GSG Minutes for 10/4/17 Meeting

Minutes from 9/6/17 were approved by apparent majority

Guest Speaker Dr. Varahramyan

Being a grad student is the best time of your life because you both have time to learn and get to learn how to learn

One of his priorities is growth of grad programs in both quantity and quality

Looking for input from grad students on what needs improvement

Currently working on getting Core facilities in place

Dr. Pelletreau

The Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning (CITL) is home to a variety of events pertaining to grad student professional development

All events on GSG calendar on GSG website

The CITL will have a rep present at GSG meetings to report grad student professional development needs to CITL

President

No updates

Vice Pres

There is a call of for symposium sponsors! Please email the vice president if you know of any.

Treasurer

Finance committee to meet soon

Board of Trustees Rep

A draft of the advisor-advisee guidelines was presented however the senators said they need time to communicate with their constituents on how many days grad students should be guaranteed off at a minimum

Grants

Grant submission report was presented

Secretary

At faculty senate Brian Preziosi volunteered for the library committee (which has both faculty and a grad student) however Alyce Lew did it last year so she will continue to serve on that committee

The google drive is now up and shared with all GSG senators, this is a common place for posting event announcements. This replaces the first class folder GSG used to have.

New Business

The UMaine academic journal Spire is now accepting submissions, for details see https://umaine.edu/spire/