Graduate Students Association (GSA)
Assembly Meeting Meetings
Tuesday, January 8, 2008

Call to order: 6:02 pm

Motion to approve by Alice
2nd by Dominique

Nate Royal: Motion to approve minutes
Allison: second

Officer Reports:
Jeannette: getting out payments for the rebates
1dollar per person in department for attendance by reps

Dominique: trying to keep GSA open haven't gotten students hours yet
Jesse: UCSA governor's budget has a line item to increase the budget at least 7%
If you are interested in lobbying on behalf of the students: Applications due Jan 9th by 2pm. Jesse has forms.

UCSA Student Lobby Conference (SLC)

March 1-3, 2008 @ Radisson Hotel Sacramento
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: February 8, 2008
HOTEL RESERVATION DEADLINE: February 8, 2008
http://www.ucsa.org/about/LobbyCon2008/index.php

GSA has a standing fund that pays for this as a professional development and lobbying fund.

UCSA has just formed a UC funding task force to prevent future fee increases. Need students to volunteer to sit on that committee

Feb 21st: Deadline for student regent application. Regents allow two students to serve on regents and the first step is application that is due 2/8 in Chancellor Yang's office.

Amber: Student Affairs: G-ship Meetings start this week
-- Conference to host incoming CCtransfer students and encouraging them to move on to graduate school. OPPortunity to mentor the studentas and help them get acclimated.
-- Housing and residential life is accepting applications for RAs in San Clemente

Ben: We decided that the attendance policy will continue as last quarters rebate policy

Please be sure to fill all positions and attend meetings to ensure payments this quarter and moving forward: we would like to push for more involvement by assembly members and departments.

Carolyn: Campus Student leadership conference: Jan 25, free for all students

Jodi Anderson:
Monique Limon: GS Appreciation week fast approaching, we are hoping to get a grad student as a rep to sit on the committee. Designed and implemented by students and we'd like to put smiles back on the students faces. First meeting Fri noon to 1
Time commitment every other week and then 3 weeks prior you meet more frequently

Also hiring two grad diversity peers .25 partial fee remissions, there to help entire team implement and facilitate programs. You do not have to be an underrepresented student to work in the office.

Co sponsorship: 10th Annual Conference on Hispanic and Lusophone Literatures, Cultures, and Linguistics: Draws students from humanities and social sciences. Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of California, Santa Barbara. Feb. 23&22, 2008. $300 Requested by Ana from Spanish & Portuguese

Motion to sponsor for $300
And seconded.
Passed with no objections.

IT fee presentation:
Discussion was held to provide clarity and answer questions in regards to reasons behind IT fee initiative.
Ultimate Gold initiative: Expand GOLD to examine student services, customization, TA classes, umail, gnet etc.

A website will be forthcoming with all available information about the IT fee.
Requests were made for research and charts examining other cases at other campuses.
Students requested itemized breakdown of how the money will be used.

A discussion was also had on the grad student fee increase ballot language. Ben pointed out that an increase has not happened in over 10 years. Language should be changed to reflect include inflation.

A motion was made and seconded to send the slightly modified Ballot language to Grad Div and other parties to get the process moving. Passed with no objections

Meeting was adjourned.