

GSA Minutes: November 14, 2018

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Faculty liaisons

- 1) Neil Jacobs from NOAA is visiting grad will be holding a listening session Monday November 26, which will take the place of the usual colloquium. Students are **highly** encouraged to attend.
- 2) Grad students should fill out the annual progress report and turn it in as it is actually useful in the department.
- 3) Given the upcoming recruitment season for grad students, perhaps suggest to your advisor that they update their website.

Outreach

- 1) *Expanding Your Horizons* happened a couple weekends ago and was a success (again)!
- 2) Maria is looking to expand outreach and is looking into writing grants with Prof Martin to increase funding
- 3) Keep your eyes out for an email from Maria re: outreach specific meeting

Seminar

- 1) Signups for spring seminars was sent out this week. Spots are first come first serve, so email Zoe if you plan to give a talk.

Welcome

- 1) Chelsea has updated the pamphlet and display board for recruitment.
- 2) AMS is coming up! Look for an email from Juliet re: prepping for the recruitment booth
- 3) Tangentially related: UW-AOS get together at AMS(/AGU?)

Fundraising

- 1) Julia got a professional development grant! Ethan Nelson will be coming next semester to hold a workshop on building a personal website and having an informal lunch with grad students.

Social

- 1) Beer-oclinic instability (ie happy hour) was well attended. There will likely be another one before the end of the semester.
- 2) Trivia! There seems to be enough interest in a department trivia night, so be on the lookout for it.
- 3) There was a resoundingly lukewarm response to a department dance night.
- 4) There will be a grad student holiday party in December (after finals but date TBD) tentatively hosted by Alyson.

OPEN DISCUSSION

- 1) There is interest in a CV workshop. Alyson will try to organize something with the writing center.
- 2) The faculty need a grad student rep for the new faculty hiring process: Julia and Juliet!
- 3) Zoe is working on a mentorship program to pair undergrad and grad students. Grad students will get mentoring experience and undergrads will get a (hopefully) reassuring voice. Contact Zoe if you have any questions or comments.