

# Graduate Student Government *of* Michigan Technological University

*Meeting Date: Sep 25, 2017*

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Approval of Agenda**
- III. **Approval of Minutes from: Sep 11th, 2017**
- IV. **New Business**
  - A. **Virtual Career Fair (Stephan Patchin, Career services)**
    1. Stephan Patchin discussed the virtual career fair details and listened to GSG's comments and concerns. He introduced the platform (Brazen) and mentioned future event's dates:
      - a. Email invitation with sign on info and video, Friday Oct 6th
      - b. Invitation of all grad students to create profile, Monday Oct 16
      - c. Lunch and Learn, Oct 23-25
      - d. Michigan Tech Grad school Virtual Career Fair, Thursday Oct 26 1-4pm
- V. **Officer Reports**
  - A. President (Hossein Tavakoli)
    1. Transportation
      - a) Awareness about current service by email/facebook/tech today
      - b) Student's request is clear and the message has sent to the transportation
      - c) Waiting to find the best time to meet with grad school, the director of transportation, and the director of facilities.
      - d) We is working at re-instituting the evening loops for the Daniell Heights.
      - e) Saturday Walmart shuttle started working for 2 weeks (Sep 23 and 30). Let see how many will use it. It will be developed accordingly. A Hancock route maybe added if students want it.
      - f) Hossein will be in the bus on Sat to check everything and gather data.
    2. IT will announce workshops directly to your email! The reps could feel free to share it with department.
    3. Food insecurity Council meeting was on Wed 9/13: The food leftovers is going to be shared with MTU students.
      - a) A room is WADS is reserved
      - b) IT is supposed to put a card reader at the entrance and only give access to specific people
      - c) Dining accept to provide the license (food safety)
      - d) canterbury house will help with volunteers
      - e) A freezer has been donated by Muslim Student Association
    4. Diversity Council meeting was Tue 9/12 (attended with Josh)
      - a) GSG liaison (Jamie Berger) will be on the recruitment and retention of students.

- b) GSG cultural event fund discussed
  - 5. Local kids Scholarship program
    - a) the goal: helping local kids (8-12 years old) to pay for school; GSG could partner with SKY Scholarship Program in Hancock. GSG will provide money through fund raising, and SKY will accept applications.
  - 6. Meeting with Grad school and Chinese Student Org. was on Tue 9/12: -talking about diversity and the reason they have applied less than previous years
  - 7. Deadline to send updates for the presentation on BOT is Oct 4th.
- B. Vice-President (Josh Marshall)
    - 1. Health care talking points; shared the document
  - C. Secretary (Jennifer Dunn)
    - 1. Reminder that attendance starts today for the semester.
    - 2. All departments must hold a Meet & Greet
  - D. Treasurer (Niranjan Miganakallu)
    - 1. Fall travel Grants are open from now until Oct. 13th at 5pm
    - 2. Account balance: \$98,269.79 (Univ. a/c + Wells Fargo a/c)
    - 3. Budget standing : \$11891.28/ \$89,390.00
    - 4. Discretionary funding : \$0 / \$8,000.00
    - 5. Surplus funding : \$1598.60 / \$39050.91

## VI. Committee Chair Reports

- A. Academic (Lavanya Kumar)
  - 1. 2nd Academic Seminar on 11th October
  - 2. 3MT 8th November 3-7 p.m
  - 3. Registrations and submissions of presentation ( 1st - 31st October)
  - 4. Contact potential judges
  - 5. External speaker potential dates: January: week of 22nd or March: week of 19th or 26th
- B. Social (Kaitlyn Roose)
  - 1. Social Committee Meeting: Thursday 6:30-7:30
- C. Public Relations (Leonid Surovitsky)
  - 1. The Results of Social Media Contests.

### Instagram:

- 1. The winner in the nomination "Funniest Picture is Deep Shah (@deepsh3)- \$25 (the prize has been sent)
- 2. The winner in the nomination "Biggest group selfie" is Jamie Berger (@bergerwithasideofcode- \$25 (the prize has been sent)
- 3. The winner in the nomination "Biggest amount of likes" is David Falish (@fal\_hf)- \$25 (the prize has been sent)
- 4. There is no winners in nomination "Scavenger hunt"
- 5. The winner in the nomination "Random post" is Jinit Mistry (@jinitmistry)- \$25 (the prize has been sent)

All winners will be informed privately and will have a prize \$25 gift card.  
The prizes for second places (small souvenirs from GSG, I mean bottles) are getting:

1. Sharath Kumar (@sharath\_k\_ankathi)- the bottle with GSG logo will be provided
2. Ajap Patil (@ajaypatil46)- the bottle with GSG logo will be provided
3. Rob Zupko (@rjzii)- the bottle with GSG logo will be provided
4. Sachin Rajput (@sachin111292)- the bottle with GSG logo will be provided

Unfortunately, nobody participated in twitter contests, therefore we will keep the prizes until next event.

**VII. Liaison Reports**

**VIII. Old Business & Discussion Items**

- A. Questions or concerns from GSG Representatives

**IX. Adjournment**