GGSO meeting minutes: 21-8-2014 @ Beef O'Brady's

Topics:

- Please sign up with the GGSO on the student organization site to receive emails, updates, and other important announcements: https://orgsvnc.com/86949/chapter
- We would like to order USF geoscience apparel. Opinions on what kind (polo, t-shirt etc.) are needed
- Introduction of current Officers: Anita (President), Matt Hayes (VP), Sammy (PR, events), Lis (transitioning from Secretary to Treasurer), Heather (new Secretary)
- *Outings*: weekend events, we will schedule them at a later date. Input needed on what kind of places people would like to go. Fossil hunting and the beach were mentioned as ideas.
- *Workshops*: GGSO presents workshops on topics of interest to the grad students of the department. Currently, our idea is to do "Poster design for effective conference presentations". Give us suggestions if you would like to have a workshop on another topic.
- *Outreach*: we need volunteers for meeting with boy scouts/girl scouts to talk about rocks, minerals, geography. It's fun! We have a group visiting on Friday, October 17th in the evening.
- We also need one or two more volunteers to speak at a Science Night event on September 11 at a Young Middle School's Creative Science Center. You would give a 8-10 min talk about what you do as a scientist, then answer questions from the audience. Contact Anita (amarshall3@mail.usf.edu) if you are interested.
- Christmas party Get involved in the planning by joining the planning committee.
- Coffee hour: Every Monday morning from 9:30 10:30 a.m. in the break room on the 5th floor of SCA (free coffee, snacks with faculty, grad students, undergrads, etc.)

Attendance:

19 people in attendance (including students, professors, and spouses)