

Graduate Student Assembly (GSA)

Notes from February 1, 2022 | 7:00 p.m. | Zoom

CALL TO ORDER 7:01pm

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES 7:03pm

The minutes approved by the majority.

OPEN FORUM

-Lisa Rohde (Pro Dev)

-student research days are being held in April 11 and 12. You can sign up: <https://go.unl.edu/rd2022>

-They also need judges for undergrad posters: Email Lisa (lrohde2@unl.edu) or there will be a link in the email tomorrow.

-Preparing Future Faculty: Grad chairs nominate scholars so reach out to them if you are interested.

-Workshops are happening: <https://go.unl.edu/gradevents>

-The office of grad studies does consultations of all types. Just reach out to them: <https://go.unl.edu/consult>

-You can ask them to do workshops for your department or a group. It is free. Just ask at least 2 weeks to a month ahead of time. Topics: teaching, work life balance, jobs...

President Rodene (gsa@unl.edu)

-Donesky and him met with Chancellor Green last week.

-first time he had met with grad students in 6 years

-want to have a meeting with the chancellor's office once a semester.

-talked to him about how ASUN and GSA relate

Executive Vice President Donesky (vicepresidentgsa@unl.edu)

- Watch the Daily Nebraskan tomorrow for an announcement regarding N95 or equivalent masks for students. Should be available in your department or from graduate studies.

-Feedback on campus master plan: <https://www.unlmasterplan.com/open-house>

-Town hall date of March 31st works for all panelists. Any concerns from the GSA? no

Vice President of Student Affairs Mowat (vpstudentaffairsgsa@unl.edu)

-Sent emails to external committee reps

-If you are on an external committee and didn't get an email reach out to her.

-Need to have responses in the next week

-If you have a question or comment about external committees she will put a zoom link in a chat that you can join as soon as the meeting is adjourned. <https://unl.zoom.us/j/99450572650>

Vice President of Representation Jemkur (vrepresentationgsa@unl.edu)

-Add your department to your name.

Vice President of Finance Herzfeld (vpfinancegsa@unl.edu)

-Two townhalls are being held by the fee allocations committee. Fund A townhall on February 24th and Fund B townhall on February 28th.

-If you are passionate about fees apply by Feb 11 to run for the committee. We would like to have more representation.

-Fee allocation committee bylaws: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PcjKYDyxG1TPpM7SMsE-KajsyD6zuzkV8QdAc_Ym5pU/edit

-for next year run here: <https://asun.unl.edu/asun-candidate-filing-form>

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic affairs (academicaffairsgsa@unl.edu)

-Donesky and team worked with her to create a presentation about big 10 and stipend

-Pro Dev and academic affairs are making a podcast. They will bring more information next meeting.

-stipends link from another university to compare universities: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf5ELaRcYRfYII_o92uYFMpXiInGmgIzW7-SeTeCOXVRg8wLw/viewform

-Donesky-presentation: Big 10 minimum stipends.

-based on publicly available information.

-question: you can share information? Yes

-What is this based on? It is based off only minimums.

-Why are we only 0.49 FTE? It may be due to health care and such, have time to do studies. Labor law: since it is for “school” they can’t really do anything. We do want to work on making sure people are feel they can bring up concerns though. It is hard to figure out the line between work and school.

-Do you know what the research rank of the schools are? No, he will look into it.

-Alan Davis: He says that in his music department a group has signed a pack with other R1 institutions they you couldn’t work more than a certain about of hours. So he is kept at 16.9-20 hours due to tax and for international students. Andrew- I think that is just for internal to the university work not external. I will be asking about this.

David Lieberman- Are these minimums actually minimums? Andrew- sorta, you can’t have tuition remission under that payment.

Communications (communicationgsa@unl.edu)

- no report

D&I (diversityinclusiongsa@unl.edu)

-disability: Still collecting information, please fill this out: https://ssp.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eRkpl8CsF5cx62G

GTAP (gtap@unl.edu)

- Will be writing up legislation for next meeting. Due to covid travel has been difficult.
- Posting Summer awards in about a week. You have until march 31st to apply.

Pro Dev (prodev@unl.edu, spgp@unl.edu)

- Feb 8- career fair
- To work on CV reach out to grad studies
- Pro Dev committee is working on creating a map a tree of who to talk to about pro dev stuff
- flier next month about events that are happening
- running pro dev office hours. Reach out to them with any questions.
- If other committees want to be part of the pro dev office hours they can join.

Quality of Life (qualityoflifegsa@unl.edu)

- no report

Social

- Feb 4th the university will be changing policy
- if you have a department and you want food, open it to all grad students and we can get you food.

External Committee Reports

- No External Committee reports

NEW BUSINESS

GSA Bill #5-Department GSAs to obtain stipend information from departments/programs.
Friendly amendment: add in to send the information to the academic affairs email:
academicaffairsgsa@unl.edu

GSA Bill #5 Passed 8:24pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm