Resolution Name: Approval of Funding for Graduate Participation in 2011 “Science Outside the Lab” Experience
Resolution Number: 2011.2
Resolution Date: 21 February 2011
Resolution Author: Zach Aman, GSA President

WHEREAS,
The Graduate Student Association recognizes the importance of assisting graduate students in broadening their experiential understanding of applied science and engineering in the United States; and

WHEREAS,
The “Science Outside the Lab” program is coordinated by Arizona State University’s Center for Science, Policy, and Outcomes to provide graduate students with a two-week workshop exploring “the relationship among science, policy, and societal outcomes in Washington, D.C.”; and

WHEREAS,
Participation in this program allows CSM graduate students to experience a hands-on applied science and engineering practicum outside of the classical academia versus industry context; and

WHEREAS,
It would be inappropriate for participating students to seek GSA Travel Grant funding, since “Science Outside the Lab” is neither a professional meeting nor conference; and

WHEREAS,
This initiative has not been funded by the GSA previously;

THEREFORE,
The Graduate Student Association of the Colorado School of Mines stands

RESOLVED,
TO PROVIDE FUNDING TOWARD THE 2011 “SCIENCE OUTSIDE THE LAB” EXPERIENCE, IN THE AMOUNT OF $500 PER CSM GRADUATE STUDENT UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 6 STUDENTS, WITH THE EXPECTATION THAT THE GSA RECEIVE A BRIEF, WRITTEN SUMMARY -- ADJUDICATING THE VALUE OF THE EXPERIENCE -- FROM EACH PARTICIPATING GRADUATE STUDENT.

Resolution amended from the floor to (1) provide “$200” instead of “$500” for each student and (2) count this funding as a Meeting Attendee Travel Grant (one-time exception to standard Travel Grant policy) for each graduate student. Amendment passed 7-1-1.

Resolution passed as amended 7-1-1.