

Graduate and Professional Student Council
Tuesday, March 22, 2016
7:30 PM
Student Services Building #150

Minutes

- I. Call Meeting to Order, Sign-in (7:38 PM)
- II. Approval of Agenda and Minutes (Minutes approved)
- III. Old Business (no old business)
- IV. New Business (There was a discussion of the upcoming election process. Amanda will be leading this effort. April 19 will be election day. Officers described their roles.)
- V. Officer & Committee Reports
 - A. VP for Graduate School Affairs, Amanda Barnard
 - a. Graduate Council Update (no report)
 - b. Program Prioritization Committee Update (no report)
 - B. VP for Administrative Affairs, Willie Lyles III
 - a. Budget Update (Travel Reimbursement: \$8,953; Events: \$4,656; Charitable: \$2,879)
 - b. Event Funding Request (no event request were considered)
 - c. Research Awards (Applications are due on Friday, March 25. This year, winners will be honored during the University's award ceremony. The FAB will meet on April 9 to consider applications and winners notified on April 11.)
 - C. President, Brandon Woudenberg
 - a. Chancellor's Planning & Budget Advisory Committee Update (Brandon encouraged members to talk with their departments about priorities in light of the budget crisis. Brandon also updated us on the committee's charge to get ahead of the budget crisis so we are not reacting to the worst case scenario. They committee will meet every two weeks. Updates will be forthcoming via email.)
 - b. VC inclusion and Excellence Update (Brandon also spoke with the Chancellor about the lack of meetings of the Affirmative Action Committee. A meeting on this topic is forthcoming. The Chancellor also committed to prioritizing the Its On Us Task Force and will be meeting with them in the coming weeks.)

c. Town Hall (Information was disseminated via email.)

VI. Roundtable Discussion, Announcements (Further discussions on collective actions re: the budget crisis are forthcoming.)

VII. Adjournment