

PGSA Meeting Agenda, 12:30pm Wednesday, 1/18/12

Old/Unfinished business: 12:30-12:45pm

- *President:* David Jacobs -
- *Vice-President:* Lisa Bauer - Intramurals/social events: looking for a handball captain... looking into ice rink rental/Whirlyball for Spring semester event
- *Secretary/Treasurer:* Tawinan Cheiwchanchamnangij - PGSA budget status. \$498 remaining, planned \$225 for event
- *Faculty Liaison:* Johanna Nagy: Oral exam doc in review by Corbin
- *GSS Senator:* Ben Saliwanchik - GSS updates: Veal/athletic facilities: efforts being made. take your family for free on Saturdays.
- First year rep: Jason Chance - first year updates: Lori open to buying stuff: no budget, just ask

New Business: 12:45-1:00pm

- Saturday tutoring, round 2!
 - "Done-in-a-day" event, Saturday 1/28/2012 from 10am -12p (9am "training") @ the Church of the Covenant, <http://www.saturdaytutoring.org/> It's fun, easy, and rewarding! *Good mastery of English needed
- About \$150+ remaining that we can get from GSS for a campus-wide event. Ideas? Pi day? Beer? YES
- PGSA fundraising? Consider local places, e.g. Jolly scholar, coventry, ...
- A few reminders about grad benefits. Many things listed in the Graduate Student Handbook...
 - "Fellowship courses (p 14): Broadening your academic experience by taking courses outside of the Phys. dept for free. Need to be in good academic standing, get advisor permission, etc. See handbook for details. Not good at Weatherhead, no audits
 - Awards and Funding (p 36)
 - Verhosek ('V') Fund: Up to \$200 awarded for conference poster/presentation, and up to \$50 for thesis binding. Max \$250 lifetime
 - Eva L. Pancoast Memorial Fellowship (only female students): Fellowships for international travel/study. Usually b/n \$1000-\$3000
 - SGS Graduate Student Travel Award. Max \$500/\$1000 for domestic/international conference-related expenses, and the Physics department will match this
 - Lenore A. Kola Graduate Student Community Service Award. \$1000. Must be active member of GSS or a GSS-recognized organization, like PGSA.
- Thoughts about a Facebook page? No
- PGSA website:
 - "About the area" section needs work

Recruitment (Amanda/Kati): 1:00-1:30pm