GAIA Weekly Meeting Minutes

**Date: October 23, 2013**

**Location: SMD 038**

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|  | **Attendance (Y/N )** |
| President: Nicole Moffett | Y |
| VP Uni Affairs: Emma Jia | Y |
| VP Finance: Amy Huang | Y |
| VP Commmunication Franco: Leo Ayotte | Y |
| VP Communication Anglo: Rosalind Ragetlie | Y |
| VP Social Affair Franco: Felix Mercure | Y |
| VP Social Affairs Anglo: Levi Geautrault | Y |
| Secretary: Rebecca T.Doherty | Y |

1. Welcome!
2. Attendance
3. Year Reps
   1. Will hopefully be attending next week’s meeting!
   2. Keep them updated! We will soon start to incorporate them into our tasks.
   3. Ryan had his first task yesterday, went to philanthropic meeting. He is going to send Nicole the notes from that. It’s a good opportunity for him.
4. BOD Meeting update
   1. Constitutional committee: happening on Nov 13. They’ve asked for all MA’s to go and look at the SAFA constitution and see if there are discrepancies, or if you see things you think should be changed in the future. Emma will take part in this -
   2. #SouriezUOsmiles : Campaign run by Nicolette – basically you can tweet or message about something you like about the school, or a nice reflection. #souriezUOSmiles.
   3. Senate reform proposal
   4. Next BOD is on nov 10.
   5. Next Sunday is the BOA meeting – if none wants to attend?
   6. Finance approved SAFA’s budget for the year. They re-did all the audits that weren’t done properly last year, so they got some money back – they’re giving it to arts retreat, and other things, and to MA’s. they put money into scholarships too. There will be 3 philanthropic ones, some to fine arts, and another section to humanities.
   7. They have extra money in MA proposed scholarchips, that you have to submit by nov.22 – we probably wont do that, as we already do other scholarships.
   8. Nicole is now part of the committee to changing approach to audits .
   9. Theatre haunted house happening on Friday. Taking money from 10-6 to go to charity.
   10. Nov 14 –thespis is having a party at 1848. To raise money for movember. Ipod battle on Nov 22. At 1848 as well.
   11. Scarry movies in café alt on 30/31.
   12. Nicole is going to bring in the draft measure for senate proposal – read through and put input to bring to the next BOD.
5. Department meeting
   1. They’re looking at n new focus on northern indigenous communities into the department a lot more. New course development, or making it a mandatory unit in topics. Maybe a new ‘northern geography’ course.
   2. They’re looking at a new collaborative masters program [ science and policy school addition on top of the masters in geo] – new collaboration passed, but it wasn’t unanimous.
   3. For next meeting they’ll know looking for a new chair. Crichton going on sabbatical.
6. Computer: Ros is still working on it. Free coffee in FSS if you bring your own mug.
7. Faculty council: leo will talk to Nicolette for next week.
8. Muggy Mondays: We’re going to help promote each other. All agree on that.
9. Green Umbrella: Nicole went to the meeting, and thinks its neat. An area to communicate similar minded events. There were 5 other people there. Engineering students, office and center for sustainability – reps from the law faculty, and a few people missing. Since it’s a new initiative, everyone built it from the ground up – keep it non partisan . Really just a space to help each other promote sustainable things. Be a collective voice.
   1. Would require monthly meetings – since it’s a new initiative it is up to us how much work we want to put into it.
   2. for: 5 Against: 0 Neutral: 1
10. GIS Day
    1. Nicole talked to wes, and transport Canada – they now know its hard for student to commit from 8-noon. If we don’t get a good response, people can just attend individual workshops. It would be ideal to fill up as many as we can for the full thing, before offer registration for individual sessions.
    2. Promo:
       1. Leo: The doodle went well for the hike, so we should do that.
       2. Nicole also suggesting a list posted on the gaia office door.
       3. **These things need to happen by Monday October 28 at the latest.** 
          1. **Facebook page - comms**
          2. **Sheet on the door - nicole**
          3. **Doodle set up - comms**
          4. **Posters - comms**
    3. Registration - would be ideal if we could fill up all 17. The best thing would be to have the full thing being advertised for week 1, then week 2 we will advertise the individual workshops.
    4. We need to order a GIS day cake - **Becca Will order** - will get quotes for next week.
    5. Nicole is going to talk to Wes to see if they have actually asked the faculty for money yet.
11. President updates
12. Secretary update
13. VP Uni Affairs update
    1. UART on Nov 8 – she will talk to Nicolette about scholarship ideas.
    2. Will confirm details on smiles campaign
14. VP Communications update
    1. Apparel – Ros will be selling the apparel then. Felix will help her carry things. Use the cash in the cash box.
    2. Newsletter: leo will do that today during her office hours – is going to send it today – will include GIS day stuff.
    3. Waiting to hear back on quotes for the apparel.
    4. There was a request; someone wants to be posted on the web site.
    5. CRT on Wednesday
    6. Leo: Info on GeoOlympics. From Friday - Sunday at 1 10-12 in January. . Theme is now geography through time. We have to choose a geography invention – and make a short presentation. There’s all food included. Bar nights, games during the days. 120 per person. We give them a number by the end of November.
       1. We have to consider transportation. Busses or car.
       2. **Leo will start promo on this.**
15. VP Social update
    1. 50/50? It did not happen. Levi should do that today. He’s going to pull three numbers, if no body claims it - it will go to the charity.
    2. Register our campaign under Gee Gees for awesome – **Levi will do it.**
    3. Apparel sale:
    4. Upcoming:
       1. Gatineau Park Hike
          1. Attending -
          2. Communication to attendees -
          3. Donation collections –
          4. Trail? Felix will check out the map.
          5. Snacks? Apples and granola bars. **Felix will do this.**
          6. Cash for bus – huge difference in price for cash.
             1. 4: for, 1: against, 1: neut.
             2. Nicole will let Amy know when she can go to the bank with her to get the cash.
          7. Royal Oak – Basement of Royal Oak. Booked for 4:00
       2. November 2nd Scavenger Hunt 11-6.
          1. Promo -
          2. Attendance –
             1. **Felix** is going to check on all this info, we don’t have all the details for this yet.
          3. Food/other contributions – they still want us to contribute to pizza
    5. Bake Sale: on Halloween? On Wednesday Oct 30.
       1. Can we see if we can get a table – **Emma will look into that.** When she finds out if we can get a table – let exec know, **COMMS will make posters.** All the year reps.
16. VP Finance update
    1. Audit – she will print out minutes, and highlight her sections. Its not late yet. **Not due until nov.01.** Will meet Shawn next week and make sure nothing is wrong with it.
    2. Weebly pay Chris – when Nicole and Amy go to the bank for the bus money, they will also get a cheque for Chris boss. Weebly automatically charged his card for our domain name.
    3. **Amy’s going to make the new budget by the end of the week.**
17. Questions/uncertainties/etc
18. Varia
    1. Exec Bonding: 25th doesn’t work anymore. **Nicole will send out a new doodle.**