GSSC Meeting Minutes March 2025

Graduate School Student Council Meeting

04/11/2025 1:00 PM. Graduate Student Lounge BSB 3-114B

Attendance: Riley Morrone (President), Scott McElroy (Vice President), Syamantak Mukherjee (Secretary), and Molly Leitner (Treasurer)

GSSC members met to plan our upcoming meeting with the Dean of Graduate Studies and plan the upcoming meeting with the Graduate School Administrative staff and May graduate school events.

Call to order: Riley Morrone called the meeting to order at 1pm.

Motion: Riley Morrone moved to discuss the agenda for the meeting with the Dean of Graduate Studies. Motion seconded by Molly Leitner. We will speak to the administration about concerns regarding rematriculation of a current student at medical school. We will also be doing an ARD debrief, especially discussing IT related issues and time management. We will be inquiring about any updates for new program directors. We will also be discussing our concerns regarding budget cuts in research and how they affect graduate students at Downstate. Motion unanimously approved.

Motion: Molly Leitner moved to discuss special events for the School of Graduate Studies. Motion seconded by Scott McElroy. We did not host any event last month owing to budget issues. Motion unanimously approved.

Motion: Riley Morrone moved to discuss the May event for graduate school students. Seconded by Syamantak Mukherjee. The School of Graduate Studies will be hosting a Mental Health Awareness Month event; cost will be partially funded by our leftover budget. Motion unanimously approved.

Adjournment: Riley Morrone adjourned the meeting at 2pm.

Syamantak Mukherjee

Secretary Signature