

## **Graduate Student Council Semester Summary – Spring 2004**

Co-Presidents: Pam Buchalter and Judy Fontana  
Secretary: Tanya Weimer  
Treasurer: Yaron Lahav  
Travel Treasurer: Alessandra Ribeiro  
Co-Social Chairs: Brandi Gorden and Maria Zakharova  
Ticket Czarina: Katie Ford  
Work Study: Vicki Suarez-Palomo

### **Significant Accomplishments**

- Passed a revised copy of the Constitution, which included improved layout/organization, updated procedures according to current practices, and changes to improve current practices, esp:
  - o Addition of the office of Vice President (elected in Fall)
  - o Increased travel grant amount from \$150 to \$200, effective for travel after September 1, 2004
  - o Clarified chartering guidelines under the GSC (see also next bullet)
  - o Increased ticketed event spending amount from \$1500 to \$3000
  - o Addition of a summary requirement for all funded events
  - o Expanded the role of Department Representatives
- Passed a revised copy of the GSC Chartering Guidelines – addressed the existence of and differences between two specific types of organizations: Special Interest Organizations and Departmental Organizations

### **GSC Monthly Meeting Speakers and/or Significant Events**

January – No meeting

February – Dr. Bryan Noe, Interim Dean of the GSAS

March – Elections, Discussed/Voted on Constitution (Elections, Vice President)

April – Finished elections, Discussed Chartering Guidelines and appointed a sub-committee to examine the guidelines and report back in May

May – Discussed/Voted on Constitution and Chartering Guidelines

### **Funding Requests Granted**

January – No Meeting

February

1. \$1000 to Spanish and Portuguese for a Translation Workshop
2. \$500 to Women's Studies for their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Studies Undergraduate Conference
3. \$1000 to the GDBBS for their 8<sup>th</sup> Annual BCMB Training Grant Symposium
4. \$500 to Comparative Literature for the Susan Buck-Moss lecture

March

1. \$1000 to the Institute of African Studies Graduate Student Forum for their seminar entitled, "Diamonds, Oil and Africa: The Violent Costs of Consumption."

2. \$1000 to an International Cultural Festival
3. \$500 to Comparative Literature for the Samuel Weber lecture

April

1. \$500 to the Emory Korean Graduate Student Association for a conference with Dr. Jong Son Noh
2. \$500 to Immunology and Molecular Pathogenesis Speaker Committee for Dr. Antonio Lanzavecchia seminar

May – No Funding Requests

**Travel Grant Summary**

The Graduate Student Council received 228 requests for funding during the 2003/2004 school year. Our office reimbursed 39 students during the Fall Semester, granting them a total of \$5,850. During the Spring Semester 48 students were granted travel funds amounting to a total of \$7,200. As of May 27th, 2004 our office funded 87 students. These grants amounted to a total of \$13,050.

**Summary of Social Events**

**Ticketed Events**

Musical: Mamma Mia, February 26  
 50 tickets purchased; 48 tickets sold  
 \$45.50 paid per ticket; \$22 purchase per ticket  
 \$2275 total spent; \$1056 earned back

Baseball Game: Atlanta Braves vs. World Champion Florida Marlins, April 18  
 60 tickets purchased; 59 tickets sold  
 \$17 paid per ticket; \$8 purchase per ticket  
 \$1020 total spent; \$472 earned back

**Mixers**

**February 12** – Rock Bottom Brewery, \$4485.18

**March 16** – Limerick Junction, \$4264.00

**April 15** – Front Page News, \$3654.98

**May 26** – Poncho's Mexican Restaurant and Cantina, \$4097.14

**June 12** – Buckhead Backlot, Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban,

Tickets \$808.00, Food \$1110, Drinks \$200 (approx. total \$2118)