

Fall 2024 Meeting 2 Agenda

GSO Funding Committee Meeting

In-person (Student Union, Teche Room 116)

October 21, 2024. 3 pm CST

Attendance:

Traelyn Brasseaux, CMIX

Farooq Azam Khanzada, CIVE

Tyrone Wilson, Architecture

Kevin Torgersen, Biology

Darian Cheramie, MBA

Elizabeth Boyd, CHEE

Mary McMahan, COMD

Shayan Ebrahimi, EECE

John Miller, Physics

The meeting started at 3:00 pm.

- Review Budget Spreadsheet
 - 15 applications for travel with academic duties were received (including one unfunded application from meeting 1)
 - Discussed that to be funded properly, the applicant must fully budget their expenditures.
 - Three applications for Research & Supplies Funds were received
 - Funding committee discussed whether or not Heaven Rodrigue should be funded for their GRE test fee.
 - Funding committee has decided to bring this discussion to the general meeting for further discussion. Proposal is to expand the definition of Professional Development Funds to allow for tests that allow the further development of graduate students, such as GRE, GMAT, and etc.

- Proposal that SGA fund undergraduate students who want to attend grad students, and GSO will cover continuing grad students such as Master's students who go on to PhD.
 - Eleven applications for Professional Development Funds were received
- Funding initiatives
 - Committee members to assist with tier list ideas
 - Mary McMahon (COMD), Shayan (EECE), John Miller (Physics)
 - John Miller (Physics) has been assigned to come up with ideas for long term funding for GSO.
 - Asked that MFK come to a funding committee meeting to help discuss how we can go through with funding long term in a legal/ethical manner.
- Updates about the Tier list.
 - Discuss Tier List change proposals, such as making tier list increase as distance increases. Will be brought up at general meeting.
- Q/A

The meeting ended at