

GSG Meeting 01/20/2020

Time meeting was called to order: 12:01 P.M

Approval of meeting minutes 12/06/2019 Approved by majority

President:

- Introduction to the Graduate Student Government Senate
- Club grants **January 31st 5 PM deadline, February 7th 5PM individual grants deadline**
- Mug Club on 21st January 2020
- Graduate student mental health counseling as of right now there a 6 free counselling visits, to circumvent this hinderance would electronic counselling be of option
- Creation of deputy Grants officer position: All in favor, 28 senators approved

Vice-president:

- Currently working on organizing and communicating club information more clearly on the GSG website
- The 3rd Annual Tunnel of Oppression will be held on **Thursday, April 2nd in the Memorial Union**. There will be several tours through the Tunnel of Oppression throughout the day (approximate times are between 9 AM - 3 PM).

The Tunnel of Oppression is an immersive experience that tours participants through several scenes to push their comfort zone about several high impact social groups. The scenes are both active and passive.

Learning outcomes include:

- Explore varying angles in regard to diversity and inclusion
- Experience discomfort when examining several social identity topics
- Reflect on their learned experiences and articulate the social concerns in regard to a myriad of issues such as sexual assault, racism, mental health, and more
- Compare and contrast their opinions and values with others respectfully and civilly through communication

Treasurer:

- N/A

Secretary:

- Attendance

Board of Trustees Representative (BOT):

- Details of meeting on 26th and 27th of January will be posted google drive

OPD officer:

- For information about Umaine TEDx please contact Allyson Hammond (allyson.hammond@maine.edu)
- Volunteers for international dance festival (February 15th)

Grants officer:

- The acting grants officer will be assisting incoming grants officer
- Club grants have already been taken care of
- The process has been streamlined with reply templates, hence less workload for incoming grants officer
- Most of the work is referring and the biggest consumer of time in this position is responding to emails with templates this time should be substantially reduced
- If there is no grants officer the grants role will be non-competitive, that is a set amount of money will be given to the department and it is the departments job to take care of it

Other announcements:

- CUGR: Looking for volunteers for the symposium, people needed for registration and Venue, Setup and Pickup at the alfond stadium on 16th April. To volunteer contact Saman Zare (saman.zare@maine.edu) and Cat Lamb (catherine.lamb@maine.edu)
- Jennifer Jain (Childcare committee): Long waitlist for childcare services, mostly faculty use the services. Looking to expand resources and communicate about other resources through various channels

- Career fair on the 5th of February.

Meeting Adjourned: 12:58 P.M