

Attendance:

- **Present:** Tony Patelunas (minute-taker), Vanessa Lovelace, Morad Behandish, Phillip Price, Greg Treich
- **Absent:** Thomas Briggs

Meeting began 5.05pm

President: Tony Patelunas

- All GSS meeting dates reserved for Fall Semester
 - 16th September, 7th October, 28th October, 18th November, 9th December
 - 7.00pm in ROWE 122
 - Grad school room does not exist, Austin was already booked, new room is ROWE
 - GSS Executive meetings shall take place 1 week before Senate meetings at 5.00pm on Wednesdays
- EHS Committee, Greg Treich
 - Tony will email Dawn and CC Greg
- Tony will meet Rachel Conboy on Tuesday 28th July
 - Needs both perspectives for moving the university forward
 - TAs and students being taught with an agreement
 - Send student to TA training Wednesday 26th August at 9.00am
 - Professors do not go through the same training
 - GSS/USG to go to ITL, discuss what the problem is, and work together on ways to address issues
 - Need to collect data, e.g. run a survey with specific questions that we have agreed upon with USG
- Tony is meeting with Career Ambassador Kay Gruder.
- Undergraduate mentorship
 - Undergraduate student, Ian Fignon, will contact GSS closer to Fall with a list of interested undergraduate organizations
- Next GSS Executive meeting
 - Potentially Wednesday 19th August at 5.00pm
 - Shall send email by 5th August finalizing date

Parliamentarian: Phillip Price

- Phillip suggests a rehearsal for a full senate meeting
 - During next GSS Executive meeting (19th August?)

Activities Director: Morad Behandish

- GAIN
 - Info fair is being held by ISSS
 - BBQ is now Food Truck Festival
- Food Truck Fest
 - On Fairfield Way, Thursday 27th August, 4-7pm (clean up until 8pm)
 - Tent was going to cost \$1200 so has been cut.
 - Each food truck has an awning
 - Vendors:
 - Dominos donated 50 XL pizzas
 - Insomnia Cookies donated 400 cookies
 - Food trucks (Whey Station, Clam chowder, one more). We have prepaid for each truck to provide 200 meals, and they can sell food once 200 meals have gone
 - Entrance token split into 3 (provides 1 dominos, 1 cookie, 1 food truck meal)
 - Need volunteers
 - Tom Briggs to send email to senators
 - Morad has created a form and will email department secretaries (via Dept List Serv). Send an email now, and again shortly before the event.
 - Contact specific graduate organizations (Tarang, Graduate Students of Colour, SAGE, Union, Chinese Student Assoc.)
 - Shall contact Kent Holsinger, Victoria Blodgett, Kay Gruder, Kim, Jeff Seemann, Charmane Thurmand
 - Create FB event on GSS page
 - Youtube channel? Twitter?
 - Create slideshows of previous GSS events
- Resource Fair
 - Monday 24th August, at 9am-12pm
 - Tony and Tom to liaise with Morad about GSS's table
- Halloween
 - Collaboration with UConn athletics, possibly involving free access to graduate students for a soccer game.

Meeting ended: 6.38pm