

GRASP Meeting Minutes
May 2, 2005
7 p.m.
UND Memorial Union – Alumni Room

In attendance: Sonia Marrone, Patrick Kerr, Caitlin Schultz, Lisa Bemus, Karyn Plumm, Kim Christopherson

Minutes of April 13, 2005 were approved.

BUSINESS:

Elections for 2005-2006 term:

Candidate nominations:

President: Sonia Marrone
Vice President: Patrick Kerr
Secretary: Kim Christopherson
Treasurer: Caitlin Schultz

Anonymous ballot elections were conducted and all nominees were elected to their respective positions. Thus the GRASP Executive Committee for the 2005-2006 academic year is as follows:

President: Sonia Marrone
Vice President: Patrick Kerr
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Website Update:

A concern was addressed by one of the faculty members about posting student information on the GRASP website. I was discussed and decided that only basic information would be posted on the website including students name, year, program attending, and advisor. Other information may be included but on a voluntary basis. Students who wish to have all their information removed from the site will be accommodated.

Workshops for Next Year

To begin planning for workshops for the next academic year the floor was opened to suggestions. Some of the suggested ideas for workshops included:

- ABA
- Aspergers
- Family and Couple
- ODD

- ADHD
- CBT
- Adolescents
- Conduct disorder
- SPSS
- Getting a job in academia

Patrick motioned that the members of GRASP look into setting up an SPSS workshop to plan for the 2005-2006 year. Karyn will ask Betsi what she had planned thus far when a similar workshop was being planned before.

For therapy focused workshops it was decided that a workshop focusing on Children/adolescents would be of most interest. It was decided that the planning work on these workshops be delegated to committees set up during a prior meeting.

Mentors

Copies of the first-year student evaluations on the mentor program to be sent out later this week.

A meeting to set up incoming students with a mentor will be set up in the near future. It was decided that it would be best to match students by their advisors or research interests. This will make it easier for the mentors to educate their protégé as to the labs and research interests of their advisors.

A suggestion that a “Welcome Back” continental breakfast be offered at the beginning of the year. Items such as muffins, doughnuts, coffee and juice to be provided by GRASP for all students returning or beginning the year.

SAC Funding for Students Attending Conferences

Patrick reported that SAC will help fund students who will attend national conferences. However, it is best to only offer funding for one of the national conferences that students attend. The most popular conferences that our students attend are APA, APS, and AABT. There was discussion that there are several factors (student interest, faculty needs, student membership, cost) that influence which conference most students will attend. It was decided that a vote on which conference GRAP should attempt to gain funds for be delayed until more information can be gathered, with the idea that more students should know which conferences they will attend around the October timeframe.

Meeting was adjourned.