

**1<sup>st</sup> GSC Meeting**  
**September 4, 2012**

- 1. Welcome**
  - a. Representation from Education, MBA, Biology and CADR**
- 2. Orientation Wrap Up**
  - a. General**
    - i. Don't do it during move in!**
  - b. GA**
    - i. Learned a lot, but could have been shortened.**
    - ii. A lot of stuff felt irrelevant if you have been in college**
    - iii. REALLY like Brian Lind**
    - iv. Didn't seem as cohesive as it could have been. – Repetitive (even with what we learn in our GA-ships) (ie. FERPA)**
    - v. Maybe give more specifics for what they want presenters to speak about**
    - vi. Very student affairs based**
    - vii. Not specific enough with assistantships... seemed generalized**
      - 1. Don't need time management advice, etc.**
    - viii. Do a breakout by department – TAs, GAs, RAs, etc.**
    - ix. Some activities had too many people – Ed's Agree, Disagree activity wasn't size appropriate.**
- 3. Leadership positions open**
  - a. Public Relations Coordinator**
- 4. Grad Recruiting Fair**
  - a. Plan for next year?**
  - b. Basic SU one?**
    - i. Do we bring in other programs?**
      - 1. We might be too far behind for bringing in new schools.**

2. This semester SU – Next semester target Juniors and do a bigger one.
  - a. Besides schools – bring in GRE info, etc.
  - b. How to apply for grad school vs. Grad Fair
3. What do we want from the fair - Have to determine that before we determine other schools or not.
  - a. Goal – Educate students on options and help them to consider doing graduate school
  - b. If we are trying to seniors – is fall going to work?
  - c. Do we want non-SU undergrads to be able to attend?
  - d. Do we want school representatives or a table of brochures?
4. Need logistical information
  - a. Invite schools that have complimentary programs
  - b. How do we get more students to come? – Brainstorm
    - i. Have professors tell students we have Grad Programs
    - ii. Go through advisors
5. Homecoming?
  - a. Timing issue
  - b. Alumni area – No non-alumni, plus it costs money
  - c. Do grad students go to games? Is there motivation for them to go?
    - i. Lubi will work on it.
    - ii. Bonding is important
      1. Doesn't have to be at a game
    - iii. Is it plausible to hold a "Grad Student Tailgate" ?
    - iv. Block of seats?
    - v. After game hang out?
    - vi. How do we get grad students to come out?

1. Facebook page
2. Lubi will need help! Anyone willing to help with social things?

## 6. GA Stipends

- a. Base pay - \$5000 a year, Highest is \$6500 a semester
- b. Cannot say “Hey, they’re getting more than you” – has to be more like “your time is worth more money”
- c. Unionizing is our bargaining chip.
- d. Can they take away tuition remission?
- e. Need to do research on their GA policies
- f. Using GAs to replace full time staff
- g. Look at rental prices – can you afford to live here on just a GA salary?
- h. Look at schools of all sizes for frame of references
- i. Where does the extra money come from?
  - i. Phone-a-thon – can specify a place
  - ii. Fundraising
- j. Need to narrow down what we want
  - i. Raise the minimum
  - ii. Raise the range
- k. Everyone take a school
  - i. Bloomsburg - Kelsey
  - ii. Dartmouth – Lubi
  - iii. Millersville – Jered
  - iv. NC – Wilmington – Varnice
  - v. Iowa – Amy
  - vi. Sonoma – Kyle
  - vii. Southeast Missouri – Lauren
  - viii. Oswego – Julia
  - ix. Plattsburgh – Telecia
  - x. Fredonia - Adam

**7. Committees**

**a. Research – Adam?**

**b. Social – Lubi**

**i. Make sure people know where they are.**

**ii. Football game on the 13<sup>th</sup>, Good Beer Festival on the 14<sup>th</sup>**

**iii. Similar to commuter connections coffee hour – before classes**

**c. Public Relations**

**8. How do we get to students?**

**a. Give out a flyer to grad students through classes**

**i. Have a class representative who is our contact person**

**b. Posters**

**c. Emailing program directors, speaking in classes**

**9. Provost Meetings**

**a. Sept 20<sup>th</sup> – future of the graduate programs**