

Here are the Spring Quarter PGSO Minutes:

Meeting starts! 5:05pm

Carlos is all like, let's be efficient! Woo!

1st year picnic/BBQ/picnic – Friday afternoon/evening (4:00pm)

-budget is \$500

-likely May 29th (mark your calendar)

-talk to Ray!

-don't be the first year to FAIL. muahahahaha

Show up for elections! It will be when Carlos says it is. We don't know yet.

Professional Development (Liz, Peter, Leah or Rebecca)

-NORC event – have lunch and sit down with people to get a sense of their job (hybrid between industry and academic careers)

-Check email that Leah sent out

-Alumni teachers will come and do a Tea with us

-Send your ideas to Liz if you know of anyone else!

-There will also be an Excel workshop

Academic Life Committee (Heather)

-If you want to throw in your two cents about the course requirements and how they might change, you should email Susan Levine!

- Faculty tea or workshop on collaboration at multiple levels (not fully planned yet – still open to input)

- Will also send out a survey asking you to tell us what your expertise is!

Travel and Research (Talia)

- There will be a call going out soon for applications!

- funds travel to conferences that have already happened

- must have participated in prospective student's weekend

- need to have attended two of the PGSO meetings (including elections from last year)

- you can apply to both travel and research, technically

- you can also apply to GSA conference funding – but that's in advance (1 month in advance of the conference – up to \$500, one time only in your academic career)

- You must submit receipts before the end of the fiscal year (June 30th)

Social Committee (Stephanie)

- not much news, but lots of money

- meeting this Wednesday to plan something

- two big events (something along the lines of Moth or Whirlyball)

- if you have other ideas for events, email Kim or Stephanie

- tickets to the White Sox game are purchased – go pick them up if you want them! There are 8 extras!

- softball!! come play! – it's usually at Nichols Park (Kimbark and 55th)

Diversity and Inclusion Committee (Carlos)

- they are processing the results of the survey

-People wanted to know:

- Pedagogy and inclusions practices
- resources you can refer students to
- numbers and data related to our department
- what are other institutions doing on this front

5:29pm – meeting adjourned!

-holy cow that was the shortest meeting ever!