

6 April 2020

Presiding: Jess

Attending: Apurva, Carly, Weilee, Kurt, Anna, Dr. Morgan, Ayse, Bev, JT, Kaustubh, Xiao, Vik, Clayton (late)

1. Jess
 - a. First web meeting during COVID-19 issues
 - b. Should try to come up with virtual events
2. Carly
 - a. FYs planning to host a remote/web-ex event
 - b. Virtual book club on Thursday
 - i. ~6 people came
3. Kurt
 - a. Those with Steam can do online board games with Tabletop Simulator
 - i. Ayse: Good idea
 - b. Has Google Sheets with online board games
 - i. Other online games without Steam available too
4. Apurva
 - a. CMU friends had a virtual happy hour
 - b. Used Zoom
 - c. Kurt: Zoom has issues with being hacked
 - i. Need to make sure it is secure and enough bandwidth
 - ii. Purdue Web-Ex has limited slots for students per host
 - iii. Morgan: Zoom hosts 80
5. Ideas
 - a. Jess
 - i. Future faculty talk via web-ex
 1. Xiao can work on getting it together
 - ii. Clayton and Jess (in GSAC)
 1. BME is hosting GSO-wide movie nights
 2. Can piggyback on this
 3. Can try to do our own
 - b. Kurt
 - i. Online trivia
 - ii. Found one source where it is \$2/person (can look to find more free ones)
 - iii. Arts-related
 1. Need help to set it up of how to organize/run it
 2. Look for online guided tutorial?
 - c. Carly
 - i. Online yoga and/or meditation stuff
 - d. Morgan
 - i. Cooking-related
 - e. Ayse
 - i. Album club can be done online

- ii. Google Art
 - iii. WikiArt
 - iv. Will work on the art event
 - f. Vik
 - i. Organize a townhall to see what grad students want/need
 - g. Kurt
 - i. Trying to do another Jeopardy-type event or other game shows
 - 1. Family Feud
 - ii. Having a seminar related to COVID
 - 1. Having a professor who is modeling, potentially
 - 2.
 - h. Carly
 - i. Online Truth and Beauty Seminars
 - ii. Big Read Book for next year
 - 1. Spinning Silver by Naomi Novik
 - 2. Author planning to speak in November
 - i. Xiao
 - i. Looking for good candidates for faculty and Truth and Beauty seminars
 - ii. Corti, Ramki, Gounder, and Morgan did it
 - 1. T&B: Giving a seminar on something not academic-related
 - iii. Mogan did it on smells
 - 1. There was a Nobel Prize for finding the receptors that effect smells
 - iv. Vik
 - 1. Will ask Dr. Narsimhan about tennis or something else related
- 6. Elections will be in May after finals
 - a. Will be done virtually
 - b. Virtual townhall
- 7. Bev
 - a. 24 acceptances so far but a lot of them are international, so they might have to defer
 - b. Deadline is still April 15 for final decisions
 - c. 7 US citizens; some internationals are already in USA
- 8. Jess
 - a. Will send out email about ideas and we can add to go forward
 - b. Currently planning on meeting next week; will get back to you
- 9. Kaustubh
 - a. Organize a PPE donation
 - b. Bev: Dr. Kim is working with local hospitals
 - c. REM is doing PPE donation
 - i. Look into work with them
- 10. Vik and Jess
 - a. Working on revamping GSO constitution