

GPAC Meeting of the Officers
1/13/05 ~ 5:30pm- 7pm ~ Topping 201

Attendees: Jim Thomas, Lynn Kelly, John Keisler, Rajan Agarwal, Brianna Frazier, Sheila Slaughter, Doug Tripp, Ed Teelucksingh, Andrew Glass, Taryne Jayatilaka

Agenda topics

5:20-5:30pm Introductions and Updates John Keisler

Discussion:

Updates:

- GPAC account is up and running. We have access to a debit card and checking. This will give us flexibility since we do not have to rely solely on purchase orders.
- GPAC pens available for distributing.
- We now have mugs with the School of Policy, Planning and Development logo. They are available for fundraising at \$5 per mug.

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
N/A	N/A	N/A

5:30-5:45pm Vegas Update Ed Teelucksingh

Discussion:

Minutes

We are staying at Tropicana with 17 rooms. A driver is available on Saturday. The bus departs at 3pm on Friday 1/28. After discussing when we should get back from 3pm



his services changed to 12:30pm

- There is currently a plan to stop in Barstow for food
- Discussion arose about parking over the weekend – Ed is looking into permits, but encourages carpooling
- There are currently three or four spots available on the bus, let Ed know if you would like a spot on the bus.
- If you have not reserved a room, you will need to call the hotel yourself.
- The itinerary is soon to be posted.

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
We need to make sure that the student body understands that the trip is funded by the students going and not through organizational funds.	All	N/A

5:45-6pm Elections Doug Tripp

Discussion:

- Elections are currently scheduled for March.
- We will require those who want to vote to register. We can then use the email addresses in the future for things like nominating ones favorite professor etc.
- Goal is to make it electronic – looking at survey monkey
- Discussion about if a candidate proposes structural changes and whether they should run under the current system or their desired system. Should reform of GPAC's structure come before or after the candidate is elected?
- Debate also arose about whether the student organizations of SPPD should move toward a single organization – how do we increase unity among the different majors at SPPD?

- There was also the question on whether 2nd years should vote. John stated he felt we should promote a culture of legacy/ alumni involvement and thus 2nd years should vote.

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
Action – Ask GPSS to use survey monkey account Officers need to give Doug feedback about <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The extent Doug should be involved in the election process if he decides to run 2) What sort of event should take place for the elections i.e. speeches, info sessions? 3) By the 27th, officers should give a list of positions from their committee that will be up for election 	All Officers	27 th for list of positions
6pm – 6:15pm 2004 Successes/ 2005 Updates		John Keisler
Discussion:		
John distributed a list of 2004 successes and 2005 updates.		
Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
Please see the attachment.	N/A	N/A
6:15-Adjournment Committee Updates		All
Discussion:		
Social Committee:		
Taryne briefed the officers on the planning of upcoming events from the social committee.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Events should be posted on the GPAC calendar. • There was discussion about moving events away from Apr. because it is such a stressful month. • We were also informed that non-alumni can be invited to the networking event. • There is also a push to create more events that do not involve alcohol. • If you would like a copy of the handout of the social committee's plans, email me at smslaugh@usc.edu and I will get you a copy. 		
Nonprofit Committee		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allison and Clarrise are current organizing 3 events <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Race for the cure (Pasadena) 2) 1 full scale coordinated event, 3) A tsunami event 		
A discussion developed on whether GPAC should donate \$500 for Tsunami relief and then fundraise to recoup the amount. Or, should it just help current efforts such as GPSS events and the planned nonprofit committee event.		
Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
Email sent to officers requesting vote on Tsunami issue.	All Officers	N/A

****Next Meeting: Thursday, January 27, 2005 RGL 103