History Graduate Student Organization
Third Meeting—Fall 2013
November 1, 2013 - 7:00 pm

Presiding officers: Chelsea Stevens-President, Peter Dobek-Vice President, Leland Hart-Treasurer, Iris Petty - Secretary

Members present: Spencer Hunt, Eric Denby, Kyle Moerchen, Randy Janes

I. Call to Order
   a. 7:15 pm

II. Approval of Agenda

III. Reports

   a. Graduate Studies Committee
      i. Has not met yet- graduate representative will contact Dr. Yoshida for further information

   b. Faculty
      i. A faculty review is being called

   c. Undergraduate Studies
      i. Enrollment numbers for history majors and minors in the LEC and Secondary Education tracts are dropping
      ii. HGSO suggested that the career services on campus make presentations to history classes in order to better inform students about career options, as well as to make the career services office better known to our undergraduates.

   d. Research
      i. November 14th - Dr. Childs presentation
      ii. Committee is seeking to promote this lecture
      iii. Are having a catered lunch on the 14th and hope to see many attendees

   e. TAU
      i. The healthcare rally was a success, garnered much participation and news coverage
      ii. At the end of November, there will be a forum discussing Marketplace insurance

   f. Phi Alpha Theta
      i. Representative Rachel-absent
ii. Dr. Cousins wants to get graduate students more involved with the organization

iii. HGSO suggested a mentorship program between graduate students/undergraduates

g. GSAC
   i. Representative Jack-absent

IV. HGSO Committee Representatives

a. Fundraising
   i. Coffee Sales
      1. Going on this month
      2. Forms may be tuned in to Eric Denby by Nov. 30th.
      3. Coffee will be delivered no later than Friday, Dec. 6th.
   
   ii. T-shirt sales?
      1. Possible spring fundraiser
      2. Sell for $12, $7 to print (one ink color on a colored t-shirt)
      3. $5 profit per t-shirt
      4. HGSO slogan contest in spring, winner’s slogan to be featured on t-shirts
      5. Fundraising committee will need to check into possible copyright laws concerning WMU logos, etc.

V. Social Affairs
   b. Ice skating
      i. Possibly to be held the 7th or 8th of December
      ii. Location TBD

VI. Research Award Committee
   a. This committee needs to hold its first meeting sometime soon
   b. Randy Janes volunteered for the committee

VII. Workshop Committee
   a. Ideas for spring workshops:
      i. Research techniques workshop
      ii. Conference presentation panel
         1. Committee should talk to Dr. Kachun about this
      iii. Visit/guided tour of the new archives

VIII. Treasurer’s Report
   a. Total in account as of November 1, 2013: $1,281.28.
   b. This amount has increased from last month

IX. New Business
   a. Spring Speaker
i. HGSO spring speaker for 2014 is Dr. Elizabeth Digeser of UC Santa Barbara

b. Spring Speaker Committee Volunteers
   i. Kyle Moerchen, Kyler Williamsen, Justin DeHondt, Iris Petty

c. Date proposals
   i. Friday, March 21, 2014

X. Old Business

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Iris Petty, HGSO Secretary
November 8, 2013