## **Graduate Student Association**

## **General Body Meeting**

## October 11, 2012

- I. Attendance: 28
- II. Call to Order: 5:20pm
- III. Update from the Dean's Office
  - a. Dr. D'Abramo TAGS money has run out
- IV. Blood Drive Announcement
  - a. October 29' 2012 in front of Colvard Student Union from 10a.m. until 5p.m.
  - b. Free t-shirts, raffles, and snacks
  - c. www.msublooddrive.com
- V. Halloween Carnival
  - a. October 25, 2012 in the Junction from 5-7 p.m.
- VI. Homecoming Tailgate
  - a. GSA will tailgate during the MSU vs Middle-Tennessee State game
- VII. National Association of Graduate Professional Students:
  - a. We should look into becoming involved because it provides networking opportunities and we are the only SEC school that doesn't participate
- VIII. Graduate Resources
  - a. National Grad Crisis-Line: is a faith-based group that offers counseling services for graduate students. It is not affiliated with MSU which gives grad students more privacy
- IX. Community Service
  - a. Things that GSA can get involved with:
    - i. The TK Martin center is sponsoring a fun run on October 26, 2012 @ 5p.m.
    - ii. The annual Nick Bell Marathon is coming up soon
- X. Announcements:
  - a. Hunted Horsepark will be held on October 30-31<sup>st</sup> from 8-11p.m. and is open to the public
  - b. A fresh, food dining location will be constructed where the old tennis courts are located
  - c. Security cameras have been installed throughout the stadium to help identify people who throw objects are others during games
  - d. GSA vice-President Vemitra White will be serving on the UCC committee
  - e. GSA is a non-voting member of MSU's faculty senate