Meeting called by Cierra Raine Sorin, GSA President
Notes recorded by Pedro Craveiro, VP of Communication and Records

- Introduction

- Community Agreement

- Roll Call/Academic Departments Present: [48 Graduate Representatives]
  - History of Art and Architecture [1]
  - Classics [1]
  - Comparative Literature [1]
  - English [1]
  - Film and Media Studies [1]
  - History [1]
  - Latin American and Iberian Studies [1]
  - Linguistics [1]
  - Philosophy [1]
  - Media Arts and Technology [1]
  - Music [1]
  - Religious Studies [1]
  - Spanish and Portuguese [1]
  - Theater and Dance [1]
  - Art [1]
  - Biomolecular Science and Engineering [1]
  - Chemistry [2]
  - Dynamical Neuroscience [1]
  - Earth Science [1]
  - Mathematics [1]
  - Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology [2]
  - Physics [3]
  - Psychological and Brain Sciences [1]
  - Anthropology [1]
  - Communication [1]
  - Feminist Studies [1]
  - Geography [2]
- Political Science [1]
- Computer Science [1]
- Chemical Engineering [1]
- Electrical and Computer Engineering [1]
- Materials [2]
- Counseling, Clinical, and School Psychology [2]
- Education [4]
- Bren School [2]

- **Approval of last meeting minutes //APPROVED**

- **Approval of current agenda// APPROVED**

- **Presentations**
  - *Co-sponsorship: Chemical Engineering Student Seminar (CheSS)*
  - *Co-sponsorship: Navigating Academia*
  - *Brianna Conway, Director of the CARE Office*
  - *Education Opportunity Program // Ashkon Molaei*
    Coordinator of the Middle Eastern Resource Center

- **Administration Reports**
  - *Graduate Division Report // Dr. Carlos M. Nash*
  - *Graduate Council Report // Dr. Tammy Afifi*

- **Executive Committee Reports**
  - *President // Cierra Raine Sorin*
    - Lounge renovations updates
      - Egg chairs should be here this week
      - Conference room will slowly be converted to relaxation space
      - Furniture is ordered: waiting on date of delivery
      - Lounge likely will be closed for 2-3 days
      - Card reader door will be installed by the end of the month
      - Working on getting a new projector ordered and installed
      - Game shelf, plants, and other smaller improvements still in the works
      - Mosher is happening!
        - Friday, November 22nd
        - More information - including the theme! - coming soon
        - Questions about student fees
    - Breakdown for 2019-2020 fees
- Four-month Fall pay

- **VP of Budget, Finance and Committees // Luke Rosedahl**
  - Apply for a Co-Sponsorship
  - Co-Sponsorship Overview:
    - Will provide a maximum contribution of $300.00 per event or activity and $600.00 per year to any organization.
    - The GSA shall be acknowledged as a sponsor on any information/advertising for the event
    - We have $6,000 budgeted for co-sponsorships and have not gone over this for the past 3 years
  - Co-Sponsorship Priorities
    - Enhance graduate student life at UCSB
    - Fund activities organized by graduate students
    - Requests that are interdisciplinary, involving multiple academic departments will have a higher priority than requests involving only one academic department or discipline.
    - The GSA Assembly may decline to fund an event or activity if the GSA is the only sponsor.
    - The GSA Assembly encourages organizations making funding requests to seek co-sponsorship from other organizations as applicable.
    - The GSA Assembly may require that organizations that seek repeat funding for recurring activities demonstrate evidence that financial support from other sponsors has been sought and/or received.
  - The VP of Budget and Finance will be taking over committee rep work
    - We need reps for a wide range of committees
    - A call was sent out last week, so check it out and email me for more info
    - As a reminder: you will be paid for being a committee rep
  - Committees: Increasing Committee Rep Stipends
    - The current Committee Rep Stipend is $10/hour:
      - i. 1 to 2 hours: $20
      - ii. 3 to 4 hours: $40
      - iii. 5 to 6 hours: $60
      - iv. 7 to 8 hours: $80
      - v. 9 to 10 hours: $100
      - vi. 10 to 11 hours: $120
      - vii. 11 to 12 hours: $140
      - viii. 13 to 14 hours: $160
      - ix. 15 to 16 hours: $180
      - x. 17 to 18 hours: $200
      - xi. 19 to 20 hours: $220
      - xii. 21 or more hours: $250
    - This was set a long time ago and after inflation and minimum wage increase is no longer appropriate
    - Proposal: Increase Committee Stipend to $15/HR
      - The new pay ranges will be as follows:
- i. 1 to 2 hours: $30
- ii. 3 to 4 hours: $60
- iii. 5 to 6 hours: $90
- iv. 7 to 8 hours: $120
- v. 9 to 10 hours: $150
- vi. 11 to 12 hours: $180
- vii. 13 to 14 hours: $210
- viii. 15 to 16 hours: $240
- ix. 17 to 18 hours: $270
- x. 19 to 20 hours: $300
- xi. 21 to 22 hours: $330
- xii. 23 to 24 hours: $360
- xiii. 25 to 26 hours: $390

