

Tuesday, September 23rd, 2014

Major problems with meeting software. Eventually conducted meeting through chat windows.

Attendance:

Brock, Katie, Marilena, Eric, Valerie, Alexis, Richard

Agenda:

- I. Newsletter Editor
- II. Facebook page admin
- III. CCPD liaison (we need to select two nominees; CCPD will choose one)
- IV. APS governance changes - Eric
- V. Update about March and April Meetings - Val
- VI. Additional items

Minutes:

- I. Newsletter Editor
 - a. URGENT! Next newsletter is Dec./Jan.
 - b. Perhaps outsource to greater FGSA?
 - i. Need description: skills, time commitment, tasks, etc. to sell to others. – Time commitment is not massive, but not small either.
 - ii. Would need to be sent out in the next few weeks.
 - iii. Full FGSA advertisement.
 - c. **Marilena** will compose the ad since she was in the position last. With help from **Eric**.
 - i. Will send out the ad within a week assuming we can't find anyone who wants the job before then. **I.e. think about people who might be interested!**
 - ii. As soon as they have a general description, they will send it to the executive committee for preliminary interest.
- II. Facebook Page Admin
 - a. URGENT!
 - b. Sara was nominated but can't take the position at the moment.
 - c. Perhaps combine webpage and facebook page positions.
 - i. Need to Manolis (webpage admin.) if he has any interest.
 - ii. **Brock will provide a description to Val who will email Manolis.**
 - d. If Manolis can't both Alexis and Eric would be willing to help out.
 - i. No problems at all if no longer a grad student ☺
 - ii. Val could also help on and off.
- III. CCPD Liaison
 - a. Committee for Careers and Professional Development.
 - b. Current liaison is JT.
 - i. JT knows someone willing

- ii. <http://www.guygmarcus.com/cv> for more details on his nominee
 - c. We need 2 nominees, CCPD will choose between them.
 - d. Perhaps also send out ad to general FGSA.
 - i. **JT will provide a blurb** for the position description.
 - ii. Have separate emails for all of these volunteer requests to keep things clear. One day apart to prevent FGSA spamming ☺
- IV. APS Governance Changes (Eric)
 - a. APS is voting to change its governance structure.
 - b. They've been meeting for almost a year on this topic. Finally seems to be nailed down.
 - c. Counselors have been tasked with urging their units to vote for the proposal.
 - i. Firstly, that they should vote!
 - ii. Secondly, they should vote YES (assuming of course there are no major objections).
 - d. For more information go to www.aps.org/about/reform/faq.cfm or of course ask Eric.
 - e. Proposal is very similar to what has been discussed in our meetings previously. Tweaked very slightly. E.g. Editor position wording has been changed so as not to downgrade that position, etc.
- V. March and April meetings – will be discussed via email updates from Val.
- VI. Additional Items
 - a. AAAS Science and Human Rights Coalition
 - i. **Richard and Marilena have been working on this solicitation.**
 - ii. Ready to send out whenever we want.
 - iii. No rush at the moment. Maybe by the end of the year.
 - iv. Considered sending with call for nominations for executive committee. Decided against this, as the position is not an elected one and that could be confusing.
 - v. Decision – **Send out a week to a month following the call for executive committee nominations.**
 - vi. Brock will send out the email.
 - b. Election Flier – Keep discussion via email. Looks good!
 - c. Letterhead – Looks great!
 - d. Who receives all of these volunteer response emails?
 - i. Richard for Human Rights Coalition.
 - ii. Eric for Newsletter.
 - iii. I.e. stick with whoever sends the email and we will discuss later.