G.S.O meeting minutes 03.02.10

Welcome:

- Upcoming meeting dates Monday, March 22 and Wednesday, April 14 5:30pm CAS 200
- Reminder Travel Grant deadline is June 15, 2010

Finances:

- Minus the winter reception, the amount left = \$3941
- \$700 projected to be remain after all expenses for the semester
- Some unexpected extra money remained from the travel grants, so we must determine how to best allocate that money.

Review of the Goodbye to Winter Reception:

- Achieved desired number of attendees, approximately 300 people
- The food did not run out
- Approximately \$400 surplus estimated after costs and the income from drink ticketing, but not sure yet because we are waiting for response from Buildings and Grounds.

Review of BGLO Ice Skating:

- Reminder that BUGS is the point group for dealing with BGLO
- Feb 24 ice-skating event canceled by Tufts because of bad weather.

Review of the Professional Development Series

- about 10 people (low attendance)
- people seemed to enjoy the presenters
- very interactive across departments
- overspent somewhat but saving the non-perishables for the next event
- we need leads for the upcoming event about Publishing (book reviews, books, co-authored articles, a piece in an edited volume etc, or even an editor for a journal)
- Panel is being organized for April topics will be Grants and Fellowships, been successful in job market etc.

Proposal for Co-Sponsored Event:

- Proposed by Stuart Robbins-Butcher in International Relations
- Film screening for a documentary that was filmed last summer in Kazakhstan and is about how the government is selling itself as the beacon of modernity in that region.
- Date: March 25, 5:30 8:30 pm
- Amount requested: \$225 for honorarium, media use, posters.
- GSO voted YES co-sponsored event approved

***Discussed the advantages of posting examples of good proposals online as a guide for applicants.

Activity proposals:

 Erick Rabin (Philosophy and GSO Vice President) proposed a Berry Tripping Event:

\$700 budget (\$350 for berries and \$350 for food)

Estimated attendance: 50-75

Cover Charge: \$5 for one, \$10 for two tablets Location: BU Central (bottom floor of the GSO)

Date: April 1, 2010. Time: 8-9:30pm

Pub nights cost approximately the same as this event. GSO voted YES for \$700 to be set aside for this event. Taking volunteers for helping organize the event.

Upcoming Events:

- Walk for Hunger May 2, 2010 Sponsored by Project Red (charity to raise food for the hungry)
- Possibly another pub night for the semester
- March 10, 2010 9pm-2am BGLO event as fundraiser with Partners in Health for Haiti Relief. They got sponsorships and are asking for a donation of \$5 or \$10.
- NAGPS conference on April 23, 2010 is Pittsburg. Email Marc, GSO President if interested.