

Minute of GGSO meeting - January 12, 2012.

Meeting time: 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Meeting place: SCA- coffee break room

Meeting participants:

Lee Boop: President of GGSO for the year 2011

Catie Carter: Vice President of GGSO for the year 2011

Ophelia George: Treasurer of GGSO for the year 2011

Henok Kiflu: Secretary of GGSO

Renae Nowicki: GGSO member

Jacob Richardson: GGSO member

Leah Courtland: GGSO member

James Wilson: GGSO member

Meeting

Lee Boop started the meeting by discussing some important points about the constitution. Participants of the meeting also mentioned some ideas regarding the constitution. Following this, a brief discussion was made on the activities carried out by GGSO during the year 2011.

Election for GGSO officers was made after the above discussions.

Election of officers for the year 2012

Election of GGSO officers for the year 2012 was made by participants. Lee Boop explained the responsibilities of each position to participants. Lee Boop and Catie Carter run for President Position. Both candidates made a statement about their plan and answered questions raised from participants. Catie received the majority of the vote in a blind election. Other GGSO officers run uncontested.

Below is the list of GGSO officers elected for the year 2012.

President: Catie Carter is elected as the new GGSO President for the year 2012.

Vice President: Ophelia George was elected as the new GGSO Vice president for the year 2012.

Treasurer: Jacob Richardson was elected as the new GGSO Treasurer for the year 2012.

Activity chair: James Wilson was selected as the new GGSO Activity chair for the year 2012.

Secretary: Henok Kiflu was elected as the new GGSO Secretary for the year 2012.

Discussion on budget

Lee Boop started the discussion on Budget agenda by giving a brief summary of the GGSO budget for the year 2011. After the discussion Lee emailed a detail budget summery of the year 2011 to GGSO officers.

Lee informed the participants that the 1000 dollar travel grant money which was available in the past years is not available now. She informed the participants that their will be Informational session about travel grants which will be held on the coming weeks. She emailed detail information about the session to GGSO officers. The information session will be held on January 18, 19, 24 and 25th at MSC 4200 between 6pm and 7pm.

Discussion on 2012 GGSO activities

GGSO Field trip: James informed the participants that he is arranging a field trip to Alabama to visit an Impact crater site. James will inform the members with more detail in the future.

Valentine's Day potluck: Catie suggested Valentine's Day potluck which was an interesting event in the past years. Catie will inform the members with more detail in the future.

Coffee break: Jacob Richardson has suggested a coffee break for Geology students and staff every Monday between 9:30am-10:30am. The event will be held at coffee break room. He also suggested putting a donation box during the event as a way to raise money for the organization.

Staff donation: Based on the experience from other universities, participants discussed about the option of collecting \$10-\$20 donation from Department professors. Participants agreed to further discuss this idea with the department chairman.