graduate students.
2. We formed the graduation committee, which will be led by Zoe, and most people present tentatively agreed to help. She has been in contact with the front office already regarding room reservations, food orders, etc. so we are mostly set with the important logistics.
3. The Pie Day competition happened on 3/14 and had a massive turnout. Dan ended up winning with an awesome apple pie, with Anthony Crespo taking 2nd.
4. Planning has begun for the annual AOS/SSEC celebration picnic and softball game. A date will be selected once a critical mass of AOS faculty and SSEC employees agree to a weekend that best fits their schedules. A survey will be sent out in the next week or so. As our facilitator, you should try to make yourself available for one of these weekends between mid April and early May. I gave a very brief speech before giving the mic to Greg last year. Saturday 1-5pm worked great for everyone that was able to make it.
5. Broomball signups are still open. We need a goaltender and ~2 more players.
6. The qual is tentatively scheduled for the weekend of 9/14-15.

Faculty liaisons: the AOSS poster reception and Reid Bryson competition are merged this year and happening April 9.

Outreach: Ashtin/Maria have been doing out reach booth presentations at local colleges, which happened 2/15 and 3/1. Another one is planned soon.

Social: we discussed the possibility of a hiking social later in the semester, as well as restarting Beerclinic Instability once people's schedules clear up.

Welcome: one prospective student visit remains on the schedule, and is mostly covered for lunch/dinner.