

❖ **GSA Meeting Agenda**
Date: March 4th, 2015



1. Welcome/Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 5:08pm. 6/6 executive board members in attendance plus 17 reps (representing 12 programs and 2 supported groups):

Representative	Program	Representative	Program	Executives	Position
courtney chandler	biochem	joe vandigo	phsr	geoffrey heinzl	President
devin sharp	biochem	sarah rudzinskas	pin	jon van ryzin	Vice President
janelle geist	biochem	amanda labuza	pin/nova	christina ross	Treasurer
christy perry	epi/hgen	ozell sanders	prs/MH	amber mueller	Secretary
lindsay croft	epi/hgen	brandy garzel	psc	kendra edwards	Public Relations
rasheeda johnson	gero	sally hageman	sowk	christy gaines	Graduate Council
nehal mehta	medt	susan klumpner	sowk		
chelsea rapp	mmi	kshama doshi	tox		
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2. Review minutes of previous meeting. Motion to approve February minutes by A. Labuza. Seconded by O. Sanders.

3. Reports

a. President

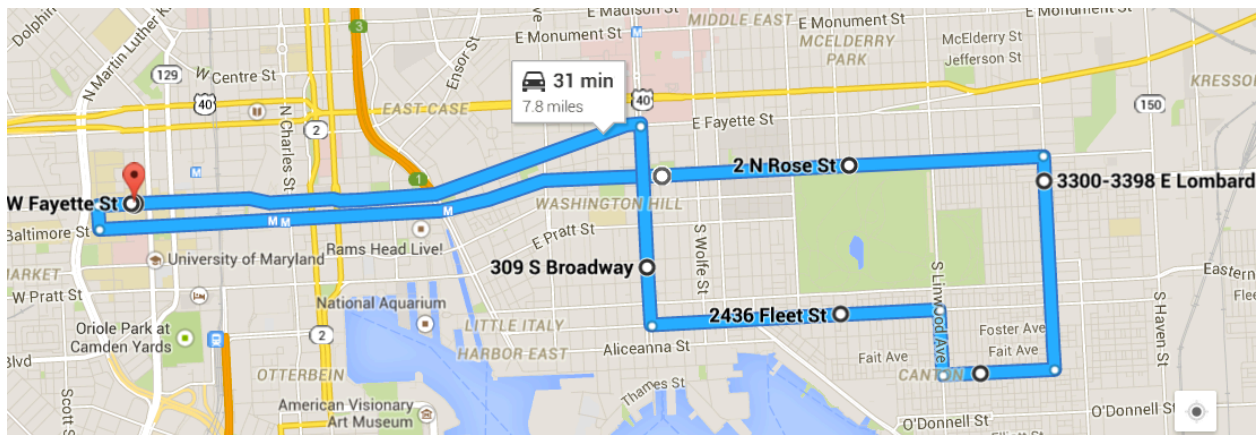
- i. Announcements - "get involved" link on our website. Also link for new stories from the Grad Gazette. Photo shoot for pictures for the graduate school website at peace and a cup of joe, Grad School wants GSA reps to be in it.
IPE day- seemed like a bit of a disaster, it was too clinically- based for some graduate students to participate.
- ii. Meet & Confer Committee - we met with President Perman, Dr. Jarrell, Dr. Ward, and Dr. Golembewski. MedImmune is working to incorporate internships for graduate students. Dental Insurance might actually be included as early as fall for grad students. Dr. Jarrell will be coming to talk at the Candidacy Ceremony.
- iii. Graduate Student Lounge - lockers, desks, chairs, an HDMI capable tv, should be set up by the end of this month. All MS and PhD students should be able to swipe in to use the facility.

b. Vice President

- i. Announcements - USGA had funding meetings, live safe app in pilot mode
- ii. Library is doing a big restructure of their budget. They will try to increase library hours around finals time. Did you know we have a great and efficient Inter-library loan system to get articles that our library does not subscribe to? Sarah and

Christina were there to test the audio equipment with is also superb. Spread the word.

- iii. University shuttle system just came back with a proposal for a Canton Shuttle. See route below.



- iv. Social Activities Committee - GSA went to Ronald Mcdonald house, Grad students volunteered and the event went really well, they loved the french toast bar, pictures were sent to Jenny Owens and Kendra for the website.

c. Treasurer

- i. Account - \$10,780.40, we bought supplies at costco, cutlery is in the filing cabinet.
- ii. Finance Committee - travel awards are due in April, please check them for completion before you sign them and encourage electronic submission.

d. Secretary

- i. Professional Development Committee - We piloted the Peer Presentation Preparation service with C. Ross as our guinea pig. It went well. We should begin offering it to graduate students after GRC. Please volunteer to help out with this service.
- ii. GRC Committee - Volunteer sheet is going around, please sign up for empty slots and be as available as possible on Monday for the GRC. We got Koozies from VWR and also some tote bags from Greiner Bio One (thanks Brandy). Moderators- look out for an email regarding instructions. I need you guys to be strict about the 10 min time limit. We have arranged for the Social hour/Reception to be in the "prefunction" area on the second floor of the SMC. Please attend.

e. Grad Council rep

- i. Announcements
- ii. Next Graduate Council meeting - grad council pushed most of their agenda to next meeting. Their GRC is on the 25th. National Association of Graduate Professional

Students event is coming up sometime in April, we (UMB) could apply for a membership if we want.

- f. PR
 - i. Announcements
 - ii. Communications Committee - next issue comes out on friday
 - g. Meyerhoff - black history month panel went well, received funding from USGA for Recruitment event and trivia night
 - h. Nova - funding for USGA for halal on the lawn, the spring fundraiser. they are collecting donations for prizes to give out at Spring Grove Bingo nights. Brain awareness week - visiting 4 schools, bringing spiker boxes to engage students and see action potentials, still need volunteers Email Amanda Labuza with your names
4. New Business
- a. Visit from Sarah Laun (postdoc) to talk about podcast - scientists talking to other scientists about recent publications to get us familiar with talking about our data and owning our data. Recording a pilot episode on friday. Public affairs will get a test audience (not sure the make up). Fact checking? You will be able to reference your paper and it may be in-house only. Public Affairs may choose to incorporate it on the new website. Sarah and Christina are conducting the interviews which will be reciprocal so that students will interview each other and then they will go up in separate issues. Gauge interest in your programs. Contact Sarah or Christina if interested.
 - b. Supported Student Groups to submit article in The Grad Gazette - anyone who recieves money from the GSA should write articles for the Grad Gazette with a summary. We will draft a motion to present at next meeting.
 - c. Motion to approve \$1,532 for our GRC social by G. Heinzl, 2nd by B. Garzel. Passes unanimously.
5. Upcoming events
- a. GRC and Candidacy Ceremony - Monday, March 9th

7. Other business/Announcements

Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:01pm by G. Heinzl, Seconded by J. Van Ryzin.

Date of next meeting: April 1st 2015