

Tuesday February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017**Entomology Graduate Student Association**

\*Approve January 2017 minutes – Approved 12:22PM

**Officer Reports*****President*** – Jackie Serrano

- Linnaean games practices are Tuesdays @ 6pm in the small conference room.
- Travel grant applications for Pac Branch due March 1<sup>st</sup> by 3pm.
- Update from Kathy Redd
  - “Office hours”: Mondays 1-150pm, Tuesday s 10-11am, and Thursdays 1-2pm
  - Emails
    - Cc Amy Ricks (amy.ricks@ucr.edu) as a backup to ensure a response (always).
    - Be more explicit in emails about what you need
    - Kathy will work on acknowledging the receipt of your email.
  - If absolutely necessary, have Paige put a meeting on Kathy’s calendar.
- EGSA Camping Trip is not scheduled (because Student Seminar Day is not totally scheduled) but is planned for Point Mugu State Park/Beach.

***Vice President*** – Chrissy Dodge

- Applications for CNAS graduate student scholarships are due Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 11:59pm. All application materials should be emailed to Dawn Loyola - dawn.loyola@ucr.edu

***Treasurer*** – Jake Cecala

Since last EGSA meeting (18 Jan 2017):

**Income (58.76)**

- 58.76 – misc. merch sales

**Expenses (81.00)**

- 80.00 – pizza for EGSA meeting on 18 Jan 2017
- 1.00 – monthly Altura account fee

**Current balances (7 Feb 2017)**

- Cash on hand: 522.33

- Altura account: 10,713.40

TOTAL FUNDS: 11,235.73

Reminder: Please keep receipts for all purchases related to Recruitment Day (17 Feb) and any other upcoming events for which you wish to be reimbursed.

***Minister of Truth*** – Deena Husein

### **Committee Reports**

***Fundraising*** – Kelsey Schall, Kaleigh Russel, Chrissy Dodge, and Tessa Shates

- Insect fair planning underway
- Waiting on forms/materials from Riverside Metropolitan Museum

***Merchandise*** – Paul Masonick (Chair), Austin Baker, Kelsey Schall, Kristin Wolfe, Krissy Dominguez

- Possibility of having a merchandise booth at Urban Entomology Conference in March- show of demand from the previous conference.

***Social Committee*** – Mari West (Co-chair), Levi Zahn, Paul Masonick, Chrissy Dodge, Deena Husein (Co-chair)

- Tacos vs. Hot dogs
- Possibility of a mini game competition as a social event for spring.

***GSA Representative*** – Kaleigh Fisher

***Exam*** – Ben Demasi-Sumner

- Shhh. Provide materials.

***Technology*** - Eric Gordon (Chair), Ryan Perry, Amelia Lindsey, Paul Masonick

- New members to take over: Kaleigh Russel, Kelsey Schall, Krissy Dominguez, Tessa Shates and Deena Husein

***Hospitality (Winter Qtr. Recruitment Day)*** – Amelia Lindsey

- Recruitment day set for Friday 2/17. Please volunteer if you have yet to do so.

### **EGSA Departmental Representative Reports**

***Instructional and Student Affairs Committee (ISAC)*** – Amelia Lindsey

- *ad hoc* Qualls Committee

- We are updating qualifying exam forms such that responsibilities of chair and student are more transparent, and adhered to. If you would like to provide input, let me know. We are sending our recommendation to ISAC next week.
- We are developing a joint BS/MS program. Once Rick approves forms to send to the faculty for approval, I will share with EGSA to get feedback on the degree requirements.

***Seminar Representatives*** – Jake Cecala & Michelle Miner

***Entomology Research Museum*** – Austin Baker

- Please submit voucher specimens used in publications to Museum. Contact Doug Yanega with any questions.

***Displays, Exhibits, and Outreach*** – Nancy Power

***Website and Newsletter*** – Eric Gordon

- Reminder: EGSA Blog (<http://ucr-egsa.weebly.com/>): Please write blog posts for our EGSA blog. This is great free and easy publicity for yourself, great for your CV. Each blog post = 1 hour of outreach service!
- Reminder: Student publications are announced on the website (<http://egsa.ucr.edu/>). Whenever you publish something, send the citation info to [egord003@ucr.edu](mailto:egord003@ucr.edu) to have it included (including recent past).

**Special Agenda Item** – Nichole Ginnan

- Conference travel grant application
- Initially, fill out and submit a one page form by the deadline (the first month prior to the month of the actual conference) – Preferable to submit in person.
- The rest of the application can be submitted afterwards.
- Keep your receipts for everything (!!!)
- Reimbursement might go straight to your student account if you have not manually changed the settings after the implementation of UCR's new webserver.

Meeting adjourned: 1:03PM