

GSA Meeting Agenda

November 11th, 12:00-1:00 PM, DRCI 1002 and Zoom

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1. Provide updates and upcoming events
 - a. November Lunch and Learn is the last one for the semester
 - b. Green Space Event: this weekend, soccer game at Werner Park
 - c. Scavenger Hunt by Graduate Studies will be forthcoming (November 23rd)
 - d. Game day during December monthly meeting
 - e. Cookie competition next month
2. Surveys
 - a. Reassurance of anonymity and no linking of name/email to answers
 - b. For students to fill the surveys out to provide the strategic planning committees with good information on how to improve the issues/concerns of graduate students in Mentorship, Wellness, and Diversity/Inclusion
 - c. Mentorship survey was sent out, due by November 23rd
 - d. Paper copies present if a student would like to fill it out here at the meeting
 - e. No concerns in person or on zoom
3. Wellness Advocate
 - a. Similar to Dr. Shenarts in college of medicine
 - b. An intermediary between students and administration that advocates for students on different issues
 - c. Would provide comradery and resilience in graduate students in their personal, professional, and academic lives
 - d. Help teach and mentor student on how to navigate academic issues, professional issues, career, and bring the graduate students together
4. Shuttle Service
 - a. Plan for service after 5 or 6 until 11-12 pm and 1 timer per hour
 - b. Question: What is the main mode of communication for students on location and times?
 - i. Not sure yet, still in the planning phase, most likely 1 location
 - ii. Communicate via email or an app
 - c. Pilot study for a month to see if it is working/helping
 - d. People would use it
5. Lyft Credits
 - a. May need to pay a fee to receive the \$50 credit
 - b. Would students use the Lyft credit?
 - i. Yes, but it is hard to find drivers
 - c. Student mentioned that the credits can only be used after 7pm
6. CAPS

- a. Students have had good interaction with CAPS thus far, but diversity in the counselors is a problem
- 7. Stress and mental health
 - a. Student had mentioned that easy to create events but hard to eliminate the stress; more events could add to the stress
- 8. It Interaction
 - a. Student contacted It but they never responded, also DRC I elevator and printers hasn't been working
 - b. One student has had trouble to connect to the Wi-Fi on campus. This is a reoccurring problem; IT has been helpful but with no solution yet
 - c. One student was told the sign in has changed for the Wi-Fi but has not been communicated to students
 - d. Problems with TK421: college of medicine is gathering incidences; student senate is working on this with the college of medicine because IT attributed issues to old computers
 - e. TK421 might not be the Wi-Fi for personal laptops, IT may have changed it to the medicine one
 - i. Need communication
 - f. One student said that the class pages offered for a semester aren't up to date
 - g. Seguidor issue- can't put in the time of a committee meeting (meeting that goes am to pm)
 - h. Student response that the new website design is hard to navigate
 - i. Helpful to have a list of classes that is offered each semester in all programs
 - ii. Get a list before registration ends
- 9. Social events or industry events
 - a. Students are interested in utilizing industries on site and with representatives coming here
- 10. Safety on Campus
 - a. Student answer of a shuttle may be important in the morning as well.
 - i. Crosswalk between Wittson and Sorrell needs better signage since cars most of the time do not stop
 - ii. Check on the sidewalk/stairs from Emile to the printing service building (down the hill)
- 11. Seminars
 - a. Trying to get a list of all seminars from each program in graduate studies
 - b. Student answer on subscribing to seminars, used to posted on a calendar, a separate page for seminars would be good
 - c. Concern: would a seminar outside of a student's program count for their program?
Answer: that would be up to the program
 - d. Would like to have a page or calendar for all seminars
- 12. Student announcement: Orpheum Theater discount for UNMC students
 - a. Arrive to a show 90 minutes before start and receive a discounted ticket