

Graduate Student Association
Minutes: Thursday, Nov 2, 2006

Presidential Report: Earl Eiland reminds us that there is a **“Whats on your Mind” forum for students to speak with Dr. Lopez and Dr. Maestas on Wednesday Nov. 15, 2006 at 6pm in MSEC 101.** Food will be provided. This is an opportunity to bring up issues effecting graduate and undergraduate students which need to be dealt with or modified. This is part of a renewed initiative on the part of the administration to allow students to be more involved in their destiny here at Tech and have a say in major funding allocation issues. In order to keep the administration’s attention, all graduate students are strongly encouraged to show up.

Insurance Committee: currently we are developing a GSA representation committee to help advise Brandon Santer et al. develop an RFP for a new insurance contract. If you want to participate in this committee, contact Earl Eiland eee@nmt.edu.

Lindsay Hamilton: Guest SA president announces they are working on two activities for this fall. (1) A music department Magical Feast (2) Winterfest. Keep posted for these upcoming events

Webpage for GSA conference is up and running. If you have any suggestions, contact the webmaster, zzong@nmt.edu.

Grants Committee: Melissa Dimeo reports that there will need to be an **“Emergency Grants Guidelines Committee”** formed to deal with creating newer, stricter standards for emergency grant applications to impede an abuse of this option. Contact mdimeo@nmt.edu if you want to be part of this committee.

GSA Thanksgiving Dinner will be held at Ranchers Steakhouse on Nov 16th at 6:00pm. Donations of 2 cans of food and \$2 dollars for admission.

Madrigal Feast and Festival: GSA has agreed to fund 20 student tickets. This amounts to \$7 from the GSA for the first 10 tickets and \$10 for all additional tickets. Tickets will then be sold to grad students for \$8 each. Contact mdimeo@nmt.edu if you would like to buy a ticket to the feast.

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