GSG Meeting 3/22/17

Meeting called to order at 12:01 PM

Minutes from 2/22/17 approved by apparent majority

President

Student Government Association Conference – April 22 & 23

<https://docs.google.com/a/maine.edu/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc1lFb64FOUQQheKbTS9rACzpew7O1xj9Z8IAhTv5YjMYHpUg/alreadyresponded?c=0&w=1&usp=send_form>

Ex comm elections on April 22 & 23, current vice president and treasurer will be leaving their positions will the rest of ex comm will be running to re-election, be sure to announce your candidacy at the next GSG meeting so voting can take place the meeting after that

Activity fee increase survey will go out to student body, needs 50% approval rate from respondents to pass

Volunteers still needed for hooding ceremony

<https://umaine.edu/graduate/recognition-ceremony/volunteers/>

Vice President

Judges are currently being organized, assignments will be given out Monday to those who volunteered to judge

Treasurer

Budget is good for this year, not sure about future years though

Board of Trustees Rep

Civility statement will soon be voted on, will update the senate on this next meeting

Grants

Proposal put forth to increase food spending rule for clubs from 33% to 55% of allotted budget, emailed to all senators

Proposal put forth for additional club expense report requirements, emailed to all senators

Outreach and Professional Development

Accepted student day this Saturday, over 3,000 people expected to attend

UM/UMM merger still in process of being approved

Next week is diversity/Islamic awareness week

See office of multicultural student life website for details

Secretary

Mentor awards opened back up for submission until March 31st since there were no entries for the college of business. See GSG website for details.

Faculty senate agreed that the school of business should be considered an official college of UMaine rather than a school. It was also noted that there will be no classes on Patriot’s and President’s day of next year

New Business

Ideas put forth from ex comm:

Eliminate the outreach and professional development officer position

Reduce social budget from $4,000 to $2,000

Hire GSG office assistant with work study support

Shane will have these ideas out to the Senate in writing in less than a week from now