AGENDA FOR THE EIGHTH GA MEETING OF 2016-2017

Wednesday, February 08, 2017
6:00-8:50 pm

I. Food is served 6:00 pm

II. Committee Meetings 6:00 – 6:30 pm
Ben Franklin room

III. Council Meetings:
Professional Council: Ben Franklin room
Research Council: Bishop White room

IV. General Assembly Meeting begins 7:30 pm

V. Updates 7:30 – 7:35 pm
   a. G12 Summit
      • Second part of the summit last week
      • Focus was on policy issues
      • Penn Compact, Equity and Access,
      • A resolution was passed directing the University
        Administration to pass a Diversity office to work on bias
        reporting issues,
   b. Exec meeting with President Gutmann
      • Updated her on GAPSA
      • Asked for advice
   c. Working Groups
      • We are convening a working group to study best financial
        practices across GAPSA
      • Focusing on how GAPSA spends money on internal vs
        external functions
   d. Slack notification
      • Is currently set up so you can select your school
      • Email GAPSA President if you have any questions
      • Can be used for internal GAPSA communications and
        collaborations
      • All-important announcements will still be sent out over email
   e. International Affairs
      • ISSS is organizing a session tomorrow on student visas
regarding the recent immigration
• GSC Room 305 at 4pm

VI. Approval of letter against immigration bans 7:35 – 7:40 pm
a. Derives from University motto that “Laws without Morals” are useless
b. Refer to letter on website
c. GAPSA Exec endorsed
d. Motion to have GA endorse
   • Second
   • Passed
e. Questions: Can we promote this letter more to get more signatures?
   • How would we do this?
     • Promote through Newsletter, send through email
       • That was already done

VII. Finance 7:40 – 8:15 pm
a. Announcements
   • Round 3 is open SGEF, SYNERGY
   • Discretionary/GAP is rolling
b. Carryover release
   • $59,258 Total
   • Awards will cover 90% of votes
   • Awards
     • Refer to presentation online
   • Motion to release
     • Second
     • Debate
     • Motion to close
       • Second
       • Passes with 2/3 vote
c. Discretionary applications
   • Balance is $6,861
   • Motion to suspend and adopt procedures
     • Second
     • Passes
   • SCRWP
     • Mission is to promote the anti racist agenda on campus
     • Money is being requested for a series of events
       • Refer to presentation
       • Requisition $1,844
     • Why should GAPSA fund?
       • Trump
       • SCRWP are free and open to everyone
       • They advertise all over campus
       • In previous events, 247 attendees with about
$7 per attendee

- Question
  - Where/when are these events happening?
    - Some have happened, some have not
- Finance recommendation
  - Pros
    - High diversity
    - High impact
    - Fiscally responsible
  - Cons
    - None
- Recommended
  - Fund in full
- Comments
  - Have they already spent this money?
    - Some of it, money if fungible and we can try to ask them what they have spent so far
- Debate
  - Motion to fund in full
    - passed
  - Motion to fund for $2250
  - Motion to close
    - Second

VIII. GAPSA Renewal: Current state & mess formulation 8:15 – 8:50 pm

a. Individual group sessions
  - Five groups of about 10 each
  - Answered six questions
    - What is the Penn experience?
    - What will GAPSA become if we keep the status quo?
    - How do you measure the success of GAPSA?
    - What is wrong with GAPSA?
    - How does GAPSA add value to students’ experience?
    - How do you define GAPSA’s contribution to Penn?
  - Refer to DYNM 645 Final Paper for results

b. Group reports
  - Refer to DYNM 645 Final Paper for results

IX. Happy Hour: 8:50 – 11:00 pm

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