

GSAC General Body Meeting

April 2nd, 2021

11AM – Online via Zoom

- I. Executive board updates
 - a. President – Zach Sandoval
 - i. Graduate Expo
 1. 4/12 (in-person) in Effingham Room of MLK Union and 4/15 (virtual)
 - ii. 2021-2022 presidential election coming soon.
 - iii. GSAC cords
 1. Pick up in 1201 Blair Hall.
 2. You can also pick up a GSAC mask here.
 - b. VP of Administrative Activities – Carson Gordon
 - i. No updates
 - c. VP of Programming – Lacey Jenkins
 - i. 4/24 - planning a movie marathon via Teams or Zoom.
 - ii. More information to follow.
 - d. VP of Public Relations – Kristy Workman
 - i. No updates
 - e. Student Dean – Brock Hammond
 - i. Discussed the importance of passing the constitutional updates.
 - f. Graduate School Liason – Austin Eichorn
 - i. Fighting through Finals: Graduate School Care Packages
 1. Wanting to use our funds that would have been used for food at events to purchase care packages for graduate students. Austin would like to hear suggestions on what students are interested in having in these bags.
- II. Voting
 - a. Vote on minor language changes
 - i. Bill was passed unanimously.
 - b. Vote on creation of new VP of Diversity and Inclusion position
 - i. Bill was passed unanimously.
 - c. Vote on statement of support for Big Blue Campus Food Pantry
 - i. Bill was passed unanimously.
- III. Departmental updates
 - a. Aging Studies – no updates
 - b. Biology – nominated Dr. Meiners for Raynes Outstanding Mentor Award
 - c. Communication Disorders and Sciences – no updates
 - d. Chemistry – no updates
 - e. Communication – no updates
 - f. Curriculum and Instruction – updating website and noteworthy section for department.
 - g. Counseling – hooding ceremony is coming up and it will be in person; might not be able to have guests but even having the opportunity to have it there for students will be very meaningful.

- h. Clinical Psychology – no updates
 - i. College Student Affairs - no updates
 - j. English – the English department has a lot of different conferences coming up for research presentations.
 - k. Geographic Information Sciences - no updates
 - l. History - History career day was on Wednesday.
 - m. Human Services Program Administration - no updates
 - n. Business Administration – Undergraduate FIN4220 team received third place in Undergraduate Growth Portfolio 2021 Portfolio Competition. This was the fourth time the portfolio has ranked in the top three since 2013; student athletes in department have been great about getting tutoring help when needed.
 - o. Music - no updates
 - p. Political Science – Model Illinois Government transition meeting is coming up soon; the department is excited and proud that the EIU Faculty Laureate for the upcoming year is a Political Science Instructor, Dr. Kevin Anderson.
 - q. Special Education - no updates
 - r. School Psychology - no updates
 - s. Sustainability – in three weeks there will be Earth Week; there will be poster released soon. You can sign up to work Earth Week events on the CEVO webpage.
 - t. Technology - no updates
- IV. Next GSAC meeting: April 16th, 2021