Graduate Representation Committee Minutes

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Attendees

☐ Simon Bortz ☐ Kyle Maddox
☐ Thomas Coleman ☐ Stephen Quinn
☐ Melissa Emory ☐ Dr. Stephen Montgomery-Smith

Minutes

- Meeting opened with a discussion on Graduate Recruiting Weekend, volunteers were asked for to assist.

- Moved onto a discussion of summer teaching assignments and the way they are assigned, discussion tabled until next week when Dr. Carmen Chicone can attend. Discontent was expressed with last year’s method (how all first years seemed to be given assignments unfairly), mentioned that it should be potentially based on academic progress and teaching evaluation scores among other factors.

- A discussion of other courses and assignments to professors followed, including a discussion of when certain courses would be ran and by whom, including difficulty with a lack of regularity in course material and syllabi.

- The meeting moved on to discuss an email from the Graduate Professional Council about a change to representation policy during their meetings and how their funding would be less available to those who did not attend. Since the last few meetings have had no representative from the Mathematics department, we discussed sending a representative to the meeting on 03/03/15.

- The way the Miller Grant funds were assigned was also mentioned for summer research opportunities.

- Meeting scheduled for next Monday (03/09/15) to discuss teaching assignments further when Dr. Carmen Chicone can attend.
• Finally it was brought up that office assignments should not by default be based on gender and instead on areas of interest and academic programs.