

**Graduate Student Association
General Membership Meeting**

March 7, 2016

Number of students in attendance: 72

1. Ms. Margaret McMullen, Graduate Student Association Advisor, discussed the events that are being offered during graduate student appreciation week with members present. A request for volunteers to assist with events was distributed for students attending to sign up.
2. President Christina Hillesheim discussed upcoming meeting dates with members present. The final general body meeting for the year will be April 25th, 2016.
3. President Christina Hillesheim discussed the upcoming Graduate Student Research Symposium. Date, times, and opportunities to participate were discussed. Deadline for submissions to the GSRS is March 11th, 2016. The library is able to print posters for students but requires a three business day turnaround.
4. President Christina Hillesheim informed members present that Graduate Student Appreciation Week is April 4 – 8, 2016. The GSA will be hosting a game night on Monday, April 4th in McCool 236.
5. President Christina Hillesheim discussed upcoming workshops through the Center for Teaching and Learning, ORED, and the Writing Center with students present.
6. President Christina Hillesheim discussed upcoming service projects for the semester. No event is scheduled for March but students are encouraged to attend events through the Maroon Volunteer Center. April's event will be at the Palmer Home for Children in Columbus on April 16, 2016.
7. President Christina Hillesheim discussed upcoming social events for the semester. March will be Trivia Night at Lost Pizza Company on March 8th, 2016 from 7 pm to 9 pm. The event in April will be an ice cream social on campus on April 27, 2016 from 1 pm to 3 pm.
8. Dr. Long, Associate Dean of the Graduate School, discussed the upcoming election of executive officers with members present. Elections will be postponed in order to extend the information to all graduate students on campus in order to further enhance awareness and participation of graduate students in the Graduate Student Association. Written bio sketches will be requested from individuals wishing to run for office.
9. Ms. Stephanie Agnew, a representative from the library, discussed pointers for presentations with students present. Information discussed includes how to appropriately make a poster using various software, visual identity standards regarding the use of the Mississippi State University logo, location of the instructional media center,
10. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm.