GSC Meeting, 23 Feb, 2011

1. **Opening:** Didi called the meeting to order at 11:32 AM
    1. **Roll Call -** Core GSC members and representatives from an array of graduate departments participated in the roll call.
    2. **MOM Review –** MOM for the general GSC meeting held on 01/26 and 02/09 were approved by all the GSC reps.
    3. **Treasury Report** – No active budget at this time.
    4. **Voting on amendments** – All reps unanimously voted in favor of incorporating the following amendment/addition to the GSC Constitution.

        Amendment

        The Graduate Student Council shall meet at least once a month and at other times as deemed necessary by the Graduate Student Council Executive Board while classes are in session and as needed during break periods. The day and time of the meeting shall be determined by the Graduate Student Council Executive Board and shall consider class schedules and student availability in their decision.

        Additions
        a. The Graduate Student Council President or his/her designated representative shall be solely responsible for organizing and scheduling Graduate Student Council meeting agendas.
        b. However, the following are required of each "full council meeting" : "roll call", "reading and approval of minutes", "treasurer`s report", and "shared governance committee reports". Any and all of these required segments are allowed to be omitted <u>only</u> in cases of extremely unusual time limitations.
        c. At the conclusion of every full Graduate Council Meeting, at least 5 minutes must be allotted for ANY currently enrolled Arkansas State University graduate student (regardless of GSC membership) to address full Council regarding issues that they deem warrants the Council`s action.

        EXCEPTION(S):

        Any/all of the above components are allowed to be omitted ONLY in case of extreme and unusual time limitations.

    5. **Shared Governance Committee Report**: The GSC external VP, Amy Hitt, and GSC Internal VP Tom Henry had been to their respective committee meetings. Please refer appendix for a report on the proceedings of these meetings.
        a. Voting was done on the Persona Non Grata proposal. All but 2 reps voted against it. So, in the upcoming SGOC meeting, Tom will vote against it.

b.Interim System IT Policy – Tom has requested the help of GSC reps in sifting through the proposal. 5 reps have agreed to extend help to Tom. Tom will be sending the relevant documents to the following reps who have offered help:
1. Mark Randall
2. Terri Spillman
3. Miranda Emery
4. Gabrielle Crumble
5. Amy Hitt

2. **Old Business**
    1. **Open Committee Spots** (Suspended due to time constraint)
    2. **NAGPS**
        a.**Advocacy Alert: 2012 National Budget Issue** – In the FY12 budget released by the White House this week, two recommendations were made that directly affect graduate and professional students. The more relevant one being -
        1. Ending the in-school interest subsidy on student loans for graduate, medical, and professional students.

        Please take 5 to 10 minutes to write to your representatives and Senators about these specific requests in FY 2012 Budget. Your voice as a current student holds incredible weight when talking to your elected leaders.

        b.Call for papers deadline is Feb 28th. GSC reps are supposed to forward these to Didi by this date.
        c. The NAGPS conference will be held between March 18th and 20th at Denton, TX.
        d.GSC reps interested in attending the meeting should contact Didi by Feb 28th to discuss the travel logistics.
    3. **Core Curriculum Concerns** – Tom Henry to sync with Mark Randall over the protocol to be followed to sync with the dean of business school.
    4. **International Office Insurance** (Suspended due to time constraint)
    5. **Graduate Student Orientation** (Suspended due to time constraint)
    6. **+/- Grading System** (Suspended due to time constraint)
    7. **Structure and Funding Review and Strategy** – The GSC exec board is interacting with Dr. Howard (The ASU Chancellor) and Dr. Stripling (Vice Chancellor of Students Affairs) over the proceeding in this context.
    Following are the two decision taken in the purview of Structure and Funding Strategy:
        1. ***Does the GSC need to discuss the proposal on FaceBook?*** – Not at this time.
        2. ***If there a GUARANTEED YEARLY dollar amount that, if allocated, GSC would be okay with staying under SGA?*** – GSC needs to autonomous in order to effectively represent the Graduate Students in SGA.

