

HGSA General Meeting Minutes
October 8th, 2012

Present: Laura Arata, Brett Bell, Katie Perry, Alex Marris, Dongjo Shin, Dulce Kersting, Shawna Herzog, Kris Skelton, Sikang Song

11:05 – Called to Order by Laura Arata

Old Business

- Reminder: Sexual Harassment Certification needs to be printed out and presented to Dr. Sun
 - There have been some complications with browser compatibility
 - Due by January 3rd, 2013
- RCI Steering Committee – Elected representative is Amir but Alex may be an alternate
 - Conflict mitigation will be the project of an open committee which any RCI TA will be able to serve on
- Agraphia groups are being formed
 - Sikang had mentioned expanding the groups into other departments – Shawna pointed out

New Business

- Colloquium Report: There are several student presentations planned for this semester, one profession development on finding a job and another in the works on grant writing or funding, and a fun event in MASC planned later this month
 - Please contact Dulce if you have any specific desire to present during a colloquium or would like to see a specific topic covered
 - Surveys were helpful in identifying topics of interest, but no standard time for a colloquium. As such, colloquiums will be held at the presenter's convenience.
- GPSA Report: Please refer to Sikang's email regarding workshops offered by GPSA
- Vancouver Report: None
- M.A. Report: None
- Ph.D. Report: None
- Faculty Report: None
- Graduate Studies Report: The graduate student evaluations are being revised.
 - Students will compile a list of personal accomplishments completed over the year, which will then be reviewed by student's primary advisor and sent on to the Director of Graduate Studies. The Director will then utilize those reports to complete the evaluation.
- Please remember to register for spring semester classes
- Some concerns were raised about unbalanced course offerings, particularly having 509, 510 and 580 all offered this fall, with no American seminars in the spring
- A discussion on bringing back cake day was started...more to come.

11:30 – Meeting called to a close by Laura Arata

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