

## December GSC Meeting 12/4/2013

Start time: 6:35pm

### 1. Election

a. At large Rep for Longwood Medical Area

Will rep student interests and ask what students are interested in

Also sit on a committee to select Marshal meetings. Plus exec meetings and dean's meetings.

No interest

b. At-Large rep for Masters Students

Any interest? No

c. Publicity Manager

Task of changing the website. Making posters and posting them around Dudley

No interest

Will be voted on again next meeting. If you or another person is interested please run!!

### 2. Teaching Policy Review and Survey

Ben Franta

Started an initiative of the teaching fellow policies and address the problems with being a teacher

Working more than they should be, sometimes the policies are unclear or no policies at all

Created a task force to look into this

4-5 people working on this issue now

Met with the Deans

Working on a survey about the issues with TFs to take to the administration so they can work on the issues

Also work to set up an online anonymous comment to give us leads to problems we are not aware of to look into further

If anyone is interested in getting involved?

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### 3. Mini Courses now available for sign up: please post flier in your dept lounge or common area

Huge interest of people wanting to teach in January

Back of agenda and online has the information about the mini courses

Please talk about the courses with people in your department

No exams, no requirements

Any questions? No

### 4. Tax Event- Thursday, Dec 6, 6pm in Robinson Basement Seminar Room

Get there early if you do come, will be crowded

### 5. Mentoring Awards Committee

Shelley Liu

Getting reading for the ceremony for April  
Professors (4-5) are selected  
Most of the work will be in March or April  
Will happen in Dudley  
All nominees are mentioned and it is a great ceremony  
Very gratifying  
Not responsible for selecting the nominations,

#### **6. Committee for February Forum on Teaching Issues**

Interest in the teaching forum?  
It is an event to hear people's experiences about teaching issues  
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#### **7. Student Group Funding Approval**

Only reps are allowed to vote on the funding approval  
Take role to see if everyone is here  
Then vote for the allocation of the funding  
No science in the news, mahjong society, GSAS business club,  
Any questions? No  
Move to vote to approve the budget  
In favor: all  
Funding approved

#### **8. Open Floor: Question, comments, and concerns**

none  
Super fast meeting finished at 6:48pm