

NSSC- Inaugural General Meeting- February 4, 2008

Start time: 4:35 p.m.

Opening greeting

4 new students this semester at the Nicholas School- let's make sure that we meet and greet them

Introduction of Representatives

Mary Greene and Ben Landis: executive directors

Julie Burlage: Will be taking minutes and managing reimbursements

Mallory Dimmit- Professional skills coordinator. She will be in charge of modules and adding new modules

Mallory Dimmit will be taking the position as the Academic Officer- responsible for graduation speaker & honor code

Annabelle Ng, Xiao-jing Sun- International Representatives: They would like to improve international student interactions and potlucks

Katie La Jeunesse: Nicholas School Technical advisory committee- mitigates IT issues

Kevin: Forestry Representative

Anna Marie- GPSC rep- Will be continuing Nicholas School relations with GPSC

Julia Grubert- Program area representative coordinator- NSSC needs to recruit program area representatives

Justin Bowers: Phonathon in fall, attends 3 alumni dinners or lunches

New this fiscal year:

Budget: \$3,000 reimbursement for socials and meetings

Can be used for odds and ends, coffee machine, coat racks, etc.

NSSC needs representatives for sectors: Collect comments and suggestions, 1 social per semester, one 1st year and one 2nd year rep (preferably but not required).

Suggestion: Include students into faculty discussion about future programs. Sector reps need not always attend NSSC meetings to be a rep.

Speaker needed for Earth Day: Funding from dean to bring large speaker to the school. Need to brainstorm about costs, speaker ideas, interests.

Anna: Duke Recycles: suggestions for the speaker include: David Ore, He is also booked for earth day at UNC. Other suggestion: David Attenboro, Terry Tennis Williams

Cassie Hoffman volunteered to work on speaker project

The Plaza is reserved for earth day fair. Tables will be presented (per Duke recycles).

Other Goals:

- Improved Faculty student interaction: project, event
 - Suggestions: similar to speed dating, progressive dinner with staff and faculty, field day, extend forum invitation. Volunteers for committee: Anna Marie, Julie B.
- Improving academic skills and development:
 - Ben/ Mallory suggested a brown bag lunch series, Have professor or expert come for 1 hour session, i.e. carbon footprint calculation. Survey to be sent out

Improving student council website, calendar, rate your professor (online evaluation of professors, survey). One would have to have a current student access code.

Fridge cleaning- every two weeks

Walk-around crew needed to assess broken equipment

Quiet area: ongoing problem, limited space

Reserve a conference room: on DCal to select room.

Staff needs to give notice for reserved reading rooms

How to strengthen Career Services for EEPs: students would like more access to business and private sector positions.

Suggestion: Have businesses come to Nicholas to examine curriculum to see if they are attracted to our curriculum and student skills.

Suggestion: organize with Fuqua. Write a position statement to career services. Organize with Dean of Nicholas School.

Feb. 18th- Town Hall meeting- bring suggestions

GPSC Meeting- Brodhead- Law 3037

Meeting Finish Time: 5:29 p.m.