

## GSA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

March 1<sup>st</sup> 2011 – meeting began at 7:05pm

Laura began the meeting with a discussion of GSA's long term goals

- We discussed a possible conference with other Big Ten schools. UNL could host the conference to get a better idea what other Big Ten schools do about student government for grad students.
- Ellen Weisinger the new VC of Academic Affairs has expressed enthusiasm for the idea and said that the administration might be willing to put up some funds for this.
- The exec committee would like to bring forth a resolution to form two committees to look into this. One committee would work at getting other schools to commit to a conference. The other committee would research the organization of student governments at other schools prior to any conference. A specific time line was not determined at the time of the meeting

The exec committee would like to nominate L.J. as the new VC of Social Events. We will approach him about this and try to get him on board.

We will discuss elections for campus reps at the next LA meeting

We spent some time discussing the Grad Student Impact Award

- We will nominate 4 people for awards
  - Eric Hunt for outstanding organization member
  - Laura Lynch for outstanding organization president
  - GSAW for outstanding program
  - Aleksandra Stein for outstanding officer
- Aleks will write letters of recommendation that we will send to our advisor on behalf of these individuals.
- Katie will write a letters of recommendation for GSAW and Laura. Laura will write letters for Eric and Aleks.

We discussed the fact that we need to start planning for the book drive this semester. After the next LA meeting we will do some planning.

T-Shirts are finalized but the Exec committee has not decided how to implement distribution and sales. We are not sure if we want to sell them when people pick up the cap and gowns or if we want to try and sell them before hand. This will require collecting money and mailing out the T-Shirts which will increase costs.

The Exec Committee also discussed creating handbooks for committee chairs. The handbooks should contain a sections on recruitment tips, how to write legislation, how to use the listserv, and committee responsibilities.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.