

GSSC Meeting Minutes 10/26/10

Meeting convenes at 7.35 p.m.

Attendance/Updates

Student Body President: Jacqueline Thong

VP Policy: Elliot Shackelford (excused)

VP Communications: Katrin Nussold

(Designed postcards; worked with Print Services on printing of postcards and Thank You notes; weekly email; Lerner screen)

VP Finance: Daniel Lagana

VP Student Life: Candice Arakelian (excused)

University Senator: Jose Robledo

Social Chair: Marita Wright (excused)

Academic Affairs Representative: Rena Mukherji (excused)

Alumni Affairs Representative: XiXi Fu

(Scheduled meeting with Alumni Office and CCE office; started implementing plans about GS career event)

Student Services Representative: Andrew Hamilton

Student Worker Representative: Alexander Lee

(Attended Homecoming and Happy Hour; worked on two new events)

International Students Representative: Kristiina Wells

(Worked on Spring events)

Delegate-at-Large Policy: Benjamin Paladino

(Worked on By-Laws/Constitution; Met Tour)

Delegate-at-Large Communications: Mahogany Wright

(Updated BWOOG with GSSC upcoming events; spoke at Milvets General Body meeting)

Delegate-at-Large Finance: Sara Moradi

(Issued B-forms for Ice Skating event; updated budget)

Delegate-at-Large Student Life: Jennifer Wisdom

(Attended Homecoming; finalized plans for Costume Party)

Community at Large Delegate: Audra Dochenetz

(Scheduled meeting with Community Impact representative for mentoring/tutoring orientation)

Comptroller: Kevin McWilliams

(Distributed B-form for Costume Party; updated Student Life budget)

Senior Class President: Henry Wells

(Organized Homecoming Brunch for seniors; took a group of seniors to Homecoming)

Senior Class VP: Kristen Hutzler

(Worked on Senior/First Year Mentoring Meet & Greet and Finance Panel)

Junior Class President: Chin Kim (excused)

Junior Class VP: Wojciech Skrzypczak

Sophomore Class President: Keenya Powell

Sophomore Class VP: Joseph Patito

First Year Class President: Kelly Braga

(Worked on Talent Show with Candice)

First Year Class VP: Joshua Lewin-Jacus

(Reached out to Alex and Xixi to push for CCE Orientation; got quotes for Orientation; posted Senior/First Year Meet & Greet to GSLounge and continued to help with planning; volunteered for Talent Show Production Committee; attended CCSC meeting)

Approval of Meeting Minutes (10/18)

Jacqueline Thong:

- Motion: Ben
- Second: Kristen
- Vote: all in favor

Nov/Dec Postcards

Jacqueline Thong:

- Student Life will be asked for input on anchor event photo
- Design will be left to Communications committee

Introduction to Columbia Athletics

Daniel Spiegel:

- Meet once a month, talk about issues concerning student life and athletics; all council presidents are on the board
- Over 1,400 students at Homecoming
- Athletics are the one aspect of Columbia where all students work together, rooting for Columbia
- Basketball Mania, 1,250 students last year; takes 1 hour, 800 students received T-shirts; prizes are given away; Nov. 4
- 2 major athletics venues:
 - Baker Athletics Complex
 - Laurence A. Wien Stadium
 - many games take place in Levien Gym
- Games are free for students, as are buses, beverages, and best seats
- Upcoming events
 - Basketball Mania
 - Empire State Bowl
 - Men's Basketball Opening Night
 - Pink Zone

Extension of Child Care Benefits to GS Students

Jose Robledo:

- Program now exists for faculty only
- The university does not run childcare, but works with local child care businesses
- Financial issue to extend these benefits to students
- The idea is to work with faculty members for access to child care

- No more than 100 students
- This year, budget-wise, it is doable; but the problem is that the people who could work on this are already time-constrained; we need council members (in addition to Alexander) and possibly GS parents to work on this project.

GSSC Business

Jacqueline Thong:

- Co-sponsorship Milvets (trying to raise money for their first military ball; majority GS group; had small allocation for the governing board this year; CC gave them the full amount; tickets will be \$40; co-sponsorship money comes out of our co-sponsorship fund) for \$500
 - Motion: Dan
 - Second: Kevin
 - Vote:
 - For: 18
 - Against: 0
 - Abstained: 3
 - Motion passed.
- Finance Panel (seniors who are familiar with finance; advising for hiring process; Nov. 3) for \$500
 - Motion: Dan
 - Second: Henry
 - Vote:
 - For: 17
 - Against: 1
 - Abstained: 3
 - Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8.20 p.m.