**GCAS Meeting 01/19/2023**

**Meeting Begins: 5:02pm**

* No new officer reports
* Old Business:
  + Winners for Graduate Student Scholarship and Creative Endeavors Grant have been announced
    - Winners have until June 30, 2023 to spend their scholarship money on their respective projects
  + A&S Financial Committee leader Michelle Gotto has spoken to the head of institutional research and been given access to a lot of data
    - So far data has only been collected within the male/female binary
    - They do not seem to have data on who is a first-year student
  + A&S Financial Committee leader Michelle will be meeting with the Chemistry department about their successful campaign to raise their stipends
  + Mercy presented a slideshow about Professional Development Week with a proposed program for the week
    - Proposed Week: April 3-April 7
    - Monday: Alumni Panel
    - Tuesday: Internship matching mixer
    - Wednesday: Positioning yourself as a prime job candidate in industry and in academia (panel or talk?)
    - Thursday: Mock interviews and volunteer activities
    - Friday: Networking (Network with alumni; sip and paint event)
  + Some more ideas for Professional Development Week: set up mentor-protege program, internship match, career panel with alumni, set up resume review
  + Possibility of having alumni help with the set-up of Professional Development Week
  + The committee needs help with publicity (making flyers, disseminating), more committee members, pairing mentors with students, etc.
  + Potential To-Dos include preparing a budget, setting dates and deadlines, assigning alumni to events/roles, etc.
  + Possible GCAS letter in support of Reproductive Health Task Force–we would be the first student group to do it
    - Student health insurance does not cover abortion care
    - Michelle wants to know from everyone’s department: *Is there anything that a student in your department is working on where if legislation were to change in Ohio it would be put at risk?*
* New Business:
  + Ray will be working out a budget for the 2023 fiscal year
  + Sign up for grad student group meetings
  + Last day to pick up RTA passes is tomorrow 01/20/2023 from 9am-12pm (email Emily Curto eac135@case.edu to pick up if you cannot make that time)
  + CAS Dean’s forum is on February 17, 2023 from 4-5pm
* Open Forum:
  + GSC forum February 1st from 5:30pm-6:30pm in Adelbert Hall in the Toepfer Room
  + CAS has 5 votes
  + The voting will be on the bylaws changes and for the position of Co-Director of Diversity and Advocacy
  + Confusion on role of GSC representatives

**Meeting Adjourned: 6:15pm**