

GC MEETING 5/4/2020
Minutes

REP REPORTS

BSD

- Events sponsored by GRIT
- Lecture series open to all BSD students
- Movement in the deans council leadership
 - Replacements in all positions

Graham

- International students feeling out of the loop
- Grad students a little hazy on
 - Had a meeting on career concerns, networking Q&A
 - Went well, very interactive
 - Links to alumni

Harris

- Harris elections ended Friday,
- Results will be in

Law

- LSA has new president
- Weekly emails from the dean
- Big concerns have been employment concerns
 - Federal programs have collapsed their internships
- Hopeful to be back in class in the fall
- Max Coming back for GC (uncontested)
 - Two spots filled
- Max on E&R
 - Allegations of sexual misconduct on 2 of the slates
 - Not much that E&R can do
 - Can't restart the election
 - Contested race for Grad Liaison to BOT
 - Ranked voting

Pritzker

- Board exams
 - Prometric doing testing badly
- Planning for incoming student orientation
 - Should be fun

PSD

- Deans council meeting
 - Feedback on zoom stuff

SSD

- Survey on student experience
 - Email returned saying there are concerns about funding being cut, all promised fellowships will still be honored
 - Concerns about research continuing (creating stress)
 - Deadlines have not been moved
 - Advisors having un
 - Dean says they will look at the results and find possible solutions

BOOTH

- Some sense of community and normalcy to keep people engaged
- Focus on career prospects
 - Number of people having their offers pushed back or rescinded
 - GBC
 - Extend health insurance coverage to the end of the year (through dec)
 - Same as wharton
 - Rohail: benchmarking with peer institutions is a good way to get the administration to

PME

- From chat: On Wednesday, tomorrow, our dean will hold a virtual forum to hear students' concerns with current protocols. The dean also sent out a survey regarding course options for the quarter. also there was a department wide merchandise purchase that has run into some issues but is being worked out.

Exec Team Reports

Rohail

- Meeting with Michelle Rasmussen
 - Document on Joint Degree programs compelling
 - Coordinating meeting with deans to create solid programs to be less financially hindering

Steven

- No new information

Thulasi and Anastasia

- NO updates

Maddie

- NO new updates
- Open to suggestions for virtual community events

Kim

- Able to get proposals rolled over to next year
- Makes it easier to plan events moving forward (rely on pre-existing relationships with various vendors and venues)

Adriana

- Emailed the person in charge for the GC website, hasn't got a response
- Will work with Co-chairs to

New Business

Co-Chairs Meeting with Mike Hayes

- What to do with the surplus funds
- Talked about a couple of ideas
 - Emergency within the bursar's office
 - Using surplus budget to repay the loans taken through the bursars emergency fund
- Money may be rolled over

Ideas

- Using money from the travel fund
- Restructuring of the travel fund to be more useful

Elections

- Q&A session next meeting
- If interested in a co-chair position

Meeting w/ Mike Hayes (5/6/2020)

- Preference to reallocate the funds towards next year's budget
- Revenue sources are lessened
- Wanting to keep us at the same level (roughly 510k)
- Bursar can't guarantee that all the money would go to grad students
- Start thinking about
 - Governors 5-stage plan
 - UChicago in region that would open up the slowest
 - Phase 3 = groups of 10 people or less
 - Told the undergrads to prepare for virtual orientation
 - Kalee: Grads planning on virtual orientation as well