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Council of Graduate Students in Education (CGSE)

4/15/2022 10:00am-11:00am
Meeting Agenda

Zoom Link: https://pitt.zoom.us/j/98390039519

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Attendees: Olivia Enders, Ogechi Irondi, Holly Plank, Sendi Estrada, Yuan Gao, Cole D'Alicandro, Ivy Chou, Thomas James, Kristen Buonomo

Call to Order
10:00-10:05am Sendi   Welcome   March Minutes were reviewed and approved
New Business & Committee Updates

10:05-10:20am
 	
 Sendi   **CGSE President Updates:**
 ● CGSE 2022-2023 Election Results (42 people voted):
    ○ President: Ogechi Irondi
    ○ VP: Yuan Gao
    ○ Secretary: Holly Plank
    ○ Business manager: Anna Premo
    ○ International Student Network Co-chair: Ximing Li (1 co-chair vacant for next semester)
    ○ Grants Committee Co-Chair: Hannah Goldstein (1 co-chair vacant for next semester)
 ● Holly ran for both TLL Rep and Secretary. To ensure that people who want to run get the opportunity to run, Holly will pick one position and the other will be an open position for the fall elections.
 ● CGSE Transition Sessions
    ○ Virtual training and transition sessions will be held in May/June. All current board (2021-2022) and new board (2022-2023) members should fill out the availability form by the end of April: https://forms.gle/QUgcrSSvWoqSZgZ8A.
    ○ Each outgoing officer must prepare a one-pager with accounts/usernames/passwords and any information that their predecessor might find helpful
    ○ Email all one-pagers to Ogechi and she will put them in a central place for all CGSE access
 ● Sashes for graduating SOE students: Request Form
    ○ Ivy created a logo for CGSE
    ○ Cole has been working with marketing to create a sash for graduating SOE students
    ○ This was originally intended for Spring 2022 and Summer 2022 graduates
    ○ Ivy and Ogechi will coordinate to complete the application form for a space at William Pitt Union to get storage space for CGSE. Ogechi will also reach out to Courtney Ross about a possible Posvar storage space.
 ● CGSE Conference
    ○ The CGSE Annual Conference was a success! There was a huge turnout from ADP. There was lots of positive feedback as well as areas for improvement. Sendi will share the notes for improvement to help with future conferences.
    ○ The conference, colloquium, and other CGSE events were impacted by our inability to contact students directly. The new board will be working this summer to figure out how best to get these goals met.
 ● Writing Retreat in May: Interest Form

10:20-10:30am Cole	**Business Manager Updates:** ● $1,891.19 spent on CGSE polos and other branded materials (banner, journals, pens) ● Spring/Summer graduation sashes & additional conference items will be purchased Monday, April 18th or Tuesday, April 19th.

10:30-10:40am
Yuan
	ISPN Committee Updates:
	● International students met with Dr. Zito to share their experiences on campus. They discussed ways to enrich the experience in SOE and increase their belongingness. Though the focus was on international students, these issues apply to American students as well. The following ideas were proposed to addressed the academic and social student concerns:
	  ○ Academics
	    ■ Resource skills (writing or speaking) can be given to international students to support their academic work.
	    ■ To address work opportunities in the US, graduating international students can have future seminars to provide support.
	  ○ Social
	    ■ Students reported a discrepancy between their experiences at Pitt and what they were told prior to arrival. Students asked for more resources about how to navigate Pitt, which Dr. Zito said she would provide.
	    ■ Students also discussed race discrimination. Dr. Zito will update the reporting system on such issues to improve reporting and feedback from the international students.
	● Potluck Style Picnic Event (end of April)
	  ○ This will be open to all students. International students are encouraged to bring their traditional foods from their home countries. More information will be shared.

10:40-10:50am
 	
Olivia
	Colloquium Committee Updates
	● Colloquium Panel on student organizing was held on March 18th
	  ○ There is a video of the panel which can be passed along to people who want it.
	    ■ [Part 1 Colloquium Video](#)
	    ■ [Part 2 Colloquium Video](#)
	  ○ CGSE is considering adding the vides to social media and/or the CGSE website.

10:50-11:00am
 	
Holly
	TLL Representative Updates
	● Canvas Resource Page Rollout to HHD and EFOP (end of April/early May)
	  ○ This resource serves as a one stop shop for information from the TLL Department. Access will be granted for all students.
	  ○ Holly will share the Canvas link to CGSE officers for feedback before it is rolled out.

Meeting Adjourned Next General Meeting: **Friday, May 13, 2022 10:00am**	
Next Meeting Agenda Items	

Action Items		
Task	**Who is responsible?**	**Notes**
- Complete transition availability survey: https://forms.gle/QUgcrSSvWoqSZgZ8A. - Prepare a one-pager with accounts/usernames/passwords and any information that their predecessor might find helpful - Email all one-pagers to Ogechi and she will put them in a central place for all CGSE access	**ALL**	
Request Sashes for graduating SOE students: Request Form	**Graduating SOE students**	
Complete Writing Retreat interest form Interest Form	**ALL**	