Call to Order: 2:07pm (by George Morales)

Roll Call:
Members Present: George Morales, Michael (Mike) Cocuzza, Louisa Upadhyya, Mya Eaton, Faith Gordon, Noemi Coltea, Amber Sobel, Juan Barrenche, Julianne Agonis, Nikki Diggs, Rachel McCray, Ramon Garcia-Areas
Members Absent: LaTasha Lee, Carlo Parker

Approvals
Motion to approve minutes: Juan, Second Michael
Motion to emit all members: Juan, Second Noemi. Ramon entered at 2:15pm
Motion to amend the agenda- Dan Partouche will be presenting with Amber & Juan.
Motion to approve the agenda w/modifications: Mya, Nikki

Open Forum
none

Old Business
Owl Awards: Currently, there are 74 nominations. No nominations for organization of the year. Food has been ordered, alcohol is going to be purchased. Decorations are in order. Script has been drafted, please invite your friends & encourage people to attend. Volunteers are needed to help: Noemi, Julianna, George, Louisa, Nikki, Ramon, Michael, Dan Partouche. Volunteers need to be there by 5pm.
The Friday before we will be doing the table arrangement. Help is needed on the 12th. Dan Partouche & Michael can assist with this. Alcohol is being provided by Alumni. Amber: Almost 70 students have RSVPed and 10 faculty/staff have RSVPed. Tuesday, we will be working on the selection process. People can meet at 10am to help with this.

New Business
Career Development Partnership: (Amber, Juan & Dan)
Graduate Career Development Week: November 16-19th.
- Workshops on location: the 16th-19th. Still waiting to finalize location for the November 19th location. Dan can email out the flyers to the graduate students.
- Carlo is assisting with the Nursing session.
- Ramon can not assist with the Medical session, but would like to see it recorded. Faith will be in attendance as a GSA rep. Dan plans to hopefully simulcast all sessions.
- Tyane will be assisting with the Davie campus.
- Michael will be assisting to set up the workshop in the College of Business.
- Dan will be available for at least 2 hrs for each session.
- It would be great to have the videos posted on line

Dan thanked the GSA group for assistance with the Career Panel. He felt it was one of the most successful that they have done.

Travel Committee: This week there was no travel requests.
George would like to see a spreadsheet which indicates travel requests/approved information by college.

Bylaws Committee:
Mya: committee has been discussing via email issues to look at. The biggest change on hand is the changing of the Campus groups to GSA Boca, GSA Broward, GSA Northern, etc. … We’re waiting on our last committee member to vote on this.
Michael: I was the last person to vote, and I agree with the suggestion.
Mya: The names would be GSA Boca Raton Campus, GSA Broward Campuses, GSA Northern Campuses.
Mya: I would like to motion to change the names of the groups on each campus to the GSA Boca Raton Campus, GSA Broward Campuses, and GSA Northern Campuses.
Louisa seconded it.
Heather will connect with Karen regarding the change of the logo to include Broward in the GSA. She also will be in contact with her about northern
Faith suggested that each campus request a logo with the name on it.
The logo with campus name would be flyers, letterhead, etc. It would be use for general flyers but not promotional items.

Call to Vote for Name Change:
Mya, Faith, Noemi, George, Juan, Julianna, Nikki, Michael, Rachel and Ramon
All were in favor of the name change. Motion passes.

Mya: Another item looked at with Bylaws was the payment of the chairs. It was also suggested that we increase the rate of the directors.
George: All changes in payment would be directly related to the budget request and it being funded.
Mya: Next meeting will be our last bylaws committee report. If you have any other questions or suggestions regarding the bylaw changes.
Heather explained that bylaws need to be approved by the Senate.
Mike: So would we wait to get the bylaws changed in the senate until after the budget changes.
George: explained the process of the Senate approval.
Mya: so we would wait until then

Research Day
Juan: need to plan first meeting very soon w/ Giselle. She is really helpful in getting submissions and working on the event planning.

Research Grants
Budget
Need to get budgets requests from each campus within the next 10 days, and then take days
together to work on compilation. Juan will be helping to give history of past budgets. We would
like to have a meeting in person to go over requests line by line.
George: After proposal is done, we would need to meet & vote as a board to vote on proposed
budget.
Heather: I suggest just doing a budget committee meeting.
Mike: Requested that the directors please submit campus budget request by the 19th of
November.

Strategic Planning
Faith: We are planning a retreat for the Board. Need about 3-5 hours of time together. Either
before the end of the semester or in early January before the semester starts.
Julianna: I would prefer that it is before the semester occurs.
George: We need to plan the meeting for either the first week of class or the week before
classes start.
Motion- schedule for the 4th of January, Michael, Seconded, by Noemi. Approved by unanimous
vote, no opposition.

