

GPAC Meeting Minutes  
22 February 2006 (5.30-6.30PM)

- Present: Doug, Rosaline, Carl, Jason, Thalia, Clarisse, Derek, Chris, Dick, Sharmita, Erika, Julayne, Puna, Meagan, Casey, Julia, Rowena.
- Non-Profit Committee
  - Doug commends NPC for success of “Biggest Heart for Public Service” canned food drive (winners: Health Administration).
  - Good job increasing visibility of NPC and getting all groups of SPPD involved.
  - Trivial Pursuit Night for NOLA/ Alternative Spring Break fundraising is cancelled. Has been replaced by:
    - Wine and Cheese Reception (Tuesday, Feb. 28)
      - 5-7PM, Gabilan Courtyard (Outside Social Work building)
      - Tickets sold in courtyard every day from 11AM-1PM for \$7 presale, or \$10 at door
  - Clarisse:
    - March of Dimes (Saturday, April 29)
      - 8-11AM
      - Goal to raise \$2500 with creating of graduate student team-working with GPSS, Law, and Business schools to recruit team members.
      - Planning pizza party kickoff and potential Pasta Dinner April 28.
- Elections/ Succession Planning
  - Rosaline has drafted tentative election timetable. Doug, Carl, Rosaline, and Thalia will help with implementation of election plan. Main events include:
    - Information Meeting for current officers and anyone interested (Wednesday, March 1, 5.30-6.30)
    - Registration- Nomination period (tentative March 1-17<sup>th</sup>)
    - Declaration of Candidacy (March 2-17<sup>th</sup> by 5PM)
    - Election (March 22-24<sup>th</sup> by 11.59PM)
    - Announce results (March 27<sup>th</sup>)
  - Everyone except NPC and Social Committees, solidify position descriptions and get them to Rosaline ASAP!
  - Alumni Representative Position
    - Discussion re: potential for including the position with the Prof. Development Committee
    - Arguments for keeping position separate include potential for Rep. to build and maintain alumni database and contact information, etc. Decision to keep separate and craft more detailed and descriptive description.
  - Decision to describe all positions on ballot as “Committee Chairs,” and allow option of identifying co-chairs or committee members in statements of candidacy.
  - Ballot Issues:
    - SurveyMonkey account: will consult Brianna Frazier, etc.

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- Award nominations: decision to keep same awards as last year (Professor, Adjunct Professor, Student, Alumni, and Staff member).
  - Nominations will be combined with voter registration period.
- Professional Development Committee
  - Mock Interviews (Derek)
    - 25-30 students interested so far, in process of assembling interview panel
    - Tentatively scheduled for 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> in Leavy Library
  - Networking Night
    - Send information of any possible alumni/ professional contacts that would be good to invite to Chris.
  - PA 80/ Public Interest Fund
    - PA 80 has presented concerns with administration, will likely not proceed as planned.
    - Public Interest Fund has administration support, Carl is working with Lola and Dean to identify a senior staff member to work with GPAC on planning and procedural issues.
    - May 6 Banquet will be Awards Dinner instead of carrying PA 80 theme, but alumni will be invited.
- International Committee
  - Int'l lunch scheduled for Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 1PM
    - Dim Sum at Ocean Star Sea Food, Monterey Park
    - RSVP to Sharmita by Friday for rough headcount
  - Plans for International Committee newsletter, to be discussed next time.
- Social Committee
  - Dinner and a Movie, Thursday March 23 (5.30PM)
    - \$19.99 for food and movie of choice, at the Howard Hughes Center
  - Happy Hour planned for next Friday (March 4). Details TBD.