Graduate Student Association - February 1, 2010 Meeting Minutes

1. Officer Elections coming up in April
   a. See website or talk to current officers to learn more about positions

2. Provost Castillo coming February 15th

3. Zach
   a. Research fair – almost ready to announce
      i. In the Student center
      ii. All day thing, lunch provided
      iii. Grad students turn in abstract before deadline get free poster printing
      iv. Thursday April 22nd
   v. Deadlines and guidelines are forthcoming, so please watch your email

4. Jaun
   a. Asking about Haiti...
      i. International students interested
      ii. Derek and Kurtis and committee met to discuss
      iii. Book fundraiser
   iv. Sending email out to club presidents in next couple weeks

5. Andrea
   a. Event with Juniors?
      i. Sporting event sounds good
   b. Skiing was brought up
   c. Bowling is still popular

6. Dr. Boyd
   a. Diploma fees discussion
      i. Pay graduation fees when you graduate – not research contract funded
         1. Non-thesis – 255
2. Thises – 400
3. PhD – 470

ii. Of the total, 160 is silver diploma, out of production was 300

iii. Changing vendors for silver diplomas – now 320!

iv. Other fees include
   1. Binding fees, cap/tassel...

v. Lowest fees NOW
   1. Non-thesis- 430
   2. Thesis – 570
   3. PhD – 640

vi. Build in 7-8% increase for sterling

vii. THREE other options
   1. Silver plate diplomas – 75
   2. Parchment – 25
   3. Silver plate and paper – 100

viii. Informal vote
   1. About 3 interested in full silver
   2. Majority ok with silver plate

ix. Our call

x. No rush

xi. Option of engraving something else brought up, steel-plated still cheapest “metal” alternative

7. Dept Reports
   a. None

8. Committee Reports
   a. Sustainability Council
i. Pamphlet for low waste event
ii. Aramark talking at meeting about their involvement
iii. Aramark possibly talk to BSO or ASCSM meeting
iv. All meetings are open

9. Old business
   a. No

10. New business
    a. No

11. Announcements
    a. none