

GSA monthly meeting minutes

December 8th, 2021

The meeting was conducted on December 8th, 2021, beginning at 3:38 pm and ending at 3:53 pm in room 811, the undergrad representative (Bella) also attended.

DEI reps:

1. Statement from the department
2. The AOS website update
3. URGE deliverables
4. Making mini tasks for the URGE

Faculty committee:

1. 14th-floor update computer lab
2. request to rename the library
3. ombuds for graduate (sexual assault type of thing)
4. course evaluations

Treasurer:

1. The PDF of the Calendar has been sent out.

Social committee:

1. trivia night last week,
2. happy to set up more events in January

Faculty Liaison:

1. Recruitment went well.

Cookie decoration:

1. holiday party
2. celebration of winter month of any holiday
3. white elephant gift exchange
 - a. GSA is hosting a cookie decorating event tomorrow, (Thursday, Dec. 9) at 4:00 pm open to everyone in the building! If you'd like to come to hang out and decorate some cookies, come join us in 853 (the 8th-floor conference room/kitchen). Cookie decorating will take place from 4-5pm. At 4:30pm, we will also host a gift exchange. Even if you don't want to participate in either activity, still feel free to come to hang out!
 - b. **How the gift exchange works:** find an item in your house that you can give away. You can also make an item if you're crafty. Please don't buy a gift. Wrap

the gift (plastic bags are acceptable wrappings). Add your gift to the gift pile. Everyone then picks a number out of a hat and selects a random gift in numerical order. Unwrap the gift. Yay! Surprise item! This event is sometimes called a White Elephant if you're familiar with that name.

- c. **How the cookie decorating works:** we'll provide plain cookies and decorating supplies, including vegan and gluten-free options. There will be no nuts in any of the cookies or decorating materials. Decorate as many cookies as you like! Please refrain from eating cookies until you are back in your office, at home, or outside room 853.
4. share what to celebrate

Assistant treasurer:

- Brie is graduating. Starting in Feb, we should vote and nominate a new treasurer.
- No requirement to participate in GSA, but in the previous year, Juliet got funding by writing a proposal, Brie brings us Calendars.
- The only required responsibility is to go to UW credit union, get a credit card on behalf of GSA
- Contact Brie if interested.