

History Graduate Student Organization
Executive Meeting
6 November 2006
3:30pm
Friedmann Hall 4413

Minutes

Officers Present: Cristina Moody, Joshua Schier, Jonathan Thurn, David Zwart.

- I. The meeting came to order at 3:33pm.
- II. GFAC Funding. David Z. passed around a prepared budget narrative and budget he will submit to GFAC at the next meeting. The paperwork requests \$500 for operating expenses for the 2006-2007 school year.
- III. Heasley Book Talk. David Z. reported that Prof. Heasley is set for the 17 November 2006 book talk. It will take place from noon to 2pm in the Political Science Library (Friedmann 3301). David Z. also reminded us that Prof. Heasley asked that students try to read the introduction and one section in her book *A Thousand Pieces of Paradise: Landscape and Property in the Kickapoo Valley* before the talk. There are three books available: one is located in the book cabinet in the common room, one in the library, and one through the secretary.
- IV. Spring Speaker. The secretary reported that he has not yet received reply whether Dr. Nirenberg will accept our request to speak in the Spring Semester. The secretary will report on the status again at the general meeting on 7 November.
- V. Soda Sales. Criss M. reported that some staff have expressed confusion whether the pop in the fridge is still for sale or is now free, the staff member having seen students remove cans without payment. The Executive Committee believes that the confusion arises as many graduate students keep a balance of credit in the jar so they may collect cans of soda without having to dig for change on each occasion and believes that the current honor system is working.
- VI. Leadership changes.
 - A. David Z. announced that he has been elected president of the Teaching Assistants Union and will be resigning as president of HGSO at the next general meeting. According to the organization's constitution (Article III, Section E, Paragraph 3), the vice-president becomes the next president and appoints, with the confirmation of the Executive Committee, an active member to fill the remaining vacancy. Joshua S. suggested that Criss M. take the vice president position as the semester is over half complete and that the Executive Committee canvass for a new treasurer. The executive committee agreed by consensus.

B. David Z. will continue as the Faculty Committee representative for the Fall Semester.
Joshua S. might take over the responsibility in the spring.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Thurn
Secretary