12/7 GCAS Meeting

Officer Reports:

* GCAS was the only group present at the GSC President’s roundtable this month
  + GSC is having issues at monthly meetings with not having enough student reps available to have the meeting or votes
  + December’s meeting was to have bylaw changes & a vote for co-director of diversity, but no one came (including the candidates for co-director of diversity)
  + Reps feel GSC needs more streamlined communication
  + For instance, there is not enough time to filter communication from reps to schools, get feedback, then back to GSC
  + GSC officers must remain in good standing
  + GSC officers get stipends each semester (reps for each college do not)
  + GCAS is allotted 5 reps to send to GSC, but we often only send one. Going forward, we will all make an effort to attend (barring conflicting course schedules)
  + GSC is trying to enforce the correct # of attendees per college
  + Upon 3 warnings GSC will stop funding college, and the college will lose voting privileges
    - We are obviously pushing back on this
    - GSC meetings are the 1st Wed month of each month. We need MORE students to participate!
* Treasurer’s Report:
  + $357 spent on GSSCE grant review
  + $7401 left
* Information Officer
  + Starting with the first newsletter of the spring semester, change to Trivia Question rules:
    - To make it more equitable, students will have until 11:59 pm to submit an answer. The next day, a winner will be chosen at random.
* GSC Rep:
  + GSC Affirmative Action Task Force
    - Working with student legal reps to assist with:
      * tenant disputes
      * DUIs
  + Also forming a faculty senate relations committee
  + Feedback from the GSC poll about “something good” only received 90 responses
* GCAS Wine & Canvas almost sold out
* GSSCE Grant reviews complete, announcements on 12/12
* Arts & Sciences Funding Committee:
  + Meeting week of 12/12 with institutional research to determine what demographic info they can provide
  + A few students in Chemistry have expressed interest in helping
* Professional Development Week Update:
  + Late March/Early April
  + An announcement will go out in campus groups for volunteers
  + Plans for mock interviews, will be contacting alumni, other orgs
* Reproductive Rights
  + GCAS crafting a letter in support of the Reproductive Rights Task Force, reminding them that the work does not stop
  + Building out a Reproductive Justice portion of our website, with resources for reproductive and sexual health care, as well as parenting resources
* Next Semester:
  + Meetings will be at the same time, 2nd Thursday of each month at 5pm, meeting place TBA
  + Co-presidents & one additional rep hope to meet with the student group from each department!
  + Elections for GCAS officers 2023-2024 year will happen in April/May