1. **Diane/Treasurer's Report**
   a. Start of the year: 40256.78 (20,000 plus 20256.78 rollover)
   b. We have spent and cleared 20778.87
   c. 19477.91 left in our account
      i. 15364.30 for travel grants, 634.50 for professional development, 950 for social events, and 750 for the romance studies conference
   d. 1833.26 which has yet to be allocated

2. **Jess/Social**
   a. Coffee hours:
      i. 30 March (International)
      ii. 25 April (Grad Students of Color)
      iii. Everyone: Send posters out to departments; remind fellow students
      iv. A second round of coffee hours during finals?
         1. Maybe a general GSO coffee event?
         2. Scale up in space
         3. Jess would need other volunteers
         4. Wednesday April 18 as a possible date?
   v. Potential trivia/pub night
      1. Maybe end of April?
      2. Lamplighter brewery?
         a. They have a good mix of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages
      3. Cornwall’s?
         a. They are convenient for BU events
         b. Close to BU

3. **Amanda/Professional Development**
   a. 3-minute thesis
      i. Next Thursday (22 March), 5pm
      ii. Needs two volunteers to moderate the event
      iii. Finals: (tentatively) 30 March 3pm
      i. Originally scheduled for 18 April
      ii. Potential panelists have fallen through
      iii. Regrouping: event now potentially on the 25th, starting at 4pm
      iv. Sending out another round of invitations for panelists
   v. Any good candidate panelists?
      1. Profile: early-career faculty who are especially good at communicating their work with multiple audiences, on multiple media, etc.
   c. Survey about professional development in each department
i. Next phase: a survey asking students about which departments they would like to take prof dev workshops with

4. Getty/Travel Grants
   a. Travel grant due dates coming up
   b. Could use help with the committee
   c. Process/Criteria/Priorities for selection
      i. First-year PhD students (and all MA students) excluded (BU decision)
      ii. Seniority no longer as big a factor as it used to be--still a consideration, but content of application now more important
      iii. Personal Statement much more salient than abstract
         1. The ability to explain clearly (a) what one is working on and (b) why it matters to them
      iv. Other sources of funding must be listed
   d. 3-meetings requirement
      i. You can apply before having attended all 3 meetings so long as you eventually attend at least 3 meetings
   e. Lizzy: to send out a reminder about the due date and asking for volunteers

5. Diane: A colleague's research/fundraising for Syrian children
   a. Looking for assistance with fundraising ideas
   b. Email Diane at diebo@bu.edu if you want to help

6. Eboard Check-in
   a. We want to update our bylaws!
   b. Anyone else who wants to join Eboard to rework these?
   c. Goal: to bring a new copy of the bylaws to the next general meeting