

**Fall Quarter Meeting #3
30 October 2020**

Meeting Minutes:

1. Welcome & Introductions
 - a. Lucien Darjuen Meadows, Chris Gunderson, Angela Gattuso, Eden Leal, Emily Abellon, Evelyn Hampton, Jordan Bennett, Leia Lynn, Mariah Barnes, Mike Roos
2. Vote: GSFF Solidarity Statement with RAHR
 - a. The statement is here:

GSFF Solidarity Statement with RAHR
Approved by the Board and Representatives
10/30/2020

We, the Executive Board and the Representatives of the Graduate Students of the Four Faculties (GSFF), stand in firm solidarity with Righteous Anger, Healing Resistance (RAHR). One of GSFF's main goals is to discuss and/or address any issues that may arise pertaining to graduate student needs at DU, and to give these issues voice through representation at Graduate Student Government (GSG). The tokenization, marginalization, and silencing of marginalized students at DU is a serious issue pertaining to student needs and affecting the entire DU community. As such, GSFF joins GSG and other student organizations in supporting the protest and advocacy efforts of RAHR.

In response to the University's failure to address RAHR's demands for institutional accountability and change, we stand in solidarity with RAHR, the Native Student Alliance, and all marginalized DU students. The Chancellor's decision to ignore these demands most affects those students who are already underrepresented on campus and further marginalizes them. Moreover, it creates an atmosphere in which the status quo and tradition are valued over DU's students and changes that are necessary for the future integrity of this institution. Without the very students whose voices are being dismissed, diversity at DU would disappear. DU cannot continue to tokenize students in the name of "inclusive excellence."

Therefore, GSFF joins many DU students, including the representatives of GSG, Undergraduate Student Government, College of Education Student Association, and a growing number of other student associations in standing in solidarity with RAHR's #NoMorePios campaign to remove the Pioneer moniker.

Further, we fully support RAHR's right to protest, RAHR's right to be heard, and RAHR's courage in this important work. We stand in solidarity with RAHR.

b. Vote: All voted in favor of this Solidarity Statement!

- i. It can viewed on DU's GSFF Home Page at:
<https://portfolio.du.edu/gsff>

3. Hands-On: Revising a GSFF Application

- a. Here is the link to view a correct application and one the one that needs help: (The app labeled "Sample" is the correct one)
 - i. https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1X39PzcdYSzouwkqyuKpcte_wJGvRvkzV?usp=sharing
- b. Evelyn walked us through an application that needs help. Here are the errors:
 - i. Didn't provide Proof of Merit (aka presentation list)
 - 1. Include Conference Registration receipt
 - a. Include exact conference dates
 - ii. Use DU email
 - iii. PioneerWeb mailing address is should be home address
 - iv. Academic Department or Graduate Program (ex: English)
 - 1. Degree should be the degree seeking (ex: Masters; PhD)
 - v. Date of Conference: provide exact dates
 - vi. Roles: don't need to circle all of them, just the necessary ones
 - vii. GSA should be the "GSFF" in the blank
 - 1. GSA Rep Name--list at least two
 - viii. Total Reimbursement Requested should be full total of all expenses from Expense Log
 - ix. Expense Log should be exact amount down to the penny
 - 1. Do not round to the nearest dollar
 - 2. Don't forget to include Registration Fees
 - x. Splitting Costs
 - 1. Would be simpler if each person paid for themselves (if possible) or include Venmo payments (payback receipts)
 - a. Especially if you didn't make the initial payments
 - b. Provide an email explanation of splitting costs
 - c. Provide credit card transactions of paybacks
 - xi. Full amount requested from GSA should be the \$766 and change, not just the \$300
- c. *The board of representatives at GSFF is here to help if you have any application questions*

Take Away's and To Do's:

- 1. Funding applications are due to Lucien by noon on Friday, Nov. 6th.**
 - a. Next week will be the funding meeting where we will go through each application!
 - 1. *** Please also make sure you have a way to reach your applicants during the funding meeting in case we run into issues with their applications (example: Phone; Email).

2. **For your department to be eligible for funding for the Fall Quarter, you must have a representative present for at least two of our four meetings per quarter to be eligible for funding.**
 - a. If you, the GSFF representative, cannot make a meeting, you may send another member of your department in your place.
3. Just a reminder, we only have one more meeting of the quarter:
Meeting #4 (week 8): 2pm on Friday, 11/6
4. We currently do not have GSFF representation from International and Intercultural Communication or the Religious Studies departments. If you know of anyone from those departments that would be interested in being a GSFF rep, please let us know. We want to make sure all departments are represented!
5. If you are no longer a part of GSFF and/or don't want to receive these emails anymore, please let me know and I will remove you from the email list.

Any questions? Contact any member of the GSFF Executive Board:

- * Lucien, President (Lucien.meadows@du.edu)
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