

GSA ASSEMBLY MEETING 05-04-2010

I. Agenda approved by consensus

II. Minutes approved by consensus

III. Guest announcements

A. Michael Young, VC Student Affairs, came to explain what the passage of the fee increases for graduate students meant. He thanked graduate students for passing the fee increases, during a budget crisis has been devastating to Student Affairs budget, and easing pressure on services across the division.

B. Dr. Elizabeth Downing, director of Student Health Services, indicated that SHS would be putting an end to medical note (although it may make exceptions for extraordinary cases)

IV. GSHIP voting

The campus has not yet reached a decision on systemwide, so GSA went forward voting on campuswide GSHIP.

A. Items without associated cost increase

- a. Increase NCAA: 30-2 - pass
- b. Rate cap of 7%: 32-0 pass
- c. Prorated cost for early entry: 32-0
- d. Prorate for international students: 31-1
- e. Reciprocity at other UCs: 31-0

B. Menu items with associated cost

- a. Increase alcohol and drug detox benefit from 3 days per plan year: 30-2 (no change)
- b. Amend outpatient emergency car copay: 17-16
- c. Amend plan year maximum of \$300,000 per condition: No change (22-10)
- d. Amend prescription drug plan benefit from \$8,000 to \$10,000: 22 out of 32 for no change

e. Parity for all mental health conditions: 30-3 (yes)

V. Announcements from GradDiv

A. Writing workshops on dissertation proposal writing workshops

B. Fulbright/Fulbright Hayes workshop in June

VI. Cosponsorships

A. Last meeting for cosponsorships is June, needs to come in before June. Need to have OSL account number

B. French/Italian conference (Chance and Destiny)

Vote to fund at \$300: 22-8

C. Chili cookoff

-May 21, starting at 5 p.m.

-Funded at \$150: 30-0

VII. Teaching Awards (VP Academic Affairs)

A. Academic Senate Graduate Teaching Awards

Congratulations to: Music Department: Denise Gill; Department of Molecular, Cellular, & Developmental Biology: Brian Janssen; Department of English: Joomi Kim; Department of Film & Media Studies: Nicole Starosielski

B. GSA Excellence in Teaching Awards will be announced at June meeting

C. Proposed bylaws amendment for GSA Teaching Awards-- will be voting on this at the next assembly meeting

VIII. UC Commission on the Future (VP Academic Affairs)

For more information, visit: <http://ucsbgsa.org/2010/04/uc-commission-on-the-future-funding-strategies-reviewed/>

IX. Happy Hour

On the Side (in IV), across from Chinos; 5-7 p.m. on Friday, May 7.