



◆ **GSA Meeting Agenda**
Date: December 5, 2018

1. Welcome/Call to order at 5:03 PM

Hadley Bryan	Julia Thayer	Ashley Marquardt	Tyree Wilson
Jenny Afkinich	Lauren McCarthy	Kyungwan Hong	Cherrylynn Williams
Basant Motawi	McKayla Mickle	Quinton Banks	Amanda Labuza
Heather Mutchie	Rachel Larsen	Dante Johnson	Amy Defnet
Chrissy Carney	Talia Guardia	Emily Smith	Gillian Mbambo

Review minutes of previous meeting - Motion: A. Labuza, J. Thayer

2. Reports

a. President

i. Announcements

1. Discussion with Rebecca and Red- USMSC (University of Maryland Student Council) would like to know UMB graduate students' experiences and opinions on collective bargaining, treatment as employees, availability of courses required for degree, health insurance availability, and balance of employment/ coursework/ TA duties

- a. Next USMSC meeting is Sunday 12/9- Email Red

[\(\[umb.usga.president@gmail.com\]\(mailto:umb.usga.president@gmail.com\)\)](mailto:umb.usga.president@gmail.com) or Rebecca

[\(\[umb.usga.treasurer@gmail.com\]\(mailto:umb.usga.treasurer@gmail.com\)\)](mailto:umb.usga.treasurer@gmail.com) with any comments or thoughts for them to address at the meeting.

- b. Three topics were brought up for discussion:

- i. Thoughts on health insurance (potentially combining with UMBC for a larger pool?)
- ii. Do we feel like we are required to take credits that are not important/necessary for our degrees?
- iii. Opinions on collective bargaining (the ability to negotiate for our rights to time off, etc.). This bill will potentially be proposed again this year.

2. Link for multicultural center survey:
<https://baseline.campuslabs.com/umaryland/multiculturalfall2018>
- ii. Meet & Confer Committee
 1. No announcements
- b. Vice President
 - i. Announcements
 - ii. Social Activities Committee
 1. GSA Tacky Sweater Social is Fri. Dec. 7th at 6pm at Pickles Pub.
-Need help with Social Act. Cmte. to post flyers where appropriate
on-campus
 - iii. USGA Announcements
 1. Yield to Megan or Emily Smith for updates.
- c. Treasurer
 - i. Account
 1. Current Balance: \$3,709.94
 2. Changes to Account Management - will start beginning of year
 - a. Requirements for student group funding and events
 - i. Food Approval Form (for on campus food only)
 - ii. Sign in sheet (no minimum # of attendees)
 - iii. Original Receipt
 - iv. Wofoo form - filled out by treasurer after the above have
been received
 - b. Checks will only be issued once/month (on day of GSA meetings).
Everything must be submitted 1 week prior to that.
 - c. In the process of making a website to detail student group funding
and contain the necessary forms
 - ii. Finance Committee:
 1. Next Due Date: January 15th
 2. Reminders: Make sure applications are COMPLETE and all in one file.

They need their abstract, CV, Receipts, and the application. Make sure they are putting all of their expenses on the application - not just the ones they need funded. Make sure they know to email the application to me.

iii. Student Group Funding:

1. Budgeted for \$900/semester. Funding is on a reimbursement basis and all receipts must be handed over within one month of the date on the receipt.
2. Budget requests MUST be submitted 1 week prior to GSA meetings so they can be emailed out to the GSA body.

d. Secretary

i. Announcements

1. The GRC keynote speaker will be John Tejjaro
2. GRC registration will officially open next semester. Anyone who has already registered with the 2018 forms will still be taken into account

e. Grad Council rep

i. Announcements

ii. U of M grad council

iii. Professional Development Committee

1. Professional Development Awardee for Fall 2018 is Yanfeng Xu

f. PR

i. Announcements

1. Grad Gazette will go out this Friday, December 7th.

ii. Volunteer

1. No longer doing the cold weather clothing drive so that we can do more volunteer events that don't coincide with other groups
2. Blanket making for Children's hospital
 - a. 19th/20th for event date
3. BARCs outdoor cleanup volunteer group
 - a. Need supplies

- g. Meyerhoff
 - i. No updates
- h. NOVA
 - i. Last bingo event is on Dec 11th
 - ii. Holiday party will be on Dec 14th
- 3. Old Business:
 - a. Status of Centennial Celebration
 - i. Megan will be sending out a survey to all the reps to get a consensus on time of day/year, food ideas, etc for this event.
- 4. New Business:
 - a. None
- 5. Upcoming Events:
 - a. GSA Tacky Sweater Social is Fri. Dec. 7th at 6pm at Pickles Pub
- 6. Other Business/Announcements:
 - a. PGSA is having winter clothing drive. Boxes will be set up in SMC and HSF building lobbies. Will be accepting clothes, gloves, etc.

Date of next meeting: Feb 6, 2019

Motion to adjourn: J. Thayer, T. Wilson