

AGSIP Meeting Notes September 26, 2018

Present: Kat, Pelin, Steve, Larah, Tina, Alison, Dan, Meghan

Regrets: none

Agenda: Secret account, training institute, department meeting updates, TA updates, house crawl, Halloween or November event

Secret account

- Pelin and Geoff have identified who we can contact about getting sending a note to the bank re transferring it over to be in someone else's name
- Pelin will follow up with this person

Training institute

- Meredith sent Steve and Alison document to review
- Aim of this initiative is to promote research training opportunities for students and faculty that are applicable to most people
- The training would be in the form of workshops
- Maybe have a fee that you pay to sign up and then get the money back if you attend to ensure that people who sign up actually attend
- Can comment on document – Meredith wants feedback by Oct 5th
- One workshop per academic year most likely
- A host gets nominated who picks the topic

Department meeting update

- We now have 700\$ travel awards available for students from the department as long as students are presenting at the conference
- Travel money for prospective students for poster day cannot be provided but there will be a lunch – no firm date on this yet
- DSC is having a grad night in November – want to have a few of us go talk to students about applying to grad school and our experience – they will give us more info soon

TA updates

- Area reps informally surveying students in their area about the process of applying to TAships etc from this year
- Reps will informally let Tara know of any issues

House crawl

- 3 or 4 houses needed – at least Kat and Tina are willing to host and maybe Dan
- Usually on the Friday of homecoming weekend – Oct 19th

Halloween or November event

- Maybe have an event at the grad club – free during operating hours on weekdays
- Can book a personal bartender on second floor for 35\$

- Maybe do Friday the Oct 26th if doing a Halloween event
- Can also maybe do a November event instead – could do on a Thursday or Friday