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Senate Meeting Minutes
February 12th, 2014
HUB 334

Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

Chris L: I call this meeting to order at 5:36pm. I will entertain a motion to approve the agenda.

Duru Alttug (Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations): I move to approve the agenda.


Approval of Minutes

Chris L: Any objections? Thank you. I will now entertain the motion to approve the minutes.

Colin Bateson (Mechanical Engineering): So moved.

Eric Scheufler (Germanics): Second.

Previously on GPSS

Chris L: Any objections? We have a set of approved minutes. Moving on to Previously on GPSS. We talked mostly about legislative things and Lobby Day, which we went to last Thursday. It was a great success and we had a lot of fun. It was really cold so we spent as little time outside as possible. We talked to a lot of legislators and had a lot of interesting conversations. We also talked to legislative assistants as well. We got to see a little bit of action and some even got to see committee action. Then we took an awesome picture on the floor of the House which if it isn’t on our website yet, it will be really soon. So pretty sweet. We also talked about the impending possible cuts of King County Metro, which there is a rapidly organizing coalition around that to encourage the King County Council to pass a series of measures to provide funding for that, which Chris will tell you more about in his legislative update. We talked about travel grants. Those were the high points. If there any questions on those things or you need to get caught up, let me know after the meeting. Moving along, we have a special guest, Josh Kavanagh who is the director of Transportation Services. He’s here to tell us about a minor proposed change to the student u-pass program. We just wanted to make sure that we’re all informed.

Transportation Services Presentation

Joshua Kavanagh (Director of Transportation Services): I apologize but we’re going to do a really deep dive into the weeds before we pull back up. What I wanted to speak to you about today is a proposal that has been circulating. The u-pass program has 3 different funding sources that come into it. One of which is the universal student u-pass fee and the other two
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Working Group Members:

- Ragan Hart, Public Health Genetics
- Sara Diedrich, Public Health Nutrition
- Gary Hothi, Social Work
- Esra Camci, Oral Biology
- Mike Babb, Geography
- Chris Lizotte, Geography
Peer Mentoring Program Feedback Discussion

Principle # 1: The mentoring program shall be cross-campus and cross-disciplinary
Peer Mentoring Program Feedback Discussion

Principle # 2: The program shall be a collaboration between units across campus, including the Graduate School and the Counseling Center, in order to preserve its longevity
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Principle # 3: The peer mentoring program is *not* meant to be a replacement for trained mental health professionals.
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Principle # 4: Appropriate training will be offered for free to peer mentors, along with ongoing support services.
Peer Mentoring Program Feedback Discussion

Items for discussion:

- What qualities should be sought in peer mentor applicants?
- What should be the minimum commitment asked of peer mentors?
- What level of demographic specificity should potential mentees be able to request in a mentor?
- What level of oversight should GPSS have of the program and in what form?
- Anything else?
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