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GSO EC Meeting Minutes 2023-2024
February 22, 2024
Meeting @ 3:30 PM - 4:20 PM

Will be present:

- President: Adithya Muralli
- Vice President: Stephanie Torres
- Treasurer: Disha Ghoshal
- Secretary: David O'Donoghue
- Speaker of the Senate: Caitlin Whittam
- Administrative Manager: Dylan Rehman

Called to order at 335.

Voting items:

- Approval of minutes: [EC_Meeting_Minutes_02-15-2024](#)
 - *The EC approved the minutes without revision.*

Points to be discussed

1. Regalia Loaner Program — \$471.60 for PhD and \$1864 for masters
 - a. *This above estimated cost of regalia loans is based on last year's cost. President Muralli advised that we set aside a maximum of \$3000 for this program.*
 - b. *No money is currently allocated for this program in the budget, so the Senate would have to reallocate money from elsewhere in the budget for this program. The EC discussed from where in the GSO budget the funding should be taken.*
 - c. *President Muralli emphasized that the program should be made available only to those who are in financial need.*
 - d. *The EC agreed to request the Senate to approve the reallocation of money from the Departmental Allocation line for this program.*
2. Alternative Spring Break Outreach request — \$600-\$800 per student (hoping to recruit 5-10 grad students)
 - a. *The organization Alternative Spring Break (ASB) requested that the GSO make funding available for graduate students interested in participating in*

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the ASB's travel program, which provides immersive service-learning opportunities for students.

- b. The organization would like the GSO to market the opportunity to graduate students and consider supporting interested graduate students financially.*
 - c. Mr. Rehman suggested adding a new line to the 2024-2025 GSO budget for this purpose.*
 - d. The EC agreed to not fund Alternative Spring Break trips this year, but to consider adding an allocation for this to the GSO Budget.*
3. Finalizing Election Timeline
- a. The Election Committee in their preliminary meeting established the following dates for the Election:
 - i. Call for Nomination - 02/27/2024
 - ii. Information Sessions
 1. GSO Town Hall - 03/01/2024
 2. GSO Senate Meeting - 03/05/2024
 3. Info Session (Lounge) - 03/21/2024
 4. Info Session (Lounge) - 03/29/2024
 - iii. Candidate Applications Due - 04/01/2024
 1. Extension for Applications (if needed) - 04/07/2024
 - iv. Candidate Introductions at Senate Meeting - 04/10/2024
 - v. Election Week - 04/19 - 04/26/2024
 1. *The EC approved of this timeline and the Election Committee would work with moving forward.*
4. March Senate Meeting Preparation
- a. Committee Reports
 - i. *Secretary O'Donoghue requested that committee chairs submit reports of committee activity to be added to the March Senate agenda.*
 - b. Student Activity Fee Increase Proposal
 - i. *President Adithya agreed to prepare the proposal and present it at the Senate meeting.*
1. Sprintax codes
- a. *Treasurer Ghoshal has received new SprintTax codes for the present tax-filing season. Speaker Whittam agreed to send them to graduate students.*

Updates

President:

- No major updates

Vice President:

- Venkata - Moved town hall to SAC 223 (expecting 7-20 students)

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- George - Working to move breakfast to Shore club
- Stephanie - aiding and supporting team for events in March and other events after

Treasurer:

- 37 on my desk; 17 on Sekhar; almost null on Mahsa/Akshay:8. The listed numbers are from Tuesday, might be some alterations in two days, but not too much
- Send out reach-out email to clubs
- We got Sprintax code

Secretary:

- First (Preliminary) Elections Committee Meeting
 - Drafted Call for Nominations
 - Established Timeline and Goals for Semester

Speaker:

- Gathering DTA applications

Meeting Adjourned at 4:28pm