AGENDA

New Business:
1. June & July Finance and Expenditures Reports
   - Low spending in June and July
   - Some block funding as well as Housing/Activities and Student Life spending
   - Two $200 professional development support funds
   - July – IGMP & Writers Society, Fast-Track Funding Request ($200, Writer’s Society)
   - 70% Executive funding used, 43% block funding used
   - 66% of other funding used
   - In comparison to other years, under budget
   - June and July budget approved to be posted on the website

Graduate Student Council new group approval
- Dartmouth Schooners – rowing club
  - Dartmouth rowing currently limited to undergraduates, so graduate students have to join Upper Valley rowing foundation with expensive membership dues
  - “Funnel” program for Upper Valley rowing foundation
    - They have organizational capacity, equipment, coaching staff, and established
    - Want to “contribute” graduate students to community
    - Reduced costs to Upper Valley rowing foundation (defray costs of membership)
    - Reduced or free cost to learn how to row
    - Competition facilitated by reducing cost to regattas, transportations, etc.
  - Accessibility to rowing
    - Faculty advisor submitted on WordPress
    - Approved! Welcome new club

2. Recap meetings with C3I
   - Power dynamics training created with Dick’s house through GSC, but we don’t want to replicate their work
   - Working with Theodosia Cook to try to reach all faculty that have interaction with graduate students
   - First meeting: What is the purpose of this mentorship program?
   - Second meeting: State-of-the-Art
     - What do they look like, what works, what’ available on the web, etc.
       - “Toolkits”, packets with guidance
       - Companies that are built to train graduate student mentors (SIMER (sp?))
         - Train Council on Graduate Studies (train 32 people at
3. Changes in orientation
   - New structure!
   - Feelings like there is no consolidated place, don’t know about resources
   - Q&A Panels (1.5 hour)
     o Introduction – Share fundamentals of what they do
     o Guarini Graduate Office
     o Academic
       ▪ DCAL, RWIT, Academic Chair, Betsy Tremmel
     o Emotional Health & Wellbeing
       ▪ Counseling, Tucker, Eva, Grad Office, Title IX
     o Community and Culture
       ▪ Intramurals (sailing & skiing), Hop and Hood, dining, etc.
     o Students can submit questions (anonymously) and can ask verbally as well
     o Activities fair usually after, clubs will do 35 second pitch/jingle to entice students to check out their booth at the activity booth
   - Google Doc will be shared where questions are so people can thrown in
   - Eva making a packet of resources
   - September 13th, 12:30 PM – 2:30 in LSC

4. Students Needs and Assistance Program (SNAP, Geisel)
   - How can GSC provide more peer support?
   - In Geisel, two reps/year as “SNAP” reps that can address student questions and concerns, from the trivial to the more severe
     o Not therapeutic, but a resource referral – if you are intimidated about reaching out to someone, this individual could do it?
       ▪ Or, “If I went to GRAD Office, what would they do?”
       ▪ If they’re concerned about talking to someone in their apartment,
     - Reps received guidance from Geisel
     - Have a faculty advisor that refers to professional if very serious
     - Started 20 year ago, embedded in culture as a school
     - How would this look for Guarini?
       o SNAP reps in Geisel know that they are committing for four years
       o Could be Student Life Committee?
     - “Safe” reporter for Title IX issues, and mandatory reporters
       o Mostly confidential, more extreme relayed
     - Quarterly discussions
     - How many people are utilizing it?
       o Most SNAP reps (two SNAP for 100 students)
         ▪ Most have an issue a week (1-3 time weekly correspondance)
         ▪ Rare to get heavy back-to-back issues, happen around beginning of year, finals, big events (like Take Back the Night)
           ▪ More support offered to grad reps in that time
           ▪ Can go to any one (can go to different classes if you want)
     - Additional safety net for graduate students
     - Many people go when concerned about friends

5. Budget committee
   - Four people for budget committee
   - Time commitment: “Not large”
Old Business Updates:
1. Approve old minutes
   - Approved

Announcements:
1. BBQ at August 9th at Storrs Pond
   - Family friendly event – canoeing, kayaking, paddle boarding
   - No alcohol will be provided
   - Taking volunteers to help out serve food
2. Haven Dinner Friday August 23rd
   - Done every month, dartgo.org/havendineer
   - One vegetarian and one meat based
3. Student Activities Fair: September 13th, 2:30 - 4 pm
   - Goal: First years see all tables and clubs can entice people to sign up on emailing list
   - Resources will also be at activities fair (counseling center, Tucker center, Hood, etc.)