

Meeting minutes for: September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019

## Updates from the General Assembly

- October meeting date was originally scheduled for Wednesday October 16<sup>th</sup>, but was moved to Tuesday October 15<sup>th</sup> at 4pm in Graves Hall due to the career fair that Wednesday hosted by the university's post-doctoral association.
- Kyle Sullivan, student representative, thanked everybody for attending the annual retreat and requested feedback from attending members. Students enjoyed the timing and location but wished for more substantial faculty student interaction and more focus on student accomplishments. Announced that this year's **recruitment** will be **January 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>**.
- Nicki Pukos, student representative, announced some preliminary information regarding next year's annual retreat which may be an overnight event in honor of the program's 30-year anniversary. She also mentioned that Keri Knowles, program administrator, will be sending out NGP newsletters that include relevant program information and student spotlights.
- Sarah Light, unofficial CGS representative, talks of unionizing graduate students are happening. The funding cycle for the Ray Travel award and career development award. Applications close November 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Updates from the Executive Board

- Sarah Light (President)
  - The constitutional changes in section C to clarify voting membership of NGSO. Need 50% of vote of those members in attendance, and if fewer than 10 members are present than a vote will not happen. The changes were voted on and passed.
- Josh Riekamp (Vice President)
  - Working on the program guides for the website.
- Ben Seicol (Treasurer)
  - No updates.
- Kia Adams (Secretary)
  - No updates. Please let her know if you have any questions or concerns regarding the NGSO minutes. E-mail: [adams.2118@osu.edu](mailto:adams.2118@osu.edu)

## Updates from the Committee Chairs

- Zoe Tapp (Social chair)
  - Working on planning monthly happy hours and sent out a survey to request information regarding winter formal!
- Shane O'Neil (NewN chair)
  - No update.
- Athena Howell (Fundraising chair)
  - Voted on a new NGSO t-shirt design.
- Ben Seicol (Professional Development chair)
  - MCDB program has database resources for informational interviews. Would like to plan one professional development event per semester. Planning a networking for introverts event.
- Jackie Anderson (Web Development Chair)
  - No update.

## Concluding Remarks & Next Meeting Date

Thank you for reading! Next meeting: October 15<sup>th</sup> after seminar.