**HGSA Minutes — 1/19**

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**Melanie**

Elections in March for next year’s academic offices.

 President must be a PhD chosen from amongst the elected representatives.

 Talk to people who have the position currently, think of who you would want to replace.

 Melanie needs “help” for elections—administrative position.

 Set up poll

 Send out nominations

Annual Reports — Due February 15th

 Respond soon: major professors need time to work on this.

Communicate with Jordan about biographies, CVs, etc.

HGSA Dropbox

 See “Research Funding”, samples of T-1s, D-1s, CVs.

Graduation Deadlines

 Apply by March 1st

Residency

 February 6th, last day to file for residency.

T-1/D-1 Meetings

Plan early, schedule ahead. Faculty are busier than we think, and need sufficient time to organize schedules.

3:30-5:00pm

 Dr. Matthew Unangst job talk, followed by open house at Paradise Creek.

**Nick**

GPSA Research Expo

 Abstracts due on January 22nd

 Actual event not until March.

 Careful—don’t mark faculty as a “co-sponsor”

 Do talk with them about your project.

GPSA Elections Open in March

 Nominations open February 1st—we need someone to run for the position.

 Only history can run to be the history representative.

 SEPARATE from our internal election.

Spring Travel Grant

 Need travel approval form—new caveat.

 Applies to travel from now through April.

Excellence Awards

 Nominations close on February 15th.

 Encouraged to self-nominate.

 Two awards, $500 each.

 Use quotes from student reviews.

Post-Semester Parking

 Should GPSA pursue allowing students to park wherever they want over breaks?

 The collective was generally in favor.

Graduate Student Housing

Challenging administration on use of funds—funding was used to reinforce building infrastructure rather than “general upkeep.”

Look forward to speaker calendar coming from Nick.

 We are welcome at these meetings.

 Let Nick know if you plan on attending—as non-senators are often given priority.

Be on the lookout for W2 forms, legally expected by the end of January

 Accessible through my.WSU

 Staff page

Discount code available for basketball tickets

GPSA Student Center on the ground floor of the library.

 Card access still having issues. Contact, GPSA, not librarians.

Department stipend cuts canceled for four out of six departments.

 Still looking likely those cuts will occur next year.

Pullman Transit

 Positively attested to by attendees.

 However, website no has more limited functionality.

 “PTBusBeacon”

**Karl**

Mild applause was offered for Hans for completion of his dissertation.

Finalists narrowed for World Historian position in Vancouver. In-person interviews to be conducted soon.

 Teaching demos likely forthcoming. Pullman students can attend via AMS.

**Sarah Beth**

Access to both counseling center and “Better Help”—online counseling services.

Aware.wsu.edu—use as a tool to report mental health, criminal behavior, really any concern.

**Brian**

Blue Course evaluations disappeared shortly after the semester began.

 Brian in touch with Ken—though no action taken at this time.

Jackie Tyler still looking for people to help with history day on February 24th.

Same day as the hockey game in Spokane.

 Respond to the email Brian sent out. Ten tickets necessary to receive the discount.

Four spots left on the blog for this semester.

Graduating MA—consider publishing a thesis if you have no plans to do otherwise with the piece.

Consider adding tags to encourage SEO.

**Randy**

Due to TA duties, Randy has been unable to attend meetings.