

# SU Graduate Student Council Assembly Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 20, 2017 - 4:30 p.m., Perdue Hall 156

## In Attendance

Brittany Kesteven, President  
Aliyah Gibson, Vice President  
Siena Manoogian, Treasurer  
Eric Spangler, Secretary  
Erik Gaskill, Sustainability Coordinator  
Abigail Hastings, Social Coordinator  
Knute Kraus, Public Relations Coordinator

Cody Wehlan, Assembly Member  
Jeremy Gencavage, Assembly Member  
Amelia Lawrence, Assembly Member  
Kacie Hart, Assembly Member  
Andrew Garner, Assembly Member

I. Call to Order: 4:33 p.m.

## II. President's Updates [Brittany Kesteven]

### *a. Consortium Coordinating Committee Meeting Update*

i. Attended by Brittany Kesteven

ii. A meeting of the heads of each governing body on campus. Meeting topics included:

1. Police Chief Lashley voicing safety concerns of students walking on crosswalks.
2. IT Department, faculty will be getting PC replacements for upcoming year.
3. Blackwell Library will become available for departments in need of more space.
4. Wellness Committee would like to spread the word for Lunch & Learns

### *b. Graduate Council Meeting Update*

i. Attended by Brittany. Topics included:

1. Graduate Library Services voiced how it would like graduate students to use the new Academic Commons space more frequently, for research, studying & other needs.

- ii. GSC showed interest in bringing in a librarian as guest speaker for an Assembly Meeting
- iii. Also note that each Graduate Program has its own librarian that can be contacted for help anytime!
- iv. Biology department Grad Students hosted an event at Specific Gravity, explaining their research to anyone in attendance over food and drinks. Great turnout!
- v. Next meeting is on December 12, 2017 at Specific Gravity!

c. *Presidential Search Committee Update*

- i. Attended by Brittany Kesteven, Representative for Graduate Students
- ii. Committee purpose is to narrow down applicants during search for new SU President. First Meeting will be on December 6, 2017.
- iii. **We ask that each Assembly & Executive Board member contributes 1 attribute that would be beneficial in the new president**

- 1. Please email your response to Brittany Kesteven at [gsc@gulls.salisbury.edu](mailto:gsc@gulls.salisbury.edu)

d. *Diversity & Inclusion Survey Update*

- i. Essay to receive survey grant will be submitted by December 1<sup>st</sup>
- ii. **Please send questions/ideas involving survey,** to [gsc@gulls.salisbury.edu](mailto:gsc@gulls.salisbury.edu)

Example questions include:

- 1. What are some weaknesses in SU's communication?
- 2. What is something your program needs?

### III. Vice President's Notes [Aliyah Gibson]

a. *Attended Diversity & Inclusion Meeting*

b. *Town Gown Meeting Updates (attended by Aliyah Gibson)*

- i. New Economic Development & Entrepreneurship Center
  - 1. Will be located in Downtown Salisbury.
  - 2. Professional business space, sponsored by the Perdue School of Business.

#### IV. Treasurer's Notes [Siena Manoogian]

##### *a. Career Services Resume Workshop*

###### *i. Registration REQUIRED!*

1. Register via email, reply to the Career Services email that was sent out by our Treasurer Siena Manoogian.

###### *ii. Official Dates and Times:*

1. Monday, November 27, 2017 3-4 p.m.
2. Wednesday November 29, 2017, 4-5 p.m.
3. Thursday November 30, 2017 4-5 p.m.

- a. If you are unable to attend these session time slots, video recording may be requested via email to Siena Manoogian at [swcareer3@salisbury.edu](mailto:swcareer3@salisbury.edu)

##### *b. Alumni Meeting*

###### *i. Attended by Siena Manoogian*

###### *ii. Location: Academic Commons Fourth Floor Board Room*

###### *iii. Topics of Discussion:*

1. What is GSC currently involved in?
2. How can Post Grad graduate students stay involved and share experiences about their career field with current graduate students?
3. Upon graduation, Alumni Benefit Card can be requested for free @ <https://webapps.salisbury.edu/alumni/forms/BenefitCard/>
4. *Boston Marathon qualifier race*
  - a. Will be held in Downtown Salisbury, April 2018
5. *Upcoming Maryland Folk Festival* – being held in Downtown Salisbury in the Fall of 2018
  - a. more than 100,000 people expected to be in attendance
6. Graduate “Year Book”

- a. SGA wants to create a list of graduates and their information from the past 5 years.

## V. Sustainability Coordinator's Notes [Erik Gaskill]

- a. *Sustainability Committee Meeting* November 10, 2017
  - i. Committee met to vote to approve or decline 17 campus sustainability projects.
- b. *Recycle Madness*
  - i. GSC officially wins first place prize (\$500) with just under 3000 pounds of recycling!

## VI. Social Coordinator's Notes [Abigail Hasting]

- a. *Coffee & Donut Hour*
  - i. GSC will provide coffee & donuts in the Graduate Commons during Wednesday 12/6 & Thursday 12/7. Times will be TBA.
- b. *Holiday Social Hour*
  - i. Hosted by EVO Craft Brewery, Happy Hour 4-7p.m., at high-tops in the main entrance room (look for the balloons!) on Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>.
- c. *Last Push Through Finals*
  - i. GSC will be leaving Inspiration Quotes/Treats during week prior to final exams.
    - 1. If anyone has ideas for motivating grad students, or wants to help out with arrangements, Please email  
[gsc@gulls.salisbury.edu](mailto:gsc@gulls.salisbury.edu)

## VII. Upcoming Events/Save the Date

- a. Holiday Social Hour – Tuesday, November 28, 4:00-7:00 p.m. @ EVO (main lobby)
- b. **Final GSC Assembly Meeting of Semester – Monday, December 4, 2017 @ 4:30-5:15pm in Perdue 156**
- c. GRE Information Session – Tuesday, December 5, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. in Henson 103
- d. Coffee & Donut Hour – Wednesday, December 6 & Thursday, December 7 in Graduate Commons @ times TBA

VIII. Meeting Adjourned: 5:03 p.m.