Entomology Graduate Student Association (EGSA)

*Approve June 2018 meeting minutes – approved 12:06 PM

Altura Account Changes

Account Number: *redacted from public record*

Names to be Removed from Altura Entomology Graduate Student Association bank account:
- Josh Wemmer (former Vice President)
- Austin Baker (former Treasurer)

Names to be added to the Altura Entomology Graduate Student Association bank account:
- Jacob Cecala (President)
- Luke Kresslein (Vice President)
- Christine Dodge (Treasurer)

EGSA Officer Reports

President – Jake Cecala (Outgoing: Chrissy Dodge)
- EGSA has been re-registered as a mini-GSA on UCR HighlanderLink. New grad students: please register as an EGSA member on HighlanderLink (highlanderlink.ucr.edu/organization/egsa) to maintain an accurate roster.
- Informal social at Getaway Cafe for incoming students (9/13): ~20 attendees.
- Congratulations on a successful Entomology Student Seminar Day (9/19). Thank you to Krissy Dominguez and all the judges and other volunteers for organizing a great day.
- Annual camping trip at Barton Flats Campground (9/21-23): 13 attendees. Thank you Chrissy Dodge for organizing the trip. Send me campsite suggestions for next year.
- Thank you to all volunteers at the Welcome Back Picnic (9/28). At least 100 attendees this year.
- Hand vote (simple majority required) on EGSA Officers for 2018-19.
  - **Vice President** (Outgoing: Josh Wemmer)
    - Nominees: Luke Kresslein, Rob Straser, Deena Husein
    - New Vice President: Luke Kresslein
      - 15 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstained
  - **Treasurer** (Outgoing: Austin Baker)
    - Nominees: Chrissy Dodge, Laura Leger
    - New Treasurer: Chrissy Dodge
      - 9 in favor for Chrissy, 1 in favor for Laura, 0 abstained
  - **Minister of Truth** (Outgoing: Laura Leger)
Nominees: Erica Sarro, Tessa Shates, Sam Smith, Krissy Dominguez, Rob Straser, Paul Masonick, Madison Sankovitz, Kaleigh Fisher, Mari West, Xinmi Zhang

New Minister of Truth: Kaleigh Fisher
- 5 in favor of Kaleigh Fisher, 0 in favor of Krissy Dominguez, 8 abstained
- Finalize 2018-19 EGSA Committee appointments by end of meeting.

**Vice President** – Josh Wemmer (Outgoing)
- Nothing to report.

**Treasurer** – Austin Baker (Outgoing)

Balance May 31, 2018: $7576.55
- Cash: $1385.41
- Bank: $5995.05
- FAU: $196.09

Balance October 1, 2018: $7147.19
- Cash: $1044.23
- Bank: $5906.87
- FAU: $196.09

**Minister of Truth** – Laura Leger (Outgoing)

**EGSA Representatives**

**GSA** – Ben DeMasi-Sumner (Outgoing: Kaleigh Fisher)

**ISAC** – Krissy Dominguez (Outgoing: Kaleigh Russell)
- Major thanks to all the amazing judges, moderators, and volunteers for helping out on Student Seminar Day!
- Next ISAC meeting is October 15th. If there is anything you would like brought up please let me know.

**Displays, Exhibits, & Outreach** – Xinmi Zhang (Outgoing: Nancy Power)
- The 12-hour travel grant starts over in October. If students haven’t finished their hours for this year’s ESA, they can continue to work on that. If students have finished their 12 hours, their outreach hours from October can be counted as the next year’s travel grant.
- I suggest everyone keep a record of their outreach hours (date, time, event name, hours) their own while sending hours to the outreach coordinator to refer back if needed.
- Dennis Lee will be taking over the outreach coordinator duty from Monday, October 8, 2018.

- Please submit your voucher specimens used in publications to the Museum. Contact Doug Yanega (dyanega@ucr.edu) for help or with questions.

Seminar & Special Lectures – Tessa Shates, Kaleigh Fisher, & Mari West (Outgoing: Jake Cecala)

Website & Newsletter – Nancy Power (Outgoing: Deena Husein)

- Update on website - switching to Drupal, Paige in charge, committee: Nina, Ring, Alec, Paige, Hollis, me. Trying to create mechanisms to keep website and lobby photos up-to-date. Drupal can incorporate videos as well as photos. Committee will be meeting monthly. All departments required to switch to Drupal by June.

TA Union – Ben DeMasi-Sumner

EGSA Committees
(* denotes committee chairs or co-chairs)

Fundraising & Events – Kaleigh Russell*, Kelsey Schall, Tessa Shates, Erica Sarro, Kaleigh Fisher, Mari West, Gabby Martinez, Laura Leger, Madison Sankovitz, Chrissy Dodge, Genesis Chong (outgoing: Kelsey Schall as co-chair, Xinmi Zhang)

- Updates on annual Holiday Craft Fair.
  - No Craft Fair this year.
  - GoFundMe to make some money
  - Smaller events


- T-shirt Design Contest time! Please send your designs to Austin (bakerau73@gmail.com) and/or Paul (pmasonick@gmail.com). The vote for new shirt design will be next month some time.
- Buttons!

Hospitality – Jackie Serrano*, Ben DeMasi-Sumner


- Nothing to report.

Technology & Social Media – Paul Masonick*, Sam Smith*, Krissy Dominguez, Ryan Perry (Outgoing: Rob Straser)
• Looking for someone to take over managing the UCR Entomology Twitter account (@UCRentomology).

• Write a blog post for the EGSA blog (ucr-egsa.weebly.com) and receive one hour of outreach. Great way to highlight your research or other entomological interest, and looks good on a C.V.

Promotional – AUSTIN Baker* & Luke Kresslein
• Newly formed committee. Needs at least two members.
• Tasks include: Managing the graduate student photos/display board

Exam – Tessa Shates* (Outgoing: Ben DeMasi-Sumner*, Nancy Power)
• Provide materials.

Additional Agenda Items
• Jake Cecala: *Ad hoc* committee meeting this month on budget revision with President, former and current Treasurer, Fundraising & Events Chairs.
  o Kaleigh Russell, Jake Cecala, Austin Baker, Chrissy Dodge
• Nancy Power: Would EGSA be interested in advocating for or buying chairs for the table in the 2nd floor lobby of the Ent. Bldg? Chairs that are comfy and all the same, instead of the motley collection of cast-off chairs there now. More like the 3rd floor lobby chairs.
  o No. Maybe talk to Rick about going to surplus, but decided that it is not an EGSA matter.
• Kaleigh Fisher and Erica Sarro: Concerns about graduate student funding becoming more transparent. They have spoken with Rick and have made a Google Doc where people can write about their experiences with funding mishaps. Jake will send out Google Doc.
• GSA no longer splits check for AirBnB – be mindful when booking for conferences

Meeting adjourned: 12:55 PM

Attendees
1. Kaleigh Russell
2. Chrissy Dodge
3. Josh Wemmer
4. Stephanie Castillo
5. Benjamin Nyman
6. Kaleigh Fisher
7. Kelsey Schall
8. Xinmi Zhang
9. Madison Sankovitz
10. Erica Sarro
11. Austin Baker
12. Tessa Shates
13. Krissy Dominguez
14. Dennis Lee
15. Jaimie Kenney
16. Luke Kresslein
17. Laura Leger
18. Jacob Cecala