GSA meeting minutes
Tuesday, April 5th, 5:30pm
WH 3042

Members present: Amanda Lakamp, Paula Klutho, Erin Rosenbaugh, Eric Tom, Saili Moghe, Mike Gleason, Miriam Menezes, Agnes Constatino, Jyoti Iyer, Marc Udea and Jamie Arnst. Stephanie Kraft-Terry presided.

- Minutes from March meeting approved
- Student Senate Report- Jamie Arnst
  - TVs in the Center for Healthy Living
    - Should be installed soon
    - Debating whether to equip them with FM transmitters
  - Community Health Fair on April 16th- 11-3, (two shifts, 11-1, 1-3)
    - Still looking for student helpers. Need 8-12 graduate students to help run smoking cessation and STD/HIV education tables, and to help direct traffic.
    - Spanish translators also needed
    - If interested, contact Stephanie
  - Legislative session:
    - 6 bills that effect campus/health (budget, cigarette taxes, etc). Jamie has bills if interested
  - Gym may increase fees by $5/semester (total of $62.50). This is not been approved by student senate or board of regents yet.
  - Blood drive – Goal was 120 units, received 74 units. More advertising is needed
  - Luau is April 16th – more details should be emailed soon
- Old business
  - UNO CV/resume workshop (Michelle Perone from UNO career center)
    - Went well, though there was a room conflict
    - Most students made their appointment time.
    - Michelle was open to the idea of giving a seminar/workshop on how to write a CV/resume next year, possibly a week or two before coming to review CV/resumes so that students will have a better idea of what should go into one and how to format.
    - UNO career center is open to UNMC students. Just let them know you are a student at UNMC when you call to set up an appointment.
  - Bowling Night
    - 53 people attended
    - Went well
    - Reserved 6 lanes, ended up using 7 for a total cost of $538.
    - West Lanes is good to work with.
- New Business
  - Spring Seminar
    - Dr. Jennie Mather and Dr. Dick Woodward–
• April 21st Dr. Mather (benchwork in industry) 10:00am, Dr. Woodward (Start ups in industry) at 1:30pm.
• Post-doc association agreed to cover half the cost.
• Erin and Stephanie will pick them up at the airport and take them to the hotel April 20th.
• Amanda will pick them up from the hotel to go to dinner Weds (April 20) evening (Mark’s at 6:30pm) with the exec board
• Erin will pick both of them up at 9am Thursday for the seminars
• Lunch 11:45 with students/post-docs. Saili, Areil, and Jyoti signed up for lunch. Email to rest of students will go out to fill remaining spots.
• Stephanie will take Dr. Mather to the airport
• Dinner with Dr. Woodward (5:30pm at Rick’s Boatyard). Agnes signed up to go, other students will sign up via email.
• Fri, April 22nd Amanda will take Dr. Woodward to the airport.
• Paula will make a flyer for the seminars
• Stephanie looking into whether we can record and post the seminars.
• Erin ordered food for the seminars (bagels/muffins for morning, cookies for afternoon)

  ▪ Ethics course
    • Dr. Crouse wants student feedbacks. Written evaluations following the course have not been helpful as very few students write comments.
    • Would like a small panel of students to give feedback (it is not necessary to have taken the course). Jamie signed up for the panel.
    • The course will be offered at least once this summer.
    • If you are applying for NIH funding (F31) you must take the new course.
    • It may become a for credit class that could be registered for via peoplesoft.
    • One problem is finding faculty willing to teach it more frequently.

  ▪ UNMC Writers group
    • A good way to have your writing evaluated and improved.
    • Contact Laura Bilek to sign up.

  o Social Activities
    ▪ Zoo trip
      • Jamie has contacted Dr. Armstrong who manages tours at the zoo. (this is Dr. Toews contact for tours he does with his class)
• Limits tour group size to 25 people
• Dr. Armstrong prefers to do tours during the week. It was decided that if we have this event it would need to be on a weekend, and possibly have two separate tour groups (morning and afternoon, possibly with a lunch in the middle?)
• Jamie is waiting to hear from Dr. Armstrong to find out if a weekend tour is possible. Planning for mid/late May or early June.
• If not possible to get a tour on a Saturday, we will most likely still go without a tour
  o Group admission including IMAX, train, tram, skyfari, and lunch is $26/person
  o Lunch is served for 1 hour
  o $800 deposit
  o We would sell wristbands in advance that allow people to get in, ride all the rides, go to the IMAX and attend lunch
  o Most likely will need to charge students and guests. Possibly $5 for student, $10 for guest (limit one guest). Erin, Stephanie, and Jamie will look over the budget and decide.
  o The number of tickets will most likely be limited to 50 or 75.
  o Jamie will look into how children are covered.
    ▪ Could parents buy a regular pass for children and still attend the lunch?
    ▪ Until what age are children free?
    ▪ Are older children discounted?
• Updates will be posted on the facebook discussion page. Keep an eye for updates and give your feedback there.
  ▪ Dave and Buster
• Other business
  o Amy Schlueter (graduate studies) is leaving as of April 15th.
    ▪ So far, no replacement is hired.
    ▪ Discussed getting a card for students to sign for her.
  o Bake-off to benefit the American Cancer society Fri April 8th, noon-1:30pm in the ESH atrium. $2 to vote and taste all the baked goods!
  o UNMC culture fest is April 21st (Free lunch)
• Meeting adjourned

Submitted by Paula Klutho