## **BioGSA Meeting Minutes**

Date: 13 January 2022 Location: Butler 103

		Discussion/Future Action
Special Business		
Reports	President/Vice President (Sara N.M. & Valerie)	<ul> <li>-This semester's Grad Student Seminar has a new time and location: Friday's 12pm in BSBW 025. First one is scheduled for 4 Feb.</li> <li>-Val and Jorden are meeting with Jennifer to discuss invited speakers.</li> <li>-Everyone is encouraged to send in speaker suggestions.</li> <li>-Something to keep in mind for later in the semester: do we want to have the grad student seminar over the summer?</li> <li>-Planning a spring social. Send in any ideas.</li> </ul>
	<b>Treasurer</b> (Sara A.M.)	-Still waiting for refunds to be transferred.
	Fundraising Rep (Morgan)	<ul> <li>-Two colors for the comfort color t-shirts were delayed, so new colors were picked by and for those who originally ordered those colors.</li> <li>-T-shirts and jackets sold in the fall should get in January or February. Waiting to hear back from the C.C. Creations rep.</li> <li>-A spring bake sale fundraiser is being planned for March/April.</li> </ul>
	Graduate Programs Committee (GPC) Rep (Aditi)	-n/a
	Faculty Meeting Rep (Marko)	<ul> <li>-Received a question about possible funding for grad students whose graduation has been pushed back due to COVID. This was not discussed in the faculty meeting on 14 Jan, but will be discussed in a meeting on Wed. 19 Jan.</li> <li>-The faculty meeting on 14 Jan was short. Here are the main points: <ol> <li>New faculty hiring season announced. The details about the schedules and interviews will be forthcoming.</li> <li>Tapasree Roy Sarkar interview process has finished. Final discussion has been held and the voting opened later that day for tenured faculty.</li> <li>COVID guidance for the upcoming semester.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	Graduate & Professional School Government (GPSG) Senators (Jorden, Aishwarya)	-no updates
	Student & Post-doc Research Conference (SPRC) Reps (Maureen, Prakruthi)	-Will work with Jenna (GRAC) to encourage those who presented a poster at SPRC to also present a poster at the recruiting symposium on Sat. 12 Feb.
	Graduate Recruiting & Admissions Committee (GRAC) Rep (Jenna)	<ul> <li>-We are partnering with Genetics and other departments for the recruiting event. Taking place Saturday, 12 Feb. (Poster session at 2:30pm, oral presentations at 4:30pm, dinner at 6:30pm). RSVP using the link in Jennifer's email sent 14 Jan.</li> <li>-As of Monday, 17 Jan, 30 more graduate students are needed to volunteer to present a poster at the symposium.</li> <li>-23 graduate students (2<sup>nd</sup> year and up) are needed to volunteer to be a mentor to a prospective student. Email Jenna Hulke if you want to be a mentor.</li> </ul>
	College of Science Dean's Grad Student Council Rep (Kristen)	-no updates
Old Business		
New Business		<ul> <li>-Grad Student Seminar new time &amp; location. Feedback and speaker suggestions are encouraged.</li> <li>-Encourage participation in the recruiting event happening the second week of February.</li> </ul>
Next Meeting	3 February 2022. BSBW 025. 11:30am – 12:30pm	-Scheduled a week early so we can meet before recruiting week.