

## **GSFF Fall Quarter 1st Meeting**

**Tuesday, September 20, 2022**

### **Meeting Minutes**

#### **Introductions**

1. Gabrielle Welsh (Biology)
2. Samia Anderson (English)
3. Tommy Dainko (Music)
4. Lili Houston (Physics)
5. Mike Roos (Physics)
6. Shannon Powers (Psychology)
7. Gorkem Er (Psychology)
8. Sarah Davis (English)
9. Lucien Meadows (English)
10. Zainab Abdalla (Computer Science)
11. Vanessa Taylor (anthropology)

#### **What is GSFF?**

1. Provide funding reimbursement for conferencing
2. Present graduate student concerns to GSG

#### **Overview of the Portfolio Page**

1. Note that resources will need to be relocated by June 2023

#### **Overview of Finances**

1. Discussion of raising funding cap to \$500 for presenters
  - a. \$30k in bank
  - b. Funding dispersed quarterly
  - c. Board will vote to temporarily raise funding cap to \$500 for presenters/\$400 for attendees for 22-23 AY

#### **GSFF vs GSPDG**

#### **Concerns Raised**

##### **Disparities in funding**

1. Differences exist in how/if departments distribute funding
  - a. eg, departments in NSM get funding from advisors
  - b. Is there a way to normalize this with other schools/encourage NSM students to apply?
2. Should funding percentages reflect how much funding is provided to applicant in stipends? How much conferences across departments cost?
3. Suggestions
  - a. Sharing stipend/funding information so that representatives can individually lobby their departments for more equitable funding

- b. Create document aimed at students who get funding from advisors to encourage them to apply also for GSFF and potentially increase the number of conferences they can attend annually
- c. Use the GSFF application checkbox asking if applicant is receiving additional funding from grants to decrease percentage of GSFF funding that such applicants will receive