

## Meeting Minutes

10/13/22

- Approval of Meeting Minutes (from 9/15 /22)
  - Lauren McGiven (*CEEES*) made motion to approve
  - Nick Ross (*Electrical Engineering*) seconded the motion
- Hailey Sanders (*GSG Co-VP, Chemistry & Biochemistry*)
  - GSG Blood Drive October 24
  - Looking for volunteers to set up/take down
- Committee Chairs discussed monthly reports (reports are in agenda)
- Guest Speaker, Anna Balas (*Program Manager, Office of Sustainability*)
  - Recycling returns to campus
    - Recycling was temporarily paused due to
      - Contamination
        - Changes to international recycling markets
        - High levels of on-campus contamination (trash in bins)
        - No plastic bags allowed
      - Labor Shortage
        - Less people on campus creating waste
        - Increased responsibilities & fewer Building Services Staff
    - More Intentional
      - Providing staff & students with recycling opportunity
      - Reducing contamination due to proximity/convenience
      - Removing bags from the system
    - More Focused
      - Building Services staff can focus on enhanced cleaning
      - The Recycling Team can provide more specialized recycling services
  - How to Recycle
    - Staff/Faculty/Grad Students
      - Recyclables go directly to the toter
        - Currently located in academic buildings
      - Can collect recycling in a desk-side bin but need to be responsible for dumping bin into a toter.
      - Cardboard should be flattened & taken to cardboard cart
    - Building Services Staff
      - Will service the central collection point each week
  - Acceptable Items
    - Cans
      - Clean, no liquids

- Bottles
      - Caps are accepted
      - Clean, no liquids
    - Paper
      - Newspaper
      - Paper
      - Junk mail
      - Magazines
    - Flattened Cardboard
      - Keep it clean
        - Flatten cardboard before placing in gray cart on the dock
  - Clean & Loose
    - Clean
      - No liquids
      - No food
      - No trash
    - Loose
      - No plastic bags
      - Can collect items in desk-side bin but keep liner in your small bin
- Subash Gamage (*GSG President, Chemistry & Biochemistry*)
  - Stipend committee still slowly moving with talks
  - First meeting Tuesday with College of Engineering
- Questions, Updates, Announcements
  - Mimi Beck (*GSG Advisor, Director of Grad Life*)
    - Encouraged all graduate students to take a break on Fall Break!
    - Shout out to Julaine Zenk for Grad Student Appreciation Week!
- Subash
  - Committee Chairs need help
    - Dept Reps need to talk to your committee
- Mayesha Sahir Mim (*GSG Social Chair, Bioengineering*)
  - Shout out to Social Chairs who helped during Grad Student Appreciation Week
- Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.