

GPIA Student Government

September 14, 2007

17:00 – 18:30

66 West 12th St, Rm 601

Meeting called by: Amy Walker and James Baker

Type of meeting: General

Note taker/Timekeeper: Emily Molfino

Attendees:

Amy Walker, James Baker, Aparna Rau, Andy Thorton, Eduardo, Michelle Betton, Tami Cohen,

Minutes

Agenda item: Student government positions needing to be filled

Discussion:

Open positions: Secretary, Social Outreach Coordinator, Vice Chair

Conclusions:

James Baker said he'll do some Social Outreach Coordinator jobs (looking into a bar where GPIA students can meet once a week

The student run bar, The Lang, might be a possible get together place

Action items

Deadline

- Emily Molfino is the new Secretary
 - Aparna Rau is the new Vice Chair
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Agenda item: Students (Student Affiliation Cards, Printing Policy, Study Space, and Curriculum updates)

Discussion

New School business cards (AKA student Affiliation Cards) is a pilot program. This is why they are only available to "student graduating in Spring 2008"

Printing policy (\$50 per semester) is new. Debate on how and if we can get it to increase. Unfair that some student get one amount while others get more.

If needing place to study, go to NYU Bobst Library.

Curriculum updates are slowly taking place: core classes are going to made more similar (ex. Global Flows will books and topics all students cover). Certain IFPs are requiring now required/recommended classes (i.e. language courses).

Agenda item: "Community Building" Endeavors – International issue of focus

Discussion

Hold weekly/bi-weekly events (ranging from documentary screening, guest lecturer, debate, etc). There were questions as to whether to keep this only GPIA or make say the second semester more formal and invite everyone. A possibility is to hold a informal reception to discuss and introduce the topic.

Photo/Art show: Put on a display show bringing in pictures GPIA students took on the IFPs (and elsewhere?). Decorate office area "walls" with art too. Cost main issue of debate.

Conclusions:

Depending on the topic, can have The Issue of Focus last one semester to one year.

Possible topics: (1) Digital inclusion – "Learn to unlearn what you've been taught." (2) Bring in local NYC groups and focus on one per week discussing their unique situations and histories.

Action items

Deadline

- Have issue of focus topic by next week

September 21st
