**HGSA Minutes — 2/26/18**

Members Present

Brian Stack, J. T. Menard, Kat, Sam, Melanie, Ryan, Taylor S., Matthias, Sam F., Sarah Beth, Josh, Nick.

Melanie:

Nominations open tomorrow through the end of the week (3/2) for HGSA positions.

Election from 3/7-3/9. Look for an incoming email during that period.

Winners will be announced on Monday March 12th.

Still need some biographies for the History department website.

Departmental Scholarships

Due March 18th.

One cover sheet applies to the entirety of your application.

MA’s can get plenty of funding, even after dissertations are funded.

ASK ADVISORS FOR LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION TODAY. Include CVs.

If you do not have a complete D-1/T-1, you can still apply.

Graduation Deadline — Apply by March 2nd.

A later deadline in April requires a larger fee.

First-Year Students: Submit your Program of Study

Schedule T-1/D-1 Meetings now to ensure you can get space necessary.

*GPSA Rep*

Vote to approve funding for Child Care

In Favor — 6

Opposed — 4

Abstentions — 1

Have not provided requested financial expenditure forms, despite the provision of $60,000 annually from the GPSA.

This funding typically comes from GPSA discretionary fund, which otherwise backs travel funding, affiliate funding (for RSOs, etc.).

Exclusively for the Pullman campus.

Not just paying for babysitting—center functions as a lab for graduate students, experience for undergraduates in early childhood development.

GPSA plans to advance a budget that makes a 2.5% cut from the previous year.

Theoretically, funding for the travel grant will remain the same.

However, increased scrutiny could be applied to said funding. KEEP ALL RECEIPTS.

Still need a student to serve as GPSA rep by Thursday.

Monday evenings, twice a month.

A paid position, contingent on meeting attendance, at which you will be fed.

Other elected positions are available.

*Vancouver Rep*

Submit feedback on recent job talks.

*Blog Rep*

Consider constructing a round-table conversation relating to RCI themes. Looks good for the department and RCI program.

*Colloquium*

No upcoming colloquiums, but mock T-1s/D-1s are of course available.

Multiple committee members ready to serve.

*Graduate Studies Rep*

Not all incoming students are receiving assistantships.