HGSA

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 31st, 2007

Members Present: Laura Arata, Lesley Moerschel, Cherri Wemlinger, Patrick King, Katy Fry, Lynette Scriver, Birgit Schnider, Nathan Roberts, Nick Conrad.

Meeting called to order 1:10 pm.

Recap of 10-26-07 Colloquium meeting with faculty members.

Under new requirements, colloquium would be run by a committee, not one person.

Letter to Kale should be drafted and include a general recommendation of what the new colloquium would look like.

- include a clause about addressing the possibility of a waiver

We need to know what is going to happen so incoming students will know.

Needs to be made clear that colloquium is still a requirement until the end of Spring semester, 2008.

Formal memo needs to be sent out by Kicza or Kale.

Need to call a general meeting.

Letter to Kale should happen before the general meeting.

- request for the graduate studies committee to address issues of colloquium.

Faculty support needs to be concrete before an HGSA general meeting or vote.

Need to get a proposal and a response, then go to the general graduate student body.

Waivers or reduced numbers—decreasing incrementally?

There will be some "injustice."

What does the faculty think will be acceptable for completing requirements?

- two tracks?

Original design—voluntary discussion of grad students and faculty.

Details can be hashed out at an informal discussion.

Timetable needs to be established.

- substitute for 2 credits—additional 700/800/Independent study credits.

- Waivers policy
- Specifically request a reply—need to let the rest of the department know and call a general meeting.

If students ask, respond that we are in negotiations with the department. Motion to elect a representative to HGSA from Vancouver unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned 1:57 pm.

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