Graduate Student Government Meeting Minutes

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GSG Meeting 02/06/2019

Meeting called to order at: 12:02 PM

Approval of minutes from 01/23/2019: Majority apparent, APPROVED

Club Recognition:

RiSE Interdisciplinary STEM Education Research Group,
Contact person Laura Millay laura.millay@maine.edu
Yes: 24, No: 0, Abstain: 1

Speaker:

Georgia Panagiotidis, georgia.panagiotidis@maine.edu, from the Student Wellness Resource Center spoke about the resources we have available on campus for student health.

Outreach and Professional Development Officer vote:

Tyler Van Kirk, tyler.d.van@maine.edu, was voted in to the OPD officer position.

President:

All committee information is up on the google drive. Senators now have access to which committee they are apart of. Healthcare committee information is also available. This committee will meet Wednesday, February 27 at 12PM in 48 Stodder Hall.

Vice President:

An email will be sent out to the Symposium committee with their first meeting time. The Student Symposium is still in need of volunteers and judges. The link to sign-up is tinyurl.com/umss19vol/

Grants Officer:

N/A

Treasurer:

GSG will be again renting regalia for graduation. This regalia included doctoral tams. Please visit https://umaine.edu/gsg/presentation-board-rentals/ for more information.
Board of Trustees Representative:

At the January BOT meeting the BOT has begun a review of programs. This entails graduate programs who do not meet the graduate requirement for graduation. This does not mean the program will be removed from UMaine, only that new ways to help fund and consolidate these programs will be considered. More information to follow.

Secretary:

The awards committee will be receiving an email regarding their first meeting. Below is a summary of all awards for 2019.

Graduate Faculty Mentor Awards:
The GSG is accepting nominations for the Graduate Faculty Mentor Awards. The awards are given each year to outstanding mentors of graduate students in each of the University of Maine’s five colleges: Maine Business School; College of Education and Human Development; College of Engineering; College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; and College of Natural Sciences, Forestry, and Agriculture. For more information regarding eligibility and the nomination process, please visit here.
Link: https://umaine.edu/gsg/graduate-faculty-mentor-awards/

Dan Sandweiss Graduate Student Advocacy Award:
The Dan Sandweiss Graduate Student Advocacy Award will be awarded to one graduate student and one non-student member of the UMaine community. The awardees should go above and beyond to help graduate student experience here at the University of Maine. Visit here for more information regarding the nomination form and eligibility of the award.
Link: https://umaine.edu/gsg/dan-sandweiss-advocacy-award/

2019 GSG Student Symposium Awards:
Each year, four awards are presented to graduate students at the Student Symposium. These awards are as follows:
Dr. Susan J. Hunter Presidential Research Impact Award
Dean of the Graduate School Undergraduate Mentoring Award
UMaine Alumni Association Award
Provost's Innovative and Creative Teaching Award
The awardees of each award are required to be a graduate presenter at the Student Symposium. For more information on each award and the nomination process please visit here.
Link: https://umaine.edu/gsg/graduate-symposium/

Adjournment: 12:55 PM, apparent majority.