- Committees: Increasing Committee Rep Stipends
  - As this is a bylaws change we must discuss this month and then vote on it next month
    - Pros: Increased Representative Recruitment (we need more reps), and We can ask more of our reps at $15/hour (such as monthly reports)
    - Cons: Increased cost. However we have historically underspent the budgeted amount for this. At $15/Hour we have the line item for 111 Committee Hours/Quarter. We historically have averaged 90 Hours/Quarter
      - We vote on this next month

- **VP of External Affairs // Emma Schuster**
  - November Regents meeting
  - Cohort-based tuition
  - AFSCME strike (day of action = 11/13)
  - Housing affordability calculations
  - ***UCSB specific item*** “Student Housing Development Joint Venture, Santa Barbara Campus”
  - Other things happening system wide!!
    - BARC loan/rent deduction problems across the UCs (problem here?)
    - Undocu conf. @ UCM → external planning committee!
    - Look out for info on Sacramento/DC trips!

- **VP of Academic Affairs // Alex LeBrun**
  - Trivia Night November 13 @ Night Lizard Brewing
    - 7pm event starts; show up no later than 6:40
    - GSA will cover the cost of trivia!
  - Graduate Council
    - Overview of Program Reviews

- **VP of Communication and Records // Pedro Craveiro**
  - New Graduate Students Representatives
    - Number of Grad Reps and Number of Departments Represented
- 29 Grad Reps > 52 Grad Reps
- 19 Departments > 40 Departments out of 45 Departments
- 5 Departments have no GSA Reps
  - New Website Launched // New GSA Image
  - Meeting with UCSB Archivist on Friday 11/1
  - GSA Logo Contest: Guidelines will be sent out very soon

- **VP of Internal Affairs // Heather Prentice-Walz**
  - Weekly Bagel Hour (Wed. mornings)
  - Weekly Rejuvenation Station (Thurs. afternoons)
  - Homemade Coffee Workshop w/ H&W (Thurs 11/14 at 6:30pm)
  - Upcoming events with UCSB Alumni:
    - Join for 2nd Annual Day of Service on 11/16

- **Discussion Items**
  - *Increasing Committee Rep Stipends*

- **Action Items** (Requires Assembly Vote)
  - Co-sponsorship vote for the CheSS of $250: **APPROVED**
    - CALL FOR CONSENT: 48 in favor, 0 abstentions and 0 nays.
  - Co-sponsorship vote for the Navigating Academia of $300: **APPROVED**
    - CALL FOR CONSENT: 48 in favor, 0 abstentions and 0 nays.
  - Vote on the new GSA Executive Board Members [Special Elections]:
    - VP of Events and Planning — Aishwarya Rameshabu: **APPROVED**
      - CALL FOR CONSENT: 48 in favor, 0 abstentions and 0 nays.
    - VP of Student Affairs — Maya Zaynetdinova: **APPROVED**
      - CALL FOR CONSENT: 48 in favor, 0 abstentions and 0 nays.

- **Announcements**

- **Adjournment**