10/19/2017 Minutes for GSAS Senate Meeting

- Call To Order 5:00 PM
- Roll
  - Members Present:
    - Accounting - Aryssa Ciuffo
    - Appalachian Studies - Jacob Meadows
    - Biology - Byron Burrell
    - Business Administration (MBA) - Hope Anderson
    - Computer Science - Broderick DeSantis
    - Communication - Audra Vaz
    - English - Andrea Suarez
    - Geography & Planning - Elisa MacGoun
    - Government and Justice Studies - Kayla Young
    - Health and Exercise Science - Erica Larson
    - Human Development and Psychological Counseling - Stephanie Cooke
    - Language, Literature, and Culture - Judson MacDonald
    - Mathematical Science - Averia Padgett
    - Music - Phil Treutel
    - Nutrition and Healthcare Management - Dylan Rudisill
    - Physics and Astronomy - Michael Paolino
    - Psychology - Lauren Francis
    - Reading Education and Special Education - Brooke Hardin
    - Social Work - Rachael Everett
    - Sustainable Technology and the Built Environment - George Lewis
  - Members Absent:
    - Applied Data Analytics - Ashton Phillips
    - Communication Science and Disorders - Riley Dobbins
    - Cultural, Gender and Global Studies - Vacant
    - Curriculum and Instruction - Vacant
    - Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership (Ed.D.) - Vacant
    - History - Evan Wallace
    - Leadership and Educational Studies - Rawdon Marroquin
    - Nursing - Chris Smith
    - Sociology - Vacant
- Minutes from 9-14-2017 approved unanimously without change
- VP Pope moved the departmental updates above outside speakers on the agenda
- University Committee Updates
  - GAPP
    - PsyD program was established.
- Masters of Athletic Training was established
  - Library services
    - No Updates. Meetings to be held soon.
- QEP
  - International Week is Monday, November 13th to Friday, November 17th.
  - The 5th Annual Global Symposium will be on Wednesday, November 15th and have 4 sessions that are majority student led. (here's a link to the website for more info: https://international.appstate.edu/get-involved/appalachian-global-symposium)
  - This year's symposium will focus on Global Learning, Global Sustainability, and Global Diversity through class projects, travels, research and collaborations between faculty, staff and students. (from the website)
  - The new Honors College Dean spoke about his ideas and plans for the future of the college. One idea was possibly having grad students as mentors to some of the honors college students.
  - The Second Annual Global Immersion Day will be held 11/17 (this involves students from community colleges coming to App State to discuss their experiences.
- Tuition and Fees
  - No Update
- University Scholarship Selection
  - No Update due to Social Chair Ferrone’s absence
- Athletics Council
  - Met with coaches and received updates from the Athletic Director
  - No votes were made
- Bookstore
  - VP Pope made mention that this committee was left off of the agenda.
  - VP Pope sits on this committee and updated everyone that the committee is still establishing meeting times.
- GSAS Committees
  - Finance Committee
    - Almost all requests fully funded
    - Awardees are listed on GSAS website
  - Elections Committee
    - Met with 3 potential candidates for Secretary
    - One dropped out
  - Social Committee
- November Tailgates cancelled unanimously
- Social Mixers should continue to be held
- Need to find a better way to identify grad students for socials

- Secretary Election
  - Both candidates gave short presentations on their experiences and qualifications for the position. The candidates then left the room for the vote
  - Aryssa Ciuffo - 9 votes, Erica Larson - 8 votes

- Address from the President
  - President Mackall updated the senate on ASG. ASG had two major concerns. One, that the President of ASG, Tyler Hardin, does not have a vote on the UNC Board of Governors on which he has a seat. The second is the free speech bill in front of the Board of Governors which has concerning language. Language which could limit the free speech of Students on Campus.
  - President Mackall also talked about the formation of Graduate Student Government Association. Graduate Students have no representation on SGA and, therefore, no student governance. He recommends GSAS becoming GSGA.

- Discussion of GSGA
  - It was mentioned of joining SGA potentially. Others had concerns over differing agendas of graduate and undergraduate students.
  - Possibly creating ex-officio seats SGA and GSGA for each other to keep both groups informed of one another
  - Discussion of the Constitution was tabled to the November meeting by VP Pope due to time constraints and needed additions.

- Adjournment 6:19 PM