Call to Order - At 12:00pm, Kara Dillard called the meeting to order
Groups Present: 20
Groups Absent: 11

1. Approval of previous two agendas – A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously

2. Approval of previous two months’ minutes - A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously

3. The changes to the GSC travel grant probation policy were passed unanimously after no discussion. The language of the change was:

   **GSC Travel Grant Probation Policy:**

   To more efficiently distribute GSC travel grant funds, the GSC allocations committee will be enforcing the GSC travel grant probation policy based on the following guidelines:

   Any student not meeting the deadline for submitting travel receipts within two weeks of the end of their travel supported by a GSC travel grant will be placed on probation for three subsequent GSC travel grant periods. The awardee will not be eligible for GSC travel grant awards during their probation period which will begin immediately following the current award period.

   **For example, if an awardee fails to submit receipts for Fall 2009 travel, he or she will be ineligible to apply for a GSC travel grant until the following Winter 2010 GSC travel grant period.** Any GSC travel grant previously awarded for the current academic year will immediately be revoked.

   **For example, if a student has GSC travel grant awards for Fall 2009 and Winter 2009 travel, but fails to submit receipts for the fall period, that student will have their winter GSC Travel grant revoked and will be ineligible for the three proceeding GSC travel grant periods from the Fall 2009 period.**

   Extensions may be given for awardees who cannot meet the receipts submission deadline by notifying the GSC allocations committee (email: egsc@ksu.edu). Such extensions must be requested before the respective two week deadline after GSC supported travel. An extension may be requested by a written description of the need for a 5 working-day extension and a plan of completion of travel receipt submission within the 5 working-day extension. If an awardee voluntarily forfeits a GSC travel grant award (e.g., the awardee is unable to, or chooses not to travel for the awarded travel period), he or she must notify the GSC allocations committee before the applicant’s respective two week submission deadline. If the awardee does not notify the GSC allocations committee by this deadline, he or she will become ineligible to receive a GSC travel grant for the three subsequent travel periods.

   Reminders will be issued to GSC travel grant awardees via email at the beginning of each month during the GSC travel grant period. Awardees have two weeks after the end of their respective travel period to submit appropriate receipts to the OSAS office. If the awardee does not submit his or her receipts within two weeks, the GSC travel grant is forfeited and reallocated to students on the waiting list (divided between all at end of travel period or first come first served).

Policy approved by the Graduate Student Council on November 2, 2009
All applicants must agree to the following before having their online application considered by the GSC allocations committee:

"I have read the GSC travel grant rules and requirements, noting the two-week receipts submission (to the OSAS office) policy. If I do not submit my receipts within two weeks of my return and have not received an extension, I will be placed on GSC travel grant probation and ineligible for the subsequent three GSC travel grant periods."

4. Dillard asked for suggestions for the next day’s meeting with President Schulz. None were voiced.

5. Dillard asked for concerns and corrections for the Principles of Community statement. Kevin Lease pointed out a misspelling.

6. **Open Discussion/Group Reports** – Dillard asked how the meetings could be more effective and said that she is interested in getting more students to get involved. Someone suggested recording the meetings to watch later. A concern was also raised about accessing the GSC website to get the previous minutes. Secretary Rhett Mohler reminded the group that the minutes are available both on the website and on the KSOL page. Advisor Carol Shanklin suggested promoting the locations better through emails. Another suggestion was made to have an online suggestion board on which students could let GSC know their concerns.

7. **Officer Reports** - President Dillard noted that there are 22 graduate students serving on boards and committees, etc. She also noted that the advisory board to President Dalton Henry is official, though it is not functioning quite yet. She also noted that the graduate students from other Kansas programs will talk to the Board of Regents about the importance of graduate education. Finally, Dillard stated that she has been talking with other Big 12 graduate student leaders. President-elect Megan Miller stated that she has posted new material about fellowships and grants on KSOL. Treasurer Steven Bellinger noted that the following account balances did not reflect the money from President Schulz:

- **SGA FY10 Travel Grant Funds**
  - Spent $3520
  - Allocated $10,200
  - Available $7,650.34

- **SGA FY10 Operating Funds**
  - Spent $277.91
  - Allocated $0
  - Available $1,722.09

- **KSU Foundation Funds** $ 676.09

A motion to approve the report was made, seconded, and passed unanimously. Secretary Mohler had no report.
Advisor Reports –
Shanklin reported that she needs 1-2 volunteers for commencement. She also reminded the students to pay attention to graduate dates and deadlines, as well as opportunities for fellowships.

Graduate Student Senator Reports –
Senator George Weston reported that the Union asked for more money from privilege fees or student jobs would suffer. He asked for opinions on the matter. And received no feedback. Dillard noted the resignation of Senator John Richards and said that a replacement was needed.

Committee Reports –
Bellinger, chair of the Allocations Committee, said that the updated travel grant application form would be available online today
Nicole Rud noted that the survey for uncovering the concerns of graduate students on campus was being completed
Megan Strain, chair of the Ice Cream Social Committee, had not report
Kara Ross, chair of the Professional Development Committee, asked that the students present complete the survey if they have not done so already. Bellinger asked how the results would be disseminated, and Ross volunteered to present them at the next meeting. Bellinger congratulated Ross and Lease on a job well done and a round of applause was given by the group.
Miller, chair of the KRF Committee, noted that submissions reached 150, which is more than the previous year (78). She also noted that the abstracts were being reviewed, and that in early January the participants would know if they had a paper or a poster.

GSC University Rep. Reports –
The Union Governing Board representatives had no report
The International Graduate Student Affairs Committee had no report

Announcements – Kara announced the items posted on the agenda and adjourned the meeting