

**Dartmouth Graduate Student Council**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**October 1, 2019 | 5:30PM**



## **AGENDA – FIRST MEETING**

### **New Business:**

1. Dean Kull Intro
  - Dean of Guarini (WE HAVE A NEW LOGO)
  - GSC serves as a liaison between students and with administration and Guarini
    - Grad student life, programs, etc.
  - Contact directly through KL or Exec – want to hear from students
  - Dana will open in Dec!!
    - Guarini offices, grad student lounge on “garden” level (more central, open up into courtyard)
    - Faculty mentor training plan with advisors (power dynamics)
      - Targeted → more broad training
      - Concept facilitated and started by GSC members
  - Look in your inbox for lunches with Dean – conversation is not booked
    - **First one is Friday (October 4<sup>th</sup>) in Rocky (main campus)**
  
2. What is the GSC?
  - Covers Guarini, TDI, Thayer – Student Senate in the works?
  - Budget directly from activities fees
    - Recognized groups can apply for funding
    - Funding for committees to put on events
    - General funding is “flexible” and can be altered month to month as groups request specific funding
      - Application process (presentations, vote, etc.)
  - Website: [sites.dartmouth.edu/gsc](http://sites.dartmouth.edu/gsc)
    - Calendar
      - Also includes non-GSC (The Hood, the Hop)
  - Facebook! All events on here
  - How do meetings work?
    - Review state of the budget (start here because later on we have votes for funding)
    - Funding requests
    - Outstanding business and decisions
    - All follow “Robert’s Rules”
      - Parliamentary Procedure
      - See the video online
      - We motion to vote, motion to amend or amend an amendment, etc.
      - Ex: Someone moves to vote the funding request/amend the funding request.
        - Motions following debates
  - Communication occurs over Slack
    - Not used a ton, but a good way to communicate with everyone other than email (which could be the best)
  - Constitution and Bylaws

- VP acts a liasion between student groups and parliamentarian
  - Constitution lays out fundamental principles by which the GSC runs
    - Mission statement, how to vote, quorum.
    - General guiding principle
  - Bylaws
    - Day-to-day meetings, duties and responsibilities
    - New rules – new bylaws
  - Ask Sarah if you have questions!
3. October Finance and Expenditures Reports
- Finance Chair: James
  - October is beginning of fiscal year
    - Fall semi formal was “lit” (yay social chairs!)
  - Budget Status
    - Have a ton of money left
  - A couple of funding requests
  - Will approve this September budget with official numbers at the November meeting
4. Funding requests
- CBRaD – **October 8<sup>th</sup>** (Open to all of Dartmouth – don’t have to be in biomedical research)
    - 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebration of Biomedical Research at Dartmouth
    - Poster session – biomedical research from diverse departments
      - Judged
    - Space to network with administration, faculty
    - Feedback from faculty on posters
    - Lets first year students observe labs they may be interested in rotating with
    - Raffle, food/drinks, mentoring award (faculty and student)
    - Advertising: Facebook, Twitter, emails, etc.
    - Grad studies article following the event
    - Adding student mentoring award
    - \$5300 in need, asking for \$1,000
      - Food expenses
      - Money will be used last (if less is spent, given back to department)
    - *Question: Attendance*
      - Anticipate 100-150 attendees as a whole
      - Over 40 presenters this year registered (41)
    - *What happens if no other money present?*
      - If overbudget, PEMM pays the remainder because manpower seen as monetary contribution
    - *Have prizes been purchaesd yet?*
      - No
    - *Why \$325 given to departments?*
      - Given based on what was contributed in past years and expected budget.
      - Went over last year, so asked for additional \$25 this year to try to mitigate that
    - *Why food expensive?*
      - Co-Op primary purchase location
    - *GSC funded previously?*
      - Past two years previously funding, gave \$600 each year

- previously (?)
  - *Closed discussion not listed*
  - **\$750 given**
- Dartmoose Hockey
  - Organization associated with GSC for over a decade
  - Usually funded through block funding, so no alert of when block funding request, which is why standard funding request – not a fault of the organization
  - Pick-up hockey league open to any and all graduate students of all skill levels
  - Biggest budget cost is renting through Thompson Arena
    - Running rate: \$140/skate
    - 20-30 skates throughout the fall and winter terms (September to April)
  - **Request: \$1,000 to offset costs so students can play hockey**
  - Members charged on per-skate basis to make up for that
  - *Question: How much charged?*
    - Everyone charged \$10/person, but some pre-pay several in advance
      - Re-evaluated based on attendance
  - *Question: How much have already?*
    - \$0.
  - *Question: Average show up?*
    - Lowest number is 12, so typically 14 to mid-to-upper twenties
  - *Question: Other programs?*
    - Not any
  - GSC-recognized organization
  - Typically, block funding around \$1,000
  - This year, 75-80% of funding requests satisfied for block funding
  - *Question: Lowest cost for state*
    - \$5 in spring
  - *Question: Would this be for the whole year?*
    - Yes
  - *Question: Lowest amount to run the club with?*
    - Last year with \$1,000 block funding, barely under breaking even
    - 1/3 of skates cancelled, and Thompson gave a bad spot for the spring term
    - Would want to let students skate for free ideally
  - *Closed discussions not listed*
  - **\$900 given**
- 5. Committee presentations
  - Academic: Conference travel grants
    - One \$1,000/term
    - Three-minute thesis: One every spring term
      - Itinerary, judges, set-up, etc.
    - Goal: Bridge the gap between departments (disconnect between STEM and humanities)
    - Talk to Ashley if you have questions!
  - Service:
    - Some events supported every year
    - Haven Dinner (cook every month)

- Food Drive
- New ideas welcome!
- Student Life:
  - Broad, so you can make it whatever you want
  - Mental Health initiative
  - Fresh Check Day
  - Activities Day
  - Documents and New Initiatives
    - Resource Guide
      - What resources are available to students
  - Mentorship training – led by chair
  - Tucker Center – gatekeeper/graduate student training
  - What's in the works?
    - Mental Health Mondays
    - "How to Adult" seminar series
    - Peer Support Advocate Program
      - Similar to Student Support Network
      - Point of contact
      - Interactive version of the resource guide, empathetic ear
  - More time intensive than other committee, but you can make it what you want!
  - Connections with resources on campus?
- Social Life
  - Bring together graduate students for fun events!
  - Committee members: Plan events
    - Ideas for events always welcome!
    - Food, drink, DJ, advertisements (fliering, facebook, talking about it departments, etc.)
    - Day-of events: Sober monitoring, cleaning up, set-up
    - Shift-based.
  - Email with questions!

### **Announcements:**

1. Hood After 5 (October 4)
2. John Batiste and Stay Human (October 4)
3. Lunch with Dean Kull (October 4)
3. Apple Picking (October 5)
4. Mental Health Monday Kick-Off (October 7)
5. 5th Annual Celebration of Biomedical Research at Dartmouth (October 8)
6. Hangeul (Korean language) Day (October 9)
7. 2019 Dartmouth Symposium for the Life Sciences, "Biological Insights Through OMICs" (October 22)
8. Hood Museum Symposium "The New Now: Art, Museums, and the Future" (October 25, October 26)