

1. GSA President Tanja Aho calls the meeting to order at 6:38pm.

2. Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve the minutes from the December 6, 2017 Senate Meeting
 - Motion: Community Health & Health Behavior
 - Second: Anthropology
 - In favor: 69; Oppose: 0; Abstain: 1
 - Motion passes

3. Announcements

- Kyle Murphy, SBI Treasurer, presents on the efforts toward an SBI food pantry, as well as the availability of SBI programming grants. He mentions that programming grants are due next Friday, February 16th, while the food pantry will be seeking SBI board approval in mid-March and is currently scheduled for opening in May.

4. Report of the President

- Tanja mentions that she has been working with the undergraduate Student Association and the office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion to develop a campus diversity survey, which should be going out soon.
- Tanja announces an upcoming diversity summit on campus, but cautions it may be delayed due to staff changes.

5. Report of the Vice President

- There is no report.

6. Report of the Treasurer

- Tanja announces that due to graduation, the Treasurer seat has been vacated.
- Funding Account Balances:
 - Special Activity: \$15,000, adjusted from \$18,000.00, to start, \$1,200.00 allocated this month, \$11,425.00 remaining
 - Interdepartmental Activity: \$2,000.00 to start, \$0.00 allocated this month, \$1,750.00 remaining
 - Symposia: \$15,000.00 to start, \$1,240.00 allocated this month, \$10,960.00 remaining
 - Scholarly Publication: \$5,000, adjusted from \$9,000.00, to start, \$0.00 allocated this month, \$1,000.00 remaining
 - Community Outreach: \$2,000 to start, \$0.00 allocated this month, \$1,750.00 remaining
 - Conferences:
 - 21 requests totaling \$7,513.57 requested for January, 21 applications approved for \$7,513.57
 - 44 requests for \$13,733.00 requested for February, 43 applications approved for \$13,533.00
 - Beginning Balance: \$132,000.00 to start; Remaining Balance \$57,049.81

7. Old Business

- No old business.

8. New Business

- Funding Requests
 - A representative from Romance Languages and Literatures presents on their symposium.
 - Requested/Recommended: \$1,240.00
 - A representative from CSSA presents on their Spring Festival Gala special activity.
 - Requested/Recommended: \$1,200.00
 - Motion to approve both funding requests as a block at the recommended amounts
 - Motion: Community Health & Health Behavior
 - Second: Pathology and Anatomy
 - In favor: 62; Oppose: 5; Abstain: 3
 - Motion passes
- Election Committee Update
 - Election Committee Chair Ariel Noffke announces that there are minor changes to the Election Code in progress, and that students running for positions should contact her about those changes. Additionally, candidate petition packets have been made available in the GSA office. They are due by Monday, March 5th at 4:30pm.
- Election of Treasurer
 - Tilottama is thanked for her service.
 - The floor is opened for nominations for the role of Treasurer for the remainder of the 2017-2018 academic year. After some silence, Tanja announces that she would like to nominate Jen Schechter for the position. Jen accepts the nomination. A vote follows.
 - For the election of Jen Schechter as GSA Treasurer
 - In favor: 58; Abstain: 13
 - Jen is elected.

9. Roll Call and Adjournment

- Students are reminded to please make sure to turn in their voting cards and clickers before leaving in order to be counted for Roll Call.

- Motion to Adjourn at 7:06pm
 - Motion: Biological Sciences
 - Second: Materials Design and Innovation
 - In favor: 66; Oppose: 0; Abstain: 1
 - Motion passes