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GSG Minutes for 2/21/18

Minutes from 2/7/18 approved by apparent majority

President

Statement on observance of religious holidays passed by senate, a pdf of this document has just been posted to the gsg senator folder on google drive.

Andrea Gifford is the liaison for graduate students to student life. She is available to help you with any issues you have with student life. You can contact her at [\(207\)-581-1406](tel:(207)581-1406) or at andrea.gifford@umit.maine.edu.

Feb. 26- Deadline for workshop for 4-H Day at UMaine. Cooperative extension is putting on an event where middle school and high school students come to the University and learn and participate in all different types of activities on **May 19**. GSG encourages clubs and groups to organize an event. It is only a couple of hours of commitment on the weekend. If your workshop is approved, you get a budget of around \$200.

Through this link, you can submit your idea for a workshop by Feb. 26:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd2qDzHRzIHspYQDUAT2efhBzVBKI9N01GMxB2FCdcr2OHRkA/viewform>

The proposed details for the summer fellowships has been posted on the GSG senator google drive folder.

Vice President

The UMaine Student Symposium is an annual school-wide symposium where undergraduates and graduate students present their work. It's free to register, and it is held on **April 17** (9-5 pm) at the Cross Insurance Center in Bangor. Transportation is provided if needed.

The abstract submission deadline is **March 9**. To submit an abstract to present at the symposium, use this

link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeAFMyzQHEB7IRJcaI0AmC0QphQOGZmsH0_HfoJjqAzclYoXg/viewform

The GSG is looking for volunteers for the symposium. The GSG is also looking for graduate students to judge undergraduate work at the symposium. You can sign up to be a judge through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/umss18judge>

The awards associated with the symposium this year are as follows:

Presidential research award

Provost innovative and creative teaching award

Undergraduate mentor award

UMaine alumni association award

The open session schedule for the UMaine Presidential candidates is online: <https://umaine.edu/president-search/schedule/>

Treasurer

Audit is on schedule

Grants

The individual GSG grants review is starting next week. Results should hopefully be out the week after spring break.

Secretary

March 9- Faculty Award Nominations Due. There will be one winner from each of the colleges. <https://umaine.edu/gsg/mentor-awards/>

New Business

Talk to Scott Delcourt if there is any confusion on when a grad student is eligible to walk in a graduation ceremony.

If you are having problems getting a blue parking pass yet you are on a graduate assistantship, talk to both parking services and Scott Delcourt.

Tyler is starting a grad student event calendar, more details to come.

March 23- 3 Minute Thesis Competition. Prize Money. Flyer in GSG senator folder on google drive. The winner from UMaine gets paid to go to Montreal to present.

Last GSG meeting of semester is on Maine day and will be held at the garden space between Union and Library.