

Meeting Friday 31st August 2018:

- New biweekly meeting timing for fall semester
- Bev, Prof. Morgan present; Aditi, Akriti, Kai absent
- **Discussion**
 - We have a GSO poster made, which can be re-used for Big10 Expo
 - Jessica should moderate spreadsheet for first years; since her advisor is not taking students.
 - Faculty can have preferred students; but no one is guaranteed until dept declares.
 - We usually get only Oil and Gas and Pharma reps at Symposium
 - Could work with Purdue Foundry to get contacts for reps for next Symposium
 - Second quals usually occur in Jan. Should students be allowed to reschedule if they fail first quals, if they already planned trip home in Dec? Need to bring up in grad committee
 - Different color mug for each batch
- **Individual Updates**
 - President: David Rokke
 - Going through and updating Symposium deadlines and jobs spreadsheet
 - Ishant is interested in holding a sustainable mindfulness workshop
 - There will be reception for incoming students with fellowship on Sept 11. Need two GSO officers to go
 - To go through feedback for Symposium in next meeting
 - Set up voter registration table in September in Atrium; for Indiana residents. Encourage people to vote. Jessica will help.
 - Vice President : Vinny Pizzuti
 - Have almost finished reimbursements
 - Setting up google sheet for officers to give feedback on positions
 - Working on distributing prize money for Symposium
 - Co-curricular: Aditi Khot
 - 12 posters so far for IAC
 - First Year: Jessica Torres, Mihit Parekh
 - Orientation week went well
 - A lot of first years came. Pizza and ice cream helped
 - Student panel went well
 - To send out reminder email for mentors
 - Outreach : Aidan Coffey
 - First Murdock day coming up in 2 weeks. 3 times a month
 - Working on Food Bank trip. Weekdays are better
 - Mugs are being ordered
 - PGSG: Kaustabh Sarkar
 - First PGSG meeting on Wed night

- Raised issue of PFCU unavailability for insurance
 - Grad school is organising Big 10 Expo Sept 30th
 - If GSO sends volunteers, they can give monetary benefit to GSO
 - Passed a few bills in meeting
 - Will give monthly updates from PGSG
 - Will include method to use PFCU in email send out
- Publications: Tony Mathew
 - Updated display case poster
- Social: Ayşe Eren
 - Block party happened
 - Considering book reading session
 - Considering board game day with Aditi
 - Coffee session after first years get mugs
 - Consider cooking class
- Sports: Kyle Weideman
 - Co-ed and men's soccer team are being sponsored
 - There was a double's tennis team which was first fully-formed. They will be partially reimbursed (since team size is small)
 - Aim for 3 large teams to sponsor
- Student Advocacy: Blake Finkenauer
 - Received complaint on form about PFCU payment
 - Received complaint that REM people had lab coats while in offices
 - Would like to attend grad committee meetings as GSO rep
- Bev Johnson:
 - We get 3-4 poster boards in Big10 expo.
 - Last year we had 2 people from GSO
 - Thinking about posters for general research area. And CISTAR and GSO
 - Will need a few people to help with posters
 - There are 40 projects; more than first year batch
 - Preference forms due in Oct 27th
 - Students can meet research groups after Prof has presented