Graduate Student Government of Michigan Technological University

Meeting Date: July 10, 2017

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Agenda

III. Approval of Minutes from: June 12, 2017

IV. New Business
   A. Surplus Funding request: GSG water bottles (Lavanya)
      1. Niranjan explained the difference between surplus funding ($39,050.51) and discretionary funding ($8,000).
      2. Funding request for souvenir for 50th Anniversary of GSG:
         - provided as a momento for GSG reps, selected Grad school staff, BOT Members, etc.
         - Requested amount of $1,000
         - Voted in favor to fund the request

V. Officer Reports
   A. President (Hossein Tavakoli)
      1. Emergency funds: 2nd meeting is next tuesday (July 18th).
      2. Sustainability meeting on June 26th
      3. Liaison for housing contracts needed
      4. Orientation
         - Orientation for ME-EM Aug 29th from 11am to 4:30pm
         - Orientation for all grads on Aug. 30th from 11am to 4:30pm
         - GSG picnic held right after this orientation.
         - Volunteers needed for orientation and shopping trips (Hossein will share a document to sign up).
      5. Emails to Departments:
         - Make sure to CC Hossein whenever you send an email out to your department
   B. Vice-President (Josh Marshall)
      1. Liaison needed for Renter’s Rights (email Josh)
      2. Health Insurance for next year
         - Waiting on Ginger Sleeman
      3. Accessibility issues committee:
         - Let Josh know if you would like to suggest anything
      4. University Senate:
         - Presenting issues of graduate students to the University Senate in August. Email Josh if you have anything to add.
      5. GSG Softball Team
         - Need more members to play (email Bradley Wells)
      6. Password
         - Be aware that IT is changing the system to renew or change your password for your email.
   C. Secretary (Jennifer Dunn)- Nothing to report
D. Treasurer (Niranjan Miganakallu)
   1. Summer Travel Grants Processed- 33 students awarded
   2. Account balance: $85355.82
   3. Budget standing : $875.13/ $89,390.00
   4. Discretionary funding : $0 / $8,000.00
   5. Surplus funding : $0 / $39050.91

VI. Committee Chair Reports
   A. Academic (Lavanya Kumar)
      1. Need Analysis Survey Results:
         - They have created a list of top topics to discuss at each workshop.
         - Top Choices: Innovation and entrepreneurship, project management, research design, etc.
         - Preferred time for seminars/ GRC
         - Workshop Topic: Grant Writing; might have an external faculty.
      2. Alumni Reunion Poster Presentation on August 3rd
         - Need volunteers (Email Lavanya)
      3. Virtual Career Fair Committee
         - First meeting scheduled for July 11th
   B. Social (Kaitlyn Roose)
      1. Fill out the survey
      2. Picnic is currently being planned for the beginning of the semester

VII. Liaison Reports
   D. IT Liaison: Kevin Sunderland
      1. Zoom Software:
         - MTU has changed over to Zoom. The account will be tied through the university and you can download it to your account through the programs.

VIII. Adjournment