

**GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION OF RUTGERS UNIVERSITY GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR
DECEMBER 12TH, 2004**

***PURPOSE OF MEETING:** This is the fourth general meeting for the 2004-2005 academic year. The principal purpose was to provide updates from various committees and to distribute and explain funding recommendations*

DATE: Sunday, December 12, 2004

TIME: 7pm to 9pm

VENUE: Graduate Lounge, College Avenue Campus, Rutgers University

FACILITATORS: Kristen Gilmore (GSA President), Kristen Ross (GSA Vice-president), Karen Mabb (GSA Treasurer) & Grant Law (GSA Secretary)

Topic	Discussion	Action	Person Responsible
1. Determination of quorum and call to order	Done		
2. Approval of agenda	Done		
3. New Business A) New group recognized New groups introduced B) Information Technology Strategic Planning Committee C) ACIC (Committee for Instructional Computing)	1 new group wishing to be recognized: Women's & Gender Studies Group 2 new groups to be introduced: BESS, Trans-Atlantic 18 th Century A strategic plan for university computing services is in the works. We need a graduate student representative involved. We also need a graduate student rep for this group, which will be spending money on computing equipment for the university	A vote for the acceptance of this organization was moved for and seconded. The vote was positive to recognize the new group. If interested contact Kristen Gilmore – if not interested, tell your friends, maybe they are. Again, contact Kristen Gilmore if you are interested	
4. Reports a. Executive	The meeting with Dean Cizewski will be rescheduled to February. There was an extensive discussion on graduate housing issues, including: Holly Smith's letter to Dr. Blimling The upcoming meeting with Dr. Blimling		

Rockoff Hall
College Town

The Rutgers Graduate Housing Tenants Association will be applying for recognition in the GSA this February

Devco's President Chris Palladino has proposed hiring a graduate student to research graduate housing needs. This information could be used to design future housing developments

For the future . . .

- Protests
- Newsletters
- Meetings with administrators
- Determine whether or not to support Devco's proposal.

A total of \$15,313 has been distributed to GSO's as of December 1st.

Social/Cultural: Come to the Spaghetti dinner cabaret theater.
External allocations: The deadline for Spring funding applications is January 7th.

TA/GA Steering Committee: This committee has been focusing on housing issues. Asks any students having problems with visa applications to contact the committee.

Sustainability Committee: Steve Stromm will be giving a lecture/workshop on photovoltaic cells on February 18th.

Julie Evanoff will be updating the website.

Publication office

Don't forget to register for the listserv to receive GSA announcements.

CONCLUSION: The minutes of this meeting will be reviewed by the GSA administration, then distributed to GSA members at the next General council meeting.