

NCSU MEAS Graduate Student Association
Meeting Minutes
10/17/2022

Present: Katy Hollinger, Craig Jensen, Nick Goldacker, Sean Melanson, Zach Chalmers, Steph Bachman, Greta Easthom, Mahdi Hasan, Shreyas Dhavale, Stephanie Sabatini, Micki Recchuti, Lillian Minnebo, Jonah Hazelwood, Kaitlyn Karaffa, Lucy Roussa, Tia Ogus, Vanadeep Kaluvagunta, Joyce Smith, Cam Siegal

Next Meeting: 12/5/2022

- Introductions
 - Define the role of the GSA:
 - Serve as liaison between faculty and students, advocate for student rights, and create a strong grad student & post-doc community
 - Share our general duties:
 - Meet with department head monthly, sit in on faculty meetings, meet with all other department graduate student associations monthly, and plan various events and activities
 - Encourage people to stay involved and come to us with any feedback/ideas
- PORKTOBERFEST (Pork and Vegan Pork)
 - This Saturday (10/22) 11am - 2pm at Pullen park pavilion #6
 - PAY FOR TICKETS - venmo Rachel or table Thursday and Friday or at door
 - RSVP by end of day today
- Bi-weekly Happy Hours and Lunch
 - Always open to a change of time and day
- Intramural Sports: Soccer and Volleyball
 - Tuesdays and Mondays at 6pm, respectively
 - Will hope to do more IM in Spring
- Faculty Meeting
 - Talk to Kelly or Brenda if have to front money for conferences (i.e., flights, hotel)
 - Meet the Faculty Night (Grad students get to know Faculty more)
- Financial Survey
 - Katy will send out this or next week to better understand how the grad students in the department are doing financially
- Open Floor
 - Diversity Tips (if anyone is passionate about any diversity tips- Email Stephanie Sabatini)
 - MEAS annual symposium (email sent out about participating, setting up, issues with last years symposium (i.e., parking at Hunt))
 - Any Open Graduate positions on Faculty positions?
 - Last time updated was last spring
 - Unclear about when positions re-open
 - Faculty committees have some graduate positions