

GSA Meeting Minutes  
November 11 2015

- News from Grant:
  - “Ambassador program” to occur at AMS reception - standing at the door, handing out drink tickets, getting alum involved/donating
  - Get pictures from department for a good slide show
- Tracy Holloway asked for an ESWN plug: they have a website, Facebook page, and helps network with other women (also a Job Network that is related)
- August 15-19 2016: AMS Satellite Conference
- Committee Briefing:
  - Welcome Committee =
    - a bunch of people are attending AMS and will help with running the booth on Sunday as well as the Ambassador program
    - Still need ideas for free swag to give out at the booth
  - Fundraising Committee = (not a part of GSA, but AOS Dept), possibly planning a Homecoming Banquet for alumni to come visit, donate; earliest would be 2016-2017 academic year
  - Outreach Committee =
    - Wisconsin Science Festival was successful, with thousands of attendees throughout the week
    - Teachers in the area looking for volunteers to run demos in December over two days; look for emails in near future from Zak Handlos
    - Another opportunity with Delta Program... also expect email
  - Social Committee = hosting potluck December 4th with White Elephant exchange
  - Faculty Liaison = University senate is shortening winter breaks starting 2016-2017 academic year
  - Curriculum Committee = stay tuned for updated course survey for all graduate students
- Solstice Party:
  - January 29th
  - Undergraduates doing the Union South raffle
  - Instead of dinner, will do h’or doeuvres and tall tables for a more social vibe
- Programming class to be taught next academic year in need of teachers for specific programming languages