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**Meeting Minutes**

**November 8, 2021**

## Opening

The regular meeting of the Graduate Student Senate was called to order at 7:04pm on November 8, 2021 in the PSU Union Club by Richard Edwards, President.

## Open Issues

Introduction of appointed board members from previous meeting: Katelyn, Mark, Kavya, Dhruv, Mohammed

## New Business

Officer Reports:

SGA Rep: Updated

Faculty Senate Rep: SGA Resolution to use Bb more

SOFAC: Meetings start soon

Programming: No Report

Communication:

* 3MT Friday
  + Competition 5pm McQueary Family Health Sciences Building Rm 126
  + Reception 6pm O’Reilly Clinical Health Sciences Building
    - Food and drinks at reception
    - All Graduate Students are invited

Finance: Looking for ideas for fundraising, potentially moving our bank account to Commerce on campus

VP: No Report

President:

* Graduate Council:
  + Admission requirements change: no more test requirement for grad school admission, just a 2.75 GPA and/or recommendation letters for below 2.75 GPA. Test only required if program requires it.
  + Dr. Russell- Discussion regarding GA/TA compensation. Comparatively to other schools, MSU GAs are underpaid. Springfield cost of living is higher than pay. Many GAs would prefer bimonthly pay.
    - Dean Masterson forming a workgroup to discuss this issue. Looking for 2 current GA/TAs to serve on workgroup with faculty/staff to continue to investigate this.
* 3MT Friday
* Graduate Research Showcase November 19th
  + Digital presentation
  + Will get feedback from librarians/other faculty on your presentation
  + Great way to show off your work
  + Meyer Library 120
  + 4pm-6pm
* Social event

## Agenda for Next Meeting

List the items to be discussed at the next meeting.

## Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:28 by Richard Edwards, President. The next general meeting will be at 7pm on December 6, 2021, in PSU Union Club.

| Minutes submitted by: | Katelyn Bellings |
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| Approved by: | Richard Edwards |