I. Call to Order: 5:15 PM

II. Approval of Agenda
   a. Motion by Shelley
   b. Second by Mayra
   c. Motion passes unanimously

III. Approval of Minutes from: April 13th, 2015
   a. Motion by Meng
   b. Second by Mayra
   c. Motion passes unanimously

IV. Welcome New GSG Members
   a. Nineteen new GSG members were in attendance

V. New Business
   a. No new business to report.

VI. Officer Reports
   a. President (Chelsea Nikula)
      i. Board of Trustees meeting has finalized Daniel Heights $50 late fee for rent.
         1. Menon “It used to be $10 per day so is it $50 per day like it used to be?”
         2. Chelsea “No it will just be a one-time $50 fee.”
      ii. Requirements of GSG reps: Need to attend meetings once a month per in summer and you get 2 excused absences, you can have an alternate from your department fill in for you. Reps need to communicate with their respective departments however they see best (email, printout, etc). Reps must host 1 meet and greet per session in order to stay in good standing. It is required that reps participate in one of four committees: Academic, Social, Ways and Means, or Public Relations. Reps can serve as liaisons as well as a committee and work with various groups to communicate with GSG and the respective groups. USG, Research advisory, IT Governance and International Group all need liaisons for this year.
   b. Vice President (Will Lytle)
      i. Need a more active Daniel Heights Advisory Board, discuss with Will if you wish to get involved.
      ii. Health plan has been approved but rates cannot be disclosed as of yet.
      iii. Issue of capping representatives needs to be addressed, discuss
with Will if you have any input.

c. Treasurer (Meng Tang)
   i. Account balance $59,652.95
   ii. 2014-2015 Budget Standing: $74,408.31/85,333 because of unclaimed Travel Grants. Remind your departments to claim their Travel Grants by May 30th.
   iii. Travel Grants for Summer opened today (May 11th) and will be open until June 19th. 49 presenting awards ($250) and 5 attending awards ($150) can be awarded this summer semester.
      1. Eligibility for any of these grants are as follows: Full time enrollment as student, department is in good standing with GSG, conference acceptance letters included in application (attending grants do not need this). Conference must take place between May 1st 2015 – April 30th 2016. Student’s advisor must be able to verify eligibility and approve travel to the conference.
      2. Can apply for a Travel Grant each semester, however you only get one travel grant per session.
         a. Sudhir “If extra grants are available can someone get one twice?”
            i. Meng “No, if there are unawarded grants, which is very rare, the extra funds will roll over for the next year”

d. Secretary (Joe Fedie)
   i. Representatives need to email their committee preferences to Joe by Friday May 15th to get committee preference.
   ii. Committees will be assigned by Sunday May 17th.

VII. Committee Chair Reports
a. Academic (Shelley Jeltema)
   i. Has been working on organizing a poster presentation for alumni breakfast.
   ii. Lunch ‘n’ Learns: trying to start earlier in the year and topics include how to get advisors and have info available to new graduate students about important topics (advisor, classes, stress, etc).
   iii. GRC plans are starting to move forward, attempting to bring in a wider community for graduate students to present research to.

b. Social (Bethany Klemetsrud)
   i. Orientation picnic will be happening at Hancock beach after orientation August 26th, 2015. Working with Quincy Mine for mine tour and currently open for ideas on social activities for the coming year.

c. PR (Kristen Therrian)
   i. Nothing to report.

d. Jarod Maggio (Softball)
   i. Softball league is starting for the summer, the managers meeting is
happening on May 12th, anyone can attend and is at 5:30 in Admin 404. Softball Clinic for learning softball and teaching others (volunteers needed) is May 23rd, please register online and contact Jarod if you are interested volunteering. The season starts June 4th. There is a free agent list on the website if you want to play on a team that is short on players.

1. Mayra “It would be nice to have two leagues: one with newcomers and one for veterans”
   a. Jarod “Ideally we will have two leagues, but it depends on the number of teams”
   b. Menon “It generally depends on if the teams want to be competitive or non-competitive.”
   c. Jarod “Yes, this will come up in the managers meeting as well.”

2. Menon “Starting a GSG team to bring GSG members closer together, contact Menon or Chelsea if you want to play”

VIII. Liaison Reports

a. University Senate
   Beth “Need to look at minutes, will inform everyone next meeting”

b. Undergraduate Student Government

c. Food Insecurities Committee (Sasha Teymorian)
   i. Survey has come back with 25% students who have food insecurity, currently working on this issue, trying to support local food banks, etc.

d. Friends of the Van Pelt Library (Kevin Waters)
   i. Nothing to report

e. Research Advisory Council

f. IT Governance Group

g. International Group

IX. Old Business & Discussion Items

a. Meet & Greet Reports

b. Questions or Concerns from GSG Representatives
   i. Mayra “Get individual in charge of insurance to discuss current insurance with students.”
      1. Will “Insurance representatives will be here for orientation to clarify insurance, we can look into meeting with them.”
   ii. Rep- Shuttle size needs to be increased because only 14 people can
fit inside as of right now.
   1. Shelley “Do a public poll to see if individuals would be willing to pay for shuttle transport in order to help get a newer or bigger shuttle”

iii. Omkar “Graduate school needs your starting date for co-op fall in Track A or B but if it starts before it doesn’t work.”
   1. Chelsea “I will look into this.”

iv. Menon “If there is no voice for housing advisory board there will be no one who will want to take any interest in it.”

v. Sudhir “What is the international surcharge fee for the incoming students?”
   1. Chelsea “Incoming international students will pay $100 then $250 each following semester”

X. **Adjournment**
   a. Motion by Joe R.
   b. Second by Beth
   c. Motion passes unanimously