**HGSA Meeting 09 / 2023**

**General notes:** short meeting. Additional meeting will be held one week from today to vote on adjusted bylaws and install new representative roles.

**President Notes:**
- Calendar for department and GPSA events is now posted on the HGSA board. If you have additional events that don’t appear on this, please write these up with a post-it note. This is the main center for information in the office. Any events added to this will then be added to our digital calendar.
- Social events are upcoming. A vote will be held at the conclusion of meeting today to decide which event will be funded first.

**Representative Updates:**

**PhD Rep** – Absent  
- No updates.

**MA Rep** – Present  
- First year MA students should now be choosing their thesis topics.
- Students should be selecting their committees.

**Grad Studies Rep** – Absent  
- Graduate Studies Committee not currently meeting. Work for graduate program recompositing being done in faculty meetings.
- Need to discuss continuation of Graduate Studies Role.

**Faculty Rep** – Present  
- College of arts and colleges will be running at a financial deficit.
  - Enrollment caps from 40 to 30 so that faculty can spend more time with students.
- Discussion about reforming the history graduate studies department.
  - Faculty members have been reviewing the graduate program.
  - Discussion among history faculty: what do they want students to gain from their degree.
  - Hatter meeting with the HGSA. Receiving feedback.
    - Schroeder will reach out to Dr. Hatter to organize a time for Dr. Hatter to come speak actively to HGSA about what we are looking for in our graduate degrees.
  - 70% of humanities undergraduates are majoring in education.
  - We are opening to hiring a new role.
    - Looking for a 2/2 teaching load and liason with department of education despite being primarily grounded in the history department.
    - History department ensuring they have faculty to service students going into education.
  - **James Schroeder as a non-voting member of the search committee.**
    - Representing HGSA interests.