GSO Liaison Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2009

Attending: Lisa Walker, Robyn Smidley, Beth Miguel Alipio, Janet McDaniel, Rachel Pulver, John Snyder, Sandra Maddox

Continuing Business

Budget Report

Expenses:
$108.49 – Lisa Walker, pancake breakfast
$29.40 – Recognition Express, GSO officer nametags

Current Balance: $1,013.41

Pancake Breakfast

Lisa talked about a complaint that was made regarding staff staying too long without supervisor’s permission. For future events we will be sure to be a disclaimer on any announcements/flyers that employees are to have supervisor’s permission if they are attending during their normal working hours.

Everyone seemed to have a good time. Lisa thanked everyone for their work and donations. We had a good turnout and the Vice Chancellors’ panel was a success.

Poinsettia Sales

Lisa sent out a flyer regarding the poinsettias. The nursery is Bell R Greenhouse and we can sell them for $11/each or $10/each if buying 2 or more. The last time the GSO sold plants they made $400-$500. Suggested colors are red, white, burgundy and maybe have a 4th color.

We still have time if we want to do this but we need someone to chair the project. Janet McDaniel said she would be the chair. She’ll send out an e-mail to the campus to generate interest. Janet will also find out if the plants can be delivered to North Creek and then we can use them for our holiday decorations. Robyn suggested that the GSO have a mailbox set up so people can send e-mails to that box instead of someone’s personal inbox.

Action Item: John Snyder will talk with IT and get one set up. Lisa Walker, Elizabeth Fischtziur and Robyn Smidley should be the owners so they can add/remove people when necessary.

Holiday Party

The annual holiday party is Wednesday, December 9th (this is a date correction from the meeting). We cannot get in the day before so we will need to set up and decorate the morning of the event. The schedule will be as follows:

10-11:30am – decorate
12-2:00pm – party
2-3pm – clean up

Action Item: Robyn will send out an e-mail to the campus announcing the date and letting the departments know what they need to bring.
It was suggested maybe Bothell High School’s Jazz Choir could come and sing for us, possibly 20-30 minutes. If they are not available, it was suggested Woodinville and the other local high schools be contacted to see if one of them might be interested.

**Action Item:** Beth will contact the area high schools.

**Action Item:** Robyn will work with Taraneh and IT for podium, stage and music equipment set up.

**Fleeces**

Sarah Greeley is checking on these and will report at the next meeting.

**New Business**

**Spring Retreat**

Lisa talked about the GSO hosting a spring retreat. We could have 2-½ day sessions, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. She asked for ideas about topics.

Sandra Maddox had a great idea that everyone liked: coping with staff turnovers – the retiring baby boomers and those left behind.

There was a lot of discussion and excitement about this topic. Our baby boomers are retiring and taking with them a lifetime of knowledge so how do we tap into that knowledge and resources? How do we share that for those who are just starting out or those who maybe don’t do that particular job but need the information?

We will pursue this for the spring.

**Additional Business/Announcements**

Since there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.