

GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL (GSC) MEETING – SEPTEMBER 4, 2013



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CALL TO ORDER

- *Meeting was called to order at 12:32 pm on September 4, 2013 at the board room, Library, ASU by Usha who presided.*
 - *Sign in sheet was passed instead of roll call.*
 - The Facilitators, Dr Sustich, Vice Provost for Research and Graduate Studies and Dr. Erik Gilbert, Associate Dean of the Graduate School gave brief introductions
- Dr. Gilbert spoke on the topic of Improving the financial education of Graduate Students. Speaking on this, he thought creating a survey would be the best way in finding out graduate students input on financing a graduate degree. He asked for suggestions from the council. "As graduate students what will draw attention towards completing a survey?" A few suggestions from the floor were as follows: if a prize was given to the first 15 people to fill out the survey (\$5 giftcards), or if you filled out the survey your name will be placed in a drawing to receive a big prize (Ipad, or textbook voucher).

I. REPORTS

- ***President's Report:***
- *Introduction of new President- Usha Ramanathan*
- President welcomed guests and graduate students to the Fall 2013 semester of the Council
- She briefed the GSC history (A copy of it is available in website).

- ***Vice President Report:***
- Introduction of new Vice President and Head of Shared Governance Committees- Dalia Tejada
- briefed on joining committees and the responsibilities involved

- ***Secretary's Report:***
- Introduction of new Secretary- Sharice Nash
- She gave a brief summary of the roles and responsibilities of a department representative
- Remember to submit reports to secretary at least once a month
- Also briefed on Action Fund Applications

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- **Treasurer's Report:**
- Introduction of New treasurer Suhair Muryan

The first council meeting closed with sign-ups for Department Representatives and Shared Governance Committee members.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:05 pm on September 4, 2013 at the board room, Library, ASU by Usha Ramanathan

Attendance Includes:

Saravana Shanamuga- Business Administration

Pamela Shultz- Center for Excellence

Sharice Nash- Secretary/Exercise Science

Usha Ramanathan- President/ Computer Science

Suhair Muryan- Treasurer/Center for Excellence

Dalia Tejada- Vice President/Educational Leadership

Tanika Foster- Communication Studies

Jonece Carter- Communication Studies

A, Shivateja- Engineering Management

Josh Bramlett- Mass Communications

Barbara Barnett- Mass Communications

Martina Garde- Molecular Biosciences

Ashley Handcock- Nursing

MD Rana- Exercise Science

Candace Chapman- Physical Therapy

McCall Henderson- Physical Therapy

Lisa Adakosa- Public Administration

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