GSG Meeting 11/30/16

Meeting called to order at 12:02 PM

Approval of minutes from 11/16/16 meeting: majority apparent in favor

President

Grad student activity fee increase survey will go out Friday for student body vote

This is the last meeting of the semester so a big thank you went out to all the senators

Treasurer

Checks have been written for individual grants and can be picked up at the front desk of the Grad School

Board of Trustees Rep

Rain is stepping down from this position in May or June

Looking for a replacement Board of Trustees Rep

Candidate must be PhD student or 3 year Masters student that has already been at UMaine for at least a year

Candidate would need to attend 6-7 meetings per month

Grants

Fall 2016 report for individual grants is available on website

Quick guide will soon be available for how to apply for Grants

Magda will be leaving her position as Grants officer so she can serve on the search committee to fill the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies position

Faculty senate has not yet voted on making day of expo an academic day, they were opposed to it being on a Monday as that is valuable teaching time, maybe they will vote at next meeting

Teaching opportunities will still be available to Professors at the expo

The location of the expo is still not set in stone, it may or may not be at the Cross Insurance Center again

Outreach and Professional Development

Monday there is a graduate student social called the “no study zone” in Stodder Hall room 57 from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Food and snacks will provided, pizza arrives at 11:30 am, coffee in the morning.

Career center survey was put out to senators so the career center can put on workshops according to the graduate student needs

 Still no word on discounts for grad students at local Orono bars and restaurants

Secretary

 Faculty senate drafted a detailed document asking the Chancellor’s office for more information on the financial aspects of the one university resource allocation plan. They ultimately decided it needs to be shortened before it is sent out.

New Business

Matthew Kruger voted in by majority to be the rep for the Master of Arts and Liberal Studies Interdisciplinary program

Meeting adjourned 1:00 pm.