

**Graduate Student Association  
Senate Meeting Agenda  
October 25, 2019**

1. Welcome

a. Lunch

b. Attendance

- Alec Hartman, GSA
- Tyler Johnson, GSA
- Marquise Griffin, GSA
- Emily Mills, OGSL
- Hannah Chalufour, OGSL
- Mason Marek, Law Student Association
- James Hadaway, GEA
- Margaret Summerfield, GPA
- Steven Highland, GMA
- Endaisia Love, GSCA
- Ekin Uyar, GISA
- Kelly Sankowski, STM
- Lindsey Landwehrle, GNA
- Vicente Munoz Reja Alonso, GASA

## 2. Presentation from Claire Johnson Allen of BC's Women's Center

- Women's center primarily focuses on undergraduate student body, but welcomes students of all academic levels to utilize their space and resources
  - Contact Claire for any potential ideas for cross-collaboration or concerns about resources for graduate students!
  - SANet hotline is a 24/7 hotline available to anyone in the BC community with trained professionals willing to speak with students about sexual assault and mental health concerns or anything related to Title IX issues
    - o Hotline number on the back of all Eagle IDs
  - Heal support group open to survivors
    - o One specific section open to graduate students and undergraduate upperclassmen
    - o Run through University Counselling Services
  - Love Your Body Week (November 4th-8th)
    - Discussion about Southeast Asian identities
    - Women's Summit February 1st, 2020
  - Women's Center Care Week March 2020
    - Sexual Misconduct prevention and awareness
    - Senate advocate hotline manned by graduate students
    - Bystander intervention program
- Run through the women's center
- Providing complimentary women's sanitary items throughout several locations across the university campus
- Claire's office is located in Maloney 441

## 3. GSA Executive Board Updates

### a. Executive Director Updates

- GSA Exec Board with the BC Law Student Association
- Mason Marek from the LSA will be representing graduate students monthly on the Provost Advisory Council
  - Opportunity for faculty and students to voice complaints about issues on campus
- Parking Advisory meeting on 10/24
  - Discussed resources for students that demonstrate financial

need

- GSA Exec Board met with Massachusetts Graduate Federation
- Discussed how each organization is financed/funded, conference grants
- Potential collaborative social programming events
- Social activism and legislation affecting Boston area graduate students
- Monday 10/28 meeting with Joy Moore, VP of Student Affairs
- Creating a senate Google Drive to share flyers, information, meeting notes, etc.

#### b. Director of Programming Updates

- Established a GSA programming calendar through spring semester of 2020
- Taco Tuesday 1st of every month
  - Seeking cosponsorship for future events
  - GEA will be providing sponsorship for next event on Tuesday November 5th
- Apple Picking Event 10/26/19 at Shelburne Farms
- Future collaboration with Outdoor Adventure
  - Potential day long hiking trips
  - Also planning multi day camping trip that will likely occur in the spring
- Week of April 13th 2020 will be graduate student appreciation week
- Student reached out about potential Speed Dating event in the future
  - Late January or early February networking event

#### c. Director of Finance Updates

- Thank you to the treasurers for great work so far this semester following guidelines when submitting paperwork
- BC will no longer be reimbursing students for stay at Air BnB's
- Conference grants

### 4. OGSL Updates

#### a. Showcasing the new website

- New OGSL video! Check it out!

- Campus life section showcasing health & wellness sources, support services, etc.
- Be sure all senate leaders submit bios and headshots if they have not already done so
- What's Happening At BC? Section to showcase graduate student events across campus
- Submit events for your specific organization to promote on the website's event calendar

#### 5. Review of GSA Constitution Amendments and vote

- Disciplinary committee portion review

#### 6. Open Space for Discussion

##### a. Updates/ questions from any members of the Senate

##### -GPA

-Apple picking successful

-Game night at Night Moves Cafe in Brookline,  
10/26

##### -GSSW

-Large social at beginning of October

-Part time focus groups and interfaith related events in the future

-Events directed towards students with families

##### -GMA

-Designed Patagonia sweaters open for purchase on eMarket

-Halloween party tonight Cask n' Flagon

##### -Law Students

-Halloween party tonight at Game On in Fenway

-Exploring collaborations with some local law firms

-Potentially partnering with other Jesuit institutions

to promote law school interests and improve national rankings

- GNA

- Sending groups to Dominican Republic, Guatemala, and Haiti

- Volunteer opportunity potentially now located in Jamaica

-Yoga event at rec plex center next Friday November 1st

-\$25 a ticket, includes yoga class and food/drink

b. Ideas for Collaboration

-GSA's programming calendar will be adding to Google Drive

Next Senate meeting: Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:30-11am featuring a guest presentation from the Office of Health Promotion