Association of Graduate Planners Meeting Minutes

Thursday November 24, 2011

In attendance: Ria Brown, Shireen Aslam, Daniel Hall, Erica Warsh, Tanya Christidis, Matt Quick, Gavin Williamson, Mark Ouseley, Sonya De Vellis, Kathy Szymczak, Josh Warkentin

1. Updates on old items

- a. WESEF \$100,000 Competition: the full written proposal was submitted on Monday, we're now waiting to hear about when the open house will be and about making adjustments to the poster
- b. Ongoing Academic Event: Tanya has talked to Clarence about booking the School of Planning boardroom to continue our ongoing research forum; Clarence is keen on the idea but would like to expand it to talking about a diversity of planning issues and inviting guest speakers which means we might need a bigger space – kitchen or large hall in the SoP would work; this will start in January and be run by a subcommittee of Tanya, Matt and Ria – if we find we need more help we'll send an e-mail opening it up to others to join
- c. T-Shirt Designs: only one more design was submitted since the extension
 - i. Vote: Green belt design 0; Dave's design: 3; postpone ordering AGP t-shirts to next term: 7; 1 abstention
 - ii. Next year's AGP will decide if they'd like to try ordering t-shirts next term since there hasn't been many submissions/much interest

d. Winter Party:

- i. Jane Bond has been booked from 7pm on Dec 4 but Rylan hasn't received the menu yet to pick what we'd like to order
- ii. Tanya has sent the invitation to students & will send a reminder to RSVP on Monday - so far Erica has received 27 responses
- iii. Tanya will also send invitations to the Dean and the EGSA executive
- iv. Tanya would like to expand music selection from X-mas/top 40 and also ask about bringing our own desserts
- v. Tanya will put expenses on her credit card and will be paid back by the AGP
- e. Transition Reports: the deadline for handing over the transition reports to the new AGP is now Dec 10
- f. Website Profiles: Erica received 34 profiles for the SoP website (including about 8 PhDs and 10 first years) and is going through them to make them consistent in format, delete

empty fields and link to advisors' pages – these will be done by Monday; Erica will also make a note of the changes she's making for next year's submissions

g. Intramurals:

- i. Rylan received one e-mail about sport preference for next term volleyball –
 Daniel has volunteered to be team captain for this
- ii. Mark still hasn't received all the money from this term's teams Matt will get the money from the slo-pitch team and Rylan should talk to the dodgeball team
- h. Website: the website is all done & active at www.uwagp.com the URL will cost \$14/mo
- Welcoming new AGP executive: Dairy Queen has offered Mark a 30% discount for 3 ice cream
 cakes and would like to have an ice cream welcoming event for the new executive this will be
 looked into more in January
- 3. Business Cards: the School of Planning has agreed to pay for 1 round of business cards for all grad planning students the new AGP will have to figure out how to administer this starting in January
- 4. Last AGP Meeting of 2011: this has been the last AGP meeting of the term there will be a roundup of outstanding action items in two weeks via e-mail, then the new AGP will take over in January when regular meetings resume
- 5. Trivia: this coming Tuesday will likely be the last week of trivia Matt will be the quizmaster

Next meeting: January 2012

Happy Holidays! See you in the new year!