Graduate Students Association (GSA)
Assembly Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 6, 2007

Meeting

1. Approval of Agenda: Eva, Education, Monique, Bren
2. Introductions
3. Approval of Minutes from February: motion by Andy, Psych, second by Dominique, Bren
4. Information Items
   a. Ballot Language
   b. Officer Reports
      i. Amber: Diversity Forum on Saturday, April 21, 8am to 5pm. 1000 undergraduates will be here; we need graduate students to sign up to help—you can sign up for just part of the time; STEM disciplines program for undergraduates—contact Amber at studentaffairs@gsa.ucsb.edu
      ii. Ben: GSA Excellence in Teaching TA award nominations; professors, students, and staff can nominate; email academicaffairs@gsa.ucsb.edu with any questions; need 6 volunteers to be on the committee (about 10 hours of work in May)
      iii. The Elections Committee needs 3 volunteers to organize the elections; Matthew from Computer Science has volunteered
      iv. Come talk to the officers if you are interested in being an officer next year-talk to us by the next meeting
5. Action Items
   a. Co-sponsorships
      i. Women of Color Brunch–This Thursday from 11-2 at Corwin Pavilion; interdisciplinary, celebrating women of color, but lunch is free for everyone; requesting $300; Matthew motions to fund at $300, Amber seconds, with the caveat that it be made clear on the flyers that everyone is welcome and it's free, motion passes
6. Information Items
   a. UCSA Lobby Day debrief
   b. Grad Talk debrief
   c. GSHIP: The Executive Vice Chancellor, Gene Lucas, reminds us that there are financial consequences to increasing GSHIP, and that we should keep in mind that it costs other parts of the budget when we increase GSHIP. Ellie presented estimated costs for GSHIP menu items. We can't share these because they're proprietary.
7. Upcoming Events
   a. Bagel Hour- Wednesdays, 8:30-10:30am, GSA Lounge
   b. Next Assembly Meeting- Tuesday, April 3, 5-7:30
8. Vox Populi
9. Motion to adjourn by Dominque, Bren, Amber seconds