

## Minutes – GSO Meeting 01/19/10

1. Welcome back
2. Treasurer's Report:
  - a. \$5834.00 remaining in account so we are in good financial shape.
  - b. \$600-\$700 is expected to remain after all the activities planned for this semester.
  - c. \$2000 is usually spent on the summer barbeque.
3. Voted "YES" to the following:
  - a. Pub Night this Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2010. Potential dates for future pub nights are the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month (since SAGE reserves the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday and it gets too crowded when both SAGE and GSO use the space).
  - b. Co-sponsored event with Archaeology: The 9<sup>th</sup> Biennial Graduate Student Open Forum – a conference designed to bring together graduate students from departments and universities all over the country here at Boston University, to participate in and present papers on the theme "Perceived and Intangible Landscapes." This forum is multi-disciplinary and the keynote speaker is Dr. Wendy Ashmore from UC-Riverside. The Proposed date is Feb19-21, 2010.
  - c. GRS Interdepartmental Professional Development Seminar Series directed by Emily Roland, the Co-Sponsored Events Chair. No more than \$100 will be spent on the first seminar. Emily will contact us for names of persons in our departments who can present in the following areas – Interdisciplinary job-hunting, post-doctoral fellowships, adjunct positions, what reviewers look for in an article, and publishing an article.
4. Announced winners of travel grants. Also, money that remains after reimbursing the primary winners of travel grants usually goes to the next best applicant from the spring semester. We also discussed how to give to the next best applicant in the fall. More to come...
5. Winter Party Ideas:
  - a. Discussed what to charge in order to offset some of the cost, and decided that anything between \$5 and \$10 is appropriate.
  - b. SAGE enthusiastic about joining in and can get a subsidized speaker system for the event.
  - c. SAGE and GSO students will buy tickets separately
  - d. SAGE expecting 150 students, GSO expecting 200-250 people.
  - e. Need to decide on: Where to pre-sell tickets? How many guests to allow? What to charge the guest? More details to come on February 8.