

## **Agenda Sept. 27, 2013**

1. General Assembly Meet & Greet 6:00-6:30 pm
2. GSA Representative Elections 6:30 pm onward
1. Nominations & Speeches
2. Voting
3. Announce Winners

Attendance

### **Educational Technology :**

Arabuli Natia  
Bakhshare Niloofar  
Foster Ryan  
Kruger Stefan  
Rong Zeng  
Sheepy Emily  
Xiao'ai

### **Educational Studies :**

Nitami Hassan  
Philander Natasha  
Summers Jonathan

### **Applied Linguistics :**

Baltz Josh  
Cerreta Suzanne  
Crowther Dustin  
Malek Agnes  
Sandberg Ross  
Shu Chan  
Stella Carolina Stella

### **PhD :**

Apple Randy  
Dahl Audrey  
Foote Jennifer  
Jackson Renée  
Kindrat Alexandra  
Nicolae Iona  
Novacovich Jeannette  
Silva Constanza  
?cannot read the name

## **Minutes [Recorded by Agnes (Applied Linguistics rep)]**

5:45 pm – Current DOEIGSA students representatives elected from last year General Assembly show up to set up

6:00 pm – Members of DOEIGSA begin to come in and sign in; they are informed about nomination procedures and given their free drink tickets

6:30 pm – DOEIGSA Students representatives decide to wait a few more minutes as quorum is almost reached

6:43pm – Quorum is reached with 26 members present (*minimum 10% of regular members* or ten members, whichever is higher)

### **Meeting Begins: 6:43pm**

#### Welcome & General Introduction – Renee (Phd rep)

- Welcomes members
- We've reached quorum; for the first time which is great
- Last year was the first year the programs came together to form DOEIGSA and so we begin our second year
- Introduces Stefan (Educational Technology rep)

#### Introduction to DOEIGSA – Stefan

- Explains DOEIGSA & what we do
  - o assemblies such as this to enrich the experiences of graduate students in the department
  - o represent the interests of students to the Department of Education and can bring forward concerns
  - o support events such as the Graduate Symposium
- Explains what student representatives do
- o Meet throughout the year to plan and execute General Assemblies mandat as well as other events such as talks by invited guests lecturers

#### Introduction to Elections – Renee

- Thanks Stefan
- we can elect up to 3 representatives for each departmental program
- Introduces Dustin (Applied Linguistics rep)

#### Explanation of Election Process – Dustin referred to section 5: Elections process in our by-laws

- 4 department programs are currently represented by DOEIGSA
  - o Educational Technology
  - o Educational Studies
  - o Applied Linguistics
  - o PhD
- each person can be voted for or not;
- candidates to give short speeches
- names will be written on the white board for reference during voting

### *Ed Tech*

- Stefan Krueger Nominated by: Haidee Thanda
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### *Ed Studies*

- Natasha Philander Nominated by: Jonathan Summers
- Hassan Nitami Nominated by: Natasha Philander

### *APLI*

- Agnes Malek Nominated by: Dustin Crowther

### *PhD*

- Audrey Dahl Nominated by: Jennifer Foote
- Jeannette Novakovich Nominated by: Renee Jackson

After speeches, ballots are given out.

Dusting explains to check box of program and write name of candidate you are voting for; use one ballot for each program.

[Someone suggested writing in “Everyone” in order to vote for all candidates. This was further clarified as being incorrect; according to the bylaws each candidate needs a majority approval/vote or 51% by attending members of the GA.]

Because they were less candidates than position the following article in by-laws applies:

“In the case of there only being three nominees for one or more programs, a vote will still be held. Any or all nominees receiving 1 or fewer votes from the members present, will not be accepted as a Graduate Student Representative.”

### Announcements – Introduced by Renee

1. Emily Sheepy (coordinator of student symposium)– introduced the Graduate Student Symposium
  - a. they are looking for volunteers
  - b. will be held sometime in April/May
2. Natasha (co-manager of FRC) – introduced the Friedman Resource Centre (FRC) and benefits
  - a. they are looking for volunteers
3. Audrey – introduced a guest talk in our department
- a. Leonard Waks author of the book *Education 2.0 The Learning Web Revolution and the Transformation of the School*
- b. Detailed information will follow in future emails

Ballots are counted by Dustin & Renee.

### Results – Dustin & Renee

- All candidates were voted in.

The students representatives for year 2013-2014 are :

*Ed Tech*

- Stefan Krueger
- Haidee Thanda

*Ed Studies*

- Hassan Nitami
- Natasha Philander

*APLI*

- Agnes Malek

*PhD*

- Audrey Dahl
- Jeannette Novakovich

- Members were thanked for attending and requested to stay, enjoy the remaining food and mingle with members from other departments

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:15pm**