GSO Minutes – 02-26-08

1. Treasurer’s Report
   a. Report given by Besim.

2. Report on GSO Sponsored Events
   a. Review Women in Biology event. Angela gave a report of the event’s success as she attended the event. Approximately 25 people attended.
   b. Update on Women in Physics event. Taking place Wednesday, March 19th.
   c. Vote on:
      i. Graduate Student Symposium on the History of Art
         March 28th-29th. Dramatically less funding than years past, interdisciplinary in scope.
         Requesting $300.00 for funding for advertising materials.
         Proposal approved for $300.00
      ii. Graven Images: Religion in Comic Books and Graphic Novels
         April 11-13th, features speakers from across the globe, certainly interdisciplinary.
         Content is focused on this new media as it relates to interdisciplinary studies of religion. The request is for support for advertising materials from the GSO.
         Proposal approved for $250.00.

3. Report on Travel Grants
   a. Report given by Marc in Sue’s stead
   Two applications have been submitted. Faculty members are needed for this committee, as well as a few more graduate students.

4. Location of Graduation Ceremony—Andrew Ellis
   a. Economics department discussing their concern about the graduation ceremony for PhD students. In years past it’s become a mess weather-wise because it is located on the BU beach. Dialogue with the deans concerning this have yielded no progress/improvement. They do not support any sort of change to accommodate the problems this is causing for graduation.

5. Report on Social Events
   a. Report given by Eugene.
   Pub night schedule TBA for March. Approval granted to allocate funds for Eugene to schedule a pub night sometime in March.
   b. Singles Night is in the works. Eugene, Angela, and Lana are planning this, perhaps with a Bingo theme.

6. Outreach
   Be thinking about some outreach ideas for future discussion.