

Graduate Student Council

General Body Meeting Minutes

6 December 2018
Alumni Hall #201
6-7 PM

President – Mary Lauren Benton

- Next General Body Meeting – Jan 3rd → 10th

Academic Affairs Committee – Ian Setliff and Jack Ding

- 3MT – March 29th, 2019 (9AM-3:30PM)
- Looking for judge, application coordinators, and graphic design

Community Affairs Committee – Hannah Ingersoll and Maria Agostini

- Pen Pals with a Purpose
 - o Few openings available (see Maria)
- Harvest Food Collection
 - o Leaving until early next week
 - o 2 full boxes so far

Secretary – Corey Hayford

- Student Health Insurance
 - o Dental coverage available?
 - o Covering

Student Life Liaison - Kelsea Best

- Mentorship Survey Development
 - o Committee in place as of last month
 - Humanities, Int'l
 - First meeting happened – brainstorm ideas
 - Topics: authorship, belittling
 - Trial survey to committee members
 - Launch planned for next April
 - IRB approval planned for February
- Improving and strengthening the grievance process
 - o Opaque process as of now
 - o Infographic to be included in **NEW Graduate Student Resource Guide**
 - o How to document issue; Timeframe; Advocates; etc.
- Updated Student Mental Health Bill of Rights & Responsibilities
 - o Done!
 - o Department reps will do final vote starting tomorrow

- Need quorum! Please vote
 - o “Graduate student” → “Student”
 - All students wanted to be involved
- GDI (Graduate diversity and inclusion) committee developing strategies to improve diversity in small cohorts
 - o Learn about resources – can reach out to GDI or Kelsea
- Tax workshops
 - o Stacy Satchell organized (Emily Roberts speaker)
 - o Jan 22nd and 24th
 - See emails from graduate school

Questions, Comments, Concerns:

- Contact Michael Pritchard if you are department rep and don't get voting email!