GSA Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 5th, 2009
5:15 PM
Wittson Hall 3042

Members Present: Mario Fernandez, Miriam Menezes, Heidi Johnson, Aishwarya Prakash, Briana Ormsbee, Mike Gleason, Paula Klutho, Agnes Constantino, Haley Capek, Stephanie Kraft-Terry, Jessica Hutter, Kelley Long, Marc Ueda, Tara Nordgren, and Vamsi Karuturi
James Randazzo presided.

Discussion: GSA/UNeMed Seminar
  • Well presented, but low turnout.

Bio-business certification
  • Tara discussed what is in place by now.
  • Suggested courses can be looked over, any suggestions given to Tara/James by May 21st.
  • Typically students interested in this would start courses (~3 a year) once they finish with core requirements for UNMC programs. The business college is interested in getting this up and running by as early as the Fall Semester of 2009.
  • The program is flexible and will allow students to design and propagate a project amenable to their thesis project and their advisors.
  • The PIs will not be paying for students to take these courses or be enrolled in the program.
  • The funding for this will have to come from some other source.

Student Parking
  • 250 spots in Lot 15 will be removed once the COPH construction begins.
  • Therefore, students will require several new options:
    o Lot 19 will be converted entirely to student parking
    o Lot 21 (Upper) will be available once it has been resurfaced.
    o Additional overflow will be moved to Lot 20.
    o Options for having Lot 27 converted to student parking are in the works, but nothing is set as of now.
    o There will be no increase in student parking fees in the fall.

DRC Computer Lab
  • Survey was completed by students and indicates a need for a computer lab in the DRC, or at least a graduate student lounge if not a public lab.
  • Results will be tabulated and submitted to Dr. Rosenquist for further review.
  • More details to follow in August

GSA Banquet
• Tuesday, May 15\textsuperscript{th} at 2 pm in the Private Dining Room

Student Senate and GSA President Appointment
• Upon passing of the amendment to the constitution, graduate studies will have a seat at Student Senate. The GSA President will have the option of filling in this seat or choosing a representative to do so.

Election of GSA President for 2009-2010 Academic Year
• James Randazzo was nominated.
• James was elected unanimously to continue as president.

Other Business: None

Adjourn