ASSEMBLY MINUTES

UCSB GSA ASSEMBLY

Tuesday, March 3, 2008
6-7:30 p.m., GSA Lounge

Open Meeting 6:06 By Amber Approval of Agenda, Moved and seconded Approval of Minutes (February 3, 2009) Moved, Seconded	Action

Announcements from Graduate Division
Carolyn Buford.-Campus awards are open, nominate someone.
Christian- Diversity recruitment update. The area that was diversity recruitment is being remodeled and be utilized for diversity peers as an open space for whatever reason.

Vox Populi
Statements, announcements, inquires from Assembly floor

Ellie Shermer - Has anyone scene my keys?

GSA Co-Sponsorships

No co- sponsorships

Executive Officer Reports

VPIE: Sustainability committee is going well. Surveys will come out about recycling system.

VPBF: Travel Grants are available online some clarifications. Keep in mind first come first serve you will be paid after confirmation that you attended and presented at the conference. When you submit forms you will get a confirmation. Masters students can apply.

An email will go out concerning an OSL number for campus organizations for the departmental rebate.

VP Communications: Elections are open please apply online they are due March 22nd.

VPAA: No reports

VPGSA: Elections committee will vote on ballot initiatives before they go out. Will be discussing health care and is keeping track of TA losses due to budget cutes.

VPEA: Student Lobby Con Feb 28 thru March 2 went well Adam, Amber, and Jesse participated. Legislators were a little difficult. Were lobbying on behalf of the College Affordability Act. There was a press conference the death of the master plan, clips can be found on NBC. Next regents meetings March 17-19 at UC Riverside.

President: Fili won the UCSA Graduate organizer of the year. Amber's cell phone got out during the last email blast. Please don't use it. College of letters and sciences wants to charge a technology fee of $2.50 per unit. There will be a closed session.

Budget committee is now composed of 3 undergrad and 1 grad co chair. Hoping for stimulus funds soon there is a 4-8 million dollar delta. Contracts may go unfunded.

Reaffirmations

Parking lock in fee. Robert Defendini, Director of Parking Services. $5.00 per quarter see sheet that was handed out. Reaffirmation every 2 yrs. Moved and Seconded

SMERF-Not here but Ellie mentioned that SMERF is a fund used for emergency medical needs. A great program that does get used often. Moved and Seconded.

GSA Committee Representatives
Graduate Student Health Insurance Plan (GSHIP) – Review of Process and Procedure
Ellie Shermer (Graduate Student Representative), Stephen Gosnell (VPSA)
Elizabeth Downing, M.D., Student Health Services Director

Closed session to discuss Grad Students funding. A new letter will be drafted by Amber and sent to Dean Morrison

Next Assembly meeting: Tuesday, April 7th

Happy Hour: Friday, March 6th…At the elephant bar, 5 pm.

Stress test

GSAW April 20th-24th, Also Gaucho Days

Meeting adjourned 7:58