3. **New Business**
    1. Ms. Julie Thatcher provided information on the event dedicated for acclaiming the scholarly and research activities conducted across the various departments in ASU. She

also requested GSC reps to disseminate information regarding this event in their respective graduate departments so that graduate students can submit an abstract (not more than 750 characters) of their research work for consideration during this event. Ms Thatcher also requested for any volunteers for this event.

2. **March Meeting Dates –**
   a. March 23rd - No meeting.
   b. March 30th – Exec meeting to be replaced by General GSC Meeting.
   c. No open form due to time restraint.

4. **<u>Meeting Adjourned –</u>** Meeting adjourned at 12:45 PM

APPENDIX

Technology Fee Budget – Final Draft

Arkansas State University
Technology Fee Budget 2011-2012
DRAFT: 24 Feb 2011
318,600 SCH

Section I: Current Commitments

		Hourly Rate:	$10 Per Credit Hour		
	Projected Revenues			$ 3,186,000.00	
Current Commitments	**Quantity**	**Cost Per Unit**	**Fringe/Tax**	**Total Allocation**	
Research and Academic Affairs Computer Replacements	325	$ 1,300.00	$ 104.00	$ 456,300.00	
Student Affairs	38	$ 1,300.00	$ 104.00	$ 53,352.00	
Finance and Administration	8	$ 1,300.00	$ 104.00	$ 11,232.00	
ITTC Funding	1	$ 115,000.00	$ 9,200.00	$ 124,200.00	(transferred $35,000 from Sect II
Computer Lab Replacements	57	$ 875.00	$ 70.00	$ 53,865.00	
Software Site Licensing	1	$ 48,000.00	$ 3,840.00	$ 51,840.00	
Campus Agreement	1	$ 447,500.00	$ 35,800.00	$ 483,300.00	
Tegrity	1	$ 84,936.00	$ 6,794.88	$ 91,730.88	
Total Current Commitments				$ 1,325,819.88	
Balance Less Commitments				$ 1,860,180.12	

Section II: Infrastructure Needs

Infrastructure Needs	Quantity	Cost Per Unit	Fringe/Tax	Total Allocation	Continuing
ERP Funding Support*	1	$ 280,000.00	$ -	$ 280,000.00	$ 280,000.00
Debt Service (Year 2 of 5)	1	$ 917,883.00	$ -	$ 917,883.00	$ -
Total Infrastructure Needs				$ 1,197,883.00	$ -
Balance Less Infrastructure				$ 662,297.12	

Section III: Pending Investments (prioritized)

Pending Investments	Priority	Quantity	Cost Per Unit	Fringe/Tax	Total Allocation	Continuing	
Classroom Support Technicians	1	2	$ 40,000.00	$ 12,000.00	$ 104,000.00	$ 34,320.00	(3-year transition to E&G)
Career Management System	2	1	$ 12,312.00	$ 3,693.60	$ 16,005.60	$ -	(transfer to E&G 2012-2013)
Student Technology Support Center	3	1	$ 160,000.00	$ 12,800.00	$ 172,800.00	$ 40,000.00	(move to Section I, 2012-2013)
Smarter Measures	4	1	$ 6,500.00	$ 520.00	$ 7,020.00	$ -	(transfer to E&G 2012-2013)
Wimba	5	1	$ 30,000.00	$ 2,400.00	$ 32,400.00	$ -	(transfer to E&G 2012-2013)
Evaluation Kit	6	1	$ 15,000.00	$ 1,200.00	$ 16,200.00	$ 16,200.00	(determination to be made 2011-20
Blackboard Community System	7	1	$ 30,000.00	$ 2,400.00	$ 32,400.00	$ 16,200.00	(2 year transition to E&G, begin: 20
Classroom Technology Improvements	9	1	$ 90,000.00	$ -	$ 90,000.00	$ -	
Campus Wireless Increase	10	1	$ 90,000.00	$ -	$ 90,000.00	$ -	
Total Pending Investments					$ 560,825.60		
Balance Less Pending Investments					$ 101,471.52		
**Proposal Subtotal					$ 3,084,528.48		
Balance Less Subtotal					$ 101,471.52		