

Graduate Student Association Meeting

Agenda

Thursday, 2/2/2023 / 5:30PM TO 6:30 PM / Via Zoom

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<https://ualr-edu.zoom.us/j/8439881915>

Members Present

Rebekah White, Imraul Emmaka, Bushra Sajid, Ibrahim Oladele, Karen Kuralt, Megan Alexander, Nahiyen Noor, Joseph Asante, Mavis Forson

Members Absent

New members present

Afrin Sadia, Omotolani Jimoh, Blaise Casado, Chloe Deaton, Kelle Watts, Keshy Cathey, Lotenna Nwana, Lydia Julian, Max Cloninger, Michelle Crain, Sayantan Bhattacharya, Tahany Rashed, Joie Lea Mororunkwere

Others Present

Tusty ten Bensei, Christy Crawford

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5:31 Imraul starts meeting

1. Dr. Bensei's presentation on Academic Affairs Strategic Plan
 - a. Going over university goals
 - b. Kelle Watts requests way to submit feedback
 - c. Imraul to send out feedback link and goals and Objectives document link after meeting
2. [Christy Crawford](#)'s presentation on Alpha Epsilon Lambda
 - a. Christy Crawford wants to restart AEL at UALR
 - b. Last induction was 3 years ago
 - c. Christy will be president for this year
 - d. Leaders of the organization can be leaders of the GSA, Christy Crawford, and already inducted AEL members.

- e. We need to induct a new class
 - f. IT director can run a GPA report to find all the students who meet the top 35% qualification.
 - g. Eligibility is also extended to students who are already involved in leadership roles across the university
 - h. Dues are \$50: \$25 national, \$25 local
3. Max Cloninger has concerns about scholarship information not populating correctly in scholarship universe
4. Nomination Open Officer Positions
- a. Secretary
 - i. Sayantan Battacharya
 - ii. Ashlee Smith
 - b. PR secondary
 - i. Lydia Julian
 - c. Senators
 - i. CHASSE
 - 1. Blaise Casado
 - ii. CBHHS
 - 1. Max CLoninger
 - 2. Kesha Cathey
 - d. Bowen Senator
 - i. Blaise Casado
5. Workshops:
- a. Dr. Basu - Scientific paper workshop, end of February (two parts)
Hybrid; snack and learn
 - b. Dr. Huff - Cybersecurity, timeframe not decided (maybe march?)
 - c. Dr. Kuralt - Dissertation and thesis formatting, early april
 - d. Dr. Springer LaTeX workshop
6. GSA Committee Representation
- a. Grad Council
 - i. Syantan Bhattacharya
 - ii. Blaise Casado
 - b. System Relations
 - i. Max Cloninger

7. Semester goal - consolidate videos and GSA files; beefing up social media
 - Graduate school GA's may be able to help with PR and social media
 - Dora Bradley would like to help with this project
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8. Need to order office supplies:
 - a. Supplies needed: printer ink, paper, pen, stapler, tape, thumbtacks
 - b. Nahiyah Noor will work on this
9. I <3 Grad Faculty - names needed by March 15th (roughly)
 - Flier needed
 - Google form needed
 - Imraul
 - Dora Bradley will help with this
10. Bailey alumni center - graduation party
 - pick a date and book it
 - follow up: deposit for registration? How much?
 - Community Bakery
 - Fassler Hall
 - Kesha Cathey - catering and food list
11. GSA Fun Event: Bowling Night
 - a. Lydia suggests Dust Bowl
 - b. Syantan suggests Professor Bowl
 - c. Dr. Kuralt suggests Millenium Bowl
12. Second Friday Night Arts Nights suggested by Dora Bradley
 - a. <http://2ndfridayartnight.org/>
13. Sayantan suggests
 - a. "Rebekah, we can introduce a college magazine, where people can submit writing, poems, experience. UALR has a diverse student community, so it may be a good idea. I am not sure how this idea will be entertained thats why I am sending you directly."
14. Dr. Kuralt
 - a. Introduced Lydia Julian as Graduate School
15. Open Forum
 - a. Informal coffee shop hangouts

Meeting adjourned at 6:44 PM