UGPC Report
Mike: The UGPC doesn’t have a representative from the College of Business and some courses
and the program tracks were discussed. The University Programs committee didn’t have a
representative from College of Business
George: A new PhD program will hopefully be reviewed by an outside company, and Mike & I
will be a part of that process.
Mya: What is UGPC?
Mike: Colleges meet to discuss course additions, changes and approves changes; additionally
they makes recommendations to the Provost.
George: We give okays to starts of programs - like the Medical Program

UGC Report
George: I sent a report about the thesis & dissertation guidelines. This is phase 2 of changes
that were put together last year. The library is phasing out book binding and collection of thesis
hard copies. Colleges are determining if students need to have paper documents or just
electronic documents. Mike and I are also on the disciplinary action committee. We review
complaints about thesis & dissertation pieces.

Chair Report
George: This may be the last GSAAB meeting of the semester. I would like to have another
Directors meeting in Broward before the end of the semester. I will work with Mya to set that up.

BGC Report
Louisa: In October we had a welcome reception for President Saunders. 4 members from the
BGC received the 120 people in attendance. Got to see the President give speeches, it was a
nice networking social. On Nov. 2, we partnered with Broward Student Government to do this on
the Davie campus, helped purchase food for the event. Karen said it was phenomenal. There
were Native American dancers in regalia.
Mya: We have a graduate funding workshop on Tuesday. Mike & Tasha are assisting. On
November 17, we will be having a Career Development session. Tyan will be helping with this.
During finals, we are sponsoring meditation on the three campuses. In January we are planning a networking/etiquette workshop. In February we are planning a “Get a little Love event” for community service.

**BRGC Report**
Juan: We appreciate help with Owl Awards. We will be having a mixer on Saturday, November 20 at Seasons 52 from 4-6pm. There will be flat bread food, drink specials. Max of people attending is about 50 people.
Dan: If you have a flyer, I will distribute it at the career workshops.

**NGC Report**
Faith: Did a bang-up job representing AAGC convention in Clearwater - promoted to people from throughout the nation. There will be an East Meets West Sushi Party will now be Monday, November 8. Sushi will be from Haikaido.
COE- at Henderson school is having a Research Day.

Noemi: President Saunders had an Inauguration party at Torrey Pines, I represented the GSA at the event and got to meet some Board members and share what GSA is. Faith and I will be delivering cookies & milk to graduate students on campus during finals week.

**College Reports**

*College of Arts & Letters* Rachel: Have been helping students in College of Arts & Letters to work on registering. Sent out an email to the group regarding upcoming events.
Amber: When does the Living Room Theater open?
Rachel: Next week.

Mya: If people need help with funding or events, I want to invite the College Reps to come to the GSA Directors to help with programming funding and advocacy.

*College of Business* Mike: College of Business showcase- 13 companies are presenting on various topics- medical, engineering- that are more than just business. There may be good opportunities for people no matter what the major. November 12 at Hilton at Deerfield Beach-$50 for all day- 8-5pm. - I sent out the link.
Career Development Seminar on November 10.
For those doing research- there is a strategic grant writing workshop at Nova. Mike sent emails about all the programs.

*College for Design and Social Inquiry* Nikki: The College is working on 10 scholarships for females. Working on an alumni reunion during spring break. Had a costume parade for the Cure Telathon- came very close to reaching the goal of $100,000.
Brendan Wood INTL will be sponsoring research & academic funding for students for publishing and dissertation. Not sure if just for my college. See Nikki for more information.

*College of Education* Julianna: COE SAC is having a research symposium joining current research with alumni, Dr. Saunders will be attending. Coordinated by Dr. Steve Rios.
Mya: 12 students from FAU did presentations at the AACE program. We had great FAU representation & giveaways that showed who we were.
**College of Engineering** George: Hosting a conference for a lot of people of Caribean, Latin America & Spain. Opportunities for students to get in to grad school, get jobs and showcase research. Had a student opening ceremony for the Engineering building yesterday. There were some big problems moving grad students over, there has been a big issues in moving equipment and we won't be able to move over until December 10. Was a $45 million project, platinum level leads building. It is an engineering marvel. There is a beautiful faculty lounge with a wet bar. I would encourage GSA to host an event at the bar.

**College of Medicine** Ramon: Most important thing going on is the LCME accreditation process. We had a fundraiser for one of the international students who's father passed away. We raised $2000 for her to go back home. We have a subscription to Science magazine given to us by the Dean, so we will be able to participate in excellent seminars.

**College of Nursing** Carlo: Absent

**College of Science** Tasha: Absent

**Open Forum**

none

**Motion to Adjourn**- Juan, Second Mike.