GSO Meeting Agenda 17:00, Thursday, May 20th, 2021

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Time	Item	Notes
17:00	Welcome (President - Sobia Shadbar)	1. Representative Email List https://docs.google.com/document/d/1mCkkmd1usU1SkyFqq XZgW4WJOtbkbVfcpvB3_kOkwQl/edit?usp=sharing 2. The proxy system: If you can't make a meeting rather than finding a replacement student, we have a designated proxy - our Vice President, Rya O"Dea. To use our proxy system, your representative simply has to read through our agenda ahead of time and coordinate their comments and votes with the vice president before the meeting, preferably via email (ryanodea@bu.edu) . 3. GSO's Mailing List: You can subscribe/unsubscribe from our mailing list by following this link: https://www.bu.edu/gso/join-our-mailing-list/ 4. Slack Channel for GSO Reps https://join.slack.com/l/bugso2021/shared_invite/zt-obqpc210-gxJTsxWWkWL7n4ioaAfkiw 5. BUSPH statement of support of India (Vote needed) Read here https://docs.google.com/document/d/11fu5A7p0QH3xztQg51XxWstoHwnlVoFOr0tr2FWGhUU/edit We will not be voting on this as we did not hear back from them, but the Biden Administration has supported India. We will be reaching out offering further collaboration
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		Potentially some summer workshops or more social events.
		It will be difficult to have on-campus events, but we could potentially plan safe, well-informed off-campus activities.
		7. Fall meetings Second Tuesdays 6pm every month (Vote needed)
		Waiting to find out if we will be required to meet in-person. We hope to give everyone an equal say.
		We will hold off on picking an official date until we get new reps.
		If we meet once monthly, then potentially we would have two meetings in October or November to meet our five meetings.
17:20	E-board Members' Updates	

17:45	GSO Reps Updates	1. Perri Meldon COVID related health insurance coverage We are covered as that is the states policy. Insurance is required to cover COVID related issues. Graduate Student Summer Funding letters (Vote needed) Read here and Here https://docs.google.com/document/d/17e3mFuV_8KZP4b6YCA5NBSJ6Z4TBVVy6s6juibQGR-Q/edit?usp=drivesdk Many students are without funding and do not benefit from the pandemic fund from BU. GWISE and BU PHD Student Coalition wrote this letter to ensure funding for students. This letter would be asking for all PhD students to be funded in the summer. 14 in Favor, will be signing this letter.
17:55	Comments,	Union Updates: - Reading club on Mondays (Reading Shock Doctrine) - Organizing committee days on Tuesdays - Will decide on national affiliation this summer - Hoping to have representatives from every department at every organizing committee meeting. 1. Ideas & Suggestions for the GSO 2. Questions:

In Attendance:

Arcadia Ewell

Sobia Shadbar

Chaeyoung Lee - Musicology

Courtney Smith - History

David Long - Physics

Florian David Bodamer - Political Science

Heather Mooney - Sociology

Hector Grande

James Aglio - Clasics

Jessica Garber - Anthropology

Kristina Lee – Clinical Psychology

Perri Meldon - American and New England Studies

Ryan O'Dea

Sybil Johnson – History of Art and Architecture

Vikram Kumaraswamy - Economics

Zachary Weaver – Astronomy

Max Chapnick

Guangmei Liu – biology Kelly Geyer