UNITED GOVERNMENT OF GRADUATE STUDENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER ASSEMBLY MEETING MINUTES – January 21, 2015 ATLAS 229 5:00 PM

1. Welcome / Food

2. Call to Order TIME 5:03P

2a. Officer Introductions

John – President Laura – Executive Vice President Kate – VP Student Affairs Melinda – Social Dan – VP Finance Richard – Communications Scott – CUSG Liaison

2b. Announcements

Fee increase last semester. To Regents for app'l. \$4.50 UGGS fee \rightarrow \$5.50.

East Campus office hours new: Alan

Travel & Group grants (Dan). 2 weeks from today = due date. Grading done that next weekend @ Backcountry.

Semester goals (2): increase representation from orphaned departments; campus social climate \rightarrow actionable work

Robert's Rules of Order

3. Approve meeting 12/10 minutes

- Amendment approved: UGGS fee typo
- MINUTES APPROVED

4. Open Forum

- Scott (PSYC) non-academic job training seminar; Feb 10th or Feb 17th; want 20 ppl
- Ben (Poli Sci) Ketchum renovation; homeless departments; suggestions??
 - Kate (EDUC) waiting list study carols @ library
- Eric (FRE/ITA) student health board: dental care; new plan
- Elena (GEOG) Housing policy (Boulder); students 7% pop; open forum next week @ ETown hall @ 16th & Spruce
- Undergrad fees < grad fees; balance fee structure?
 - Dan (PSYC) $-\frac{1}{2}$ \$ from undergrad fees
- Megan (ENVS) Boulder food rescue; Q: legislation for C4C to donate food (stopped); significant amount composted
 - Mike (?) no student control over C4C; resolution only recourse
 - Sara something with UMC
 - Ben (Poli Sci) food donated to shelters; officially campus food not allowed to be given away; school sued from food poisoning incident

4a. No more meetings in ATLAS on Wednesday nights; Spring 2015: Mondays @ 5P @ ATLAS every other Monday starting in 2 weeks

5. Campus Climate Timeline

- a. Campus climate survey
 - 1. update in next couple of weeks

b. Campus climate symposia

- **1.** 4 last semester; wanted actionable items to come out of process will work on that this semester
- c. Email to the Provost
- d. UGGS Documents Committee
- e. BFA Student Affairs Committee

f. CUSG/UGGS faculty breakfast

- 1. Post-data event
- 2. Scott (PSYC) what would event look like?
 - 1. John: 3 primary foci from survey
- 3. Scott partner with Andrew & Judeon? Yes.
- Jenn (Thea/Dance) very detailed contract ahead of time: work to be done per semester; GTPI initiated process 4-5 years ago; will send contract to UGGS
- 5. Richard (ATOC) when should committee be assembled? John: Fill Doc Cmte ASAP
- 6. Juan Pablo (Arch Eng) website helpful to illustrate info? Yes

g. Documents Committee

- 1. Student Bill of Rights written couple of years ago; nothing really came of it
- 2. Revise SBoR \rightarrow want policy to come out of it
- Kelsey (ENVS) chair; recruit additional members → send uggsinfo an email

6. New Reps Initiative

Get absent departments to attend (~20-25 no attend last year); 55-60% attend assembly meetings; do students have a network in these departments? Email from Dean Stevenson sent Mon/Tue

Comm/Th&Dan/CivilArch/MCDB

Feature Grad Dept-specific info (Aero, ChemEng have own Grad orgs); \$ to kick orgs off ground

Feature Rep of Month? Pic & bio on website

Eric (AEROSP) – student of month last year; added info to email that didn't get read anyway

Ben (POLISCI) – closed FB group; UGGS FB wall impersonal; friending unnecessary Students with orgs have direct link to faculty & staff; communication effective Francesca (GERM) – apply for funding to invite speakers

John & Dan: Group grants (\$750); some restrictions on how \$ spent

(?) CUSG Funding Board - resources

7. Alexis from Wardenburg

Recap Shelley's presentation & Gold plan highlights

5800 enrollees (½)

Services summary

Gold Plan – premium = \$1695/semester; \$20 copay after all visits used up -outside Wardenburg: \$500 deductible & \$40 copay; 20% beyond 1st \$500 -\$5000 out-of-pocket maximum; insurance pays 100% thereafter

Decision making: losing insurance after 26 years of

Evan (LING) - currently covers spouses?

Alexis: affordability vs. changing benefits

Dental & vision optional

Looking @ plan renewal; high prescriptions; use %age to keep premium reasonable; possibly discontinuing offering coverage for spouses/dependents

Scott (PSYC) – open enrollment different than Gold plan period; 2 or 0 plan coverages = barrier to shifting; pro-rated refund?

Alexis: group rates lock in enrollment; carrier won't commit to premium if shifting occurred

Kate (EDUC) – qualifying event after involuntary coverage loss Add'I Qs to uggsinfo; powerpoint to representatives

8. CU Green Lab

Shane (Materials Science Engineering Program) – buying software gives anyone capability to search lab equipment across campus; benefits: saves research time & \$; searchable; what are reps thoughts?

Get it free from UC Santa Barbara

Dean of Research can fund maintenance; might have to employ someone to do this Evan (LING) – how does database get populated? Dept self-reported?

Somewhat voluntary; helps reduce doubling up on instruments

Kate (EDUC) - Daniel from CU skills? Duplication

Have access to his DB; needs some updating; UCSB more functional Send Qs to Shane

9. CUSG Liaison Legislation

Scott – position poorly defined \rightarrow fix this; what should hiring process be? Send 3 candidates to CUSG from which 1 is chosen or ;

Ben – hired over summer for following year in vet services; change to hired before end of spring term & trading out with new hire; legislation needs to include hiring, update, semester cycle

10. Announcements

Grad student ski day this Saturday: \$59, not \$89; bar 1-2P

UGGS reps on website – list emails also; thoughts? Scott: Create UGGS rep email address so students' real address isn't used. Ben: problems arise with time: multiple people checking account & secretary takes it over, doesn't give it back Kate – spam problems

John - will revisit @ next meeting

9. Meeting Adjourn 6:07P

ATTENDANCE

Lindsay Johannson	ANTH
Eric Threet	ASEN
Richard Bateman	ATOC
Juan Pablo Gevaudan	CEAE
Xavier Espinet	CEAE
Alan Izar	CHBE
Joanne Esch	COMM
Melinda Markin	EBIO
Kate Allison	EDUC
Paty Abril Holt	EDUC
Logan Blizzard	ENGL
Erik Nesse	FRIT
Alana Wilson	GEOG
Franziska Schweiger	GRMN
Diba Mani	IPHY
Michael Gillis	LING
Sarah Alcorn	LING
Evan Coles	LING
Alison Gilchrest	MCDB
Nicole Ridgwell	MUSM
Ben Purser	PSCI
John Lurquin	PSYC
Marianne Reddan	PSYC
Dan Gustavson	PSYC
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Scott Schafer	PSYC

Juli White	SLHS
Jenn Calvano	THDN