

Plant Biology Graduate Student Organization Meetings Fall 2018

Plant Biology GSO meeting 10/17/2018

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Attending: Teresa, Alan, Michael, Sarah, Nolan, Adam, Joelyn, Alex (Guest), Emily Scott, Brian (New members welcome!)

Meetings: Always the 3rd **Wednesday** of every month **10:00AM-11:00AM** in the graduate student lounge **PLB 240**. Graduate Students can get a key from Jan in rm 138. Snacks available here, come and eat them!

Alex has come as our guest and will talk about graduate student needs. Graduate student within integrated biology, Leadership Development Fellow. Here to optimize graduate student success.

What does graduate student success look like?

- Completion rates (only includes PhD graduates in less than 8 years).
- How long it takes to graduate
- Are student's successful in their lives after graduating.

How should we help graduate students be successful?

- PI should help graduate students after they graduate and keep track of them.
- Make them feel like they belong to more of a community.
- Make social activities: Happy hour, WAWC.
- Have mentors throughout graduate experiences.

Input on the PLB 801/PLB 804 introduction class. What is student input on these introduction classes? Suppose to provide an environment for first years to get to know one another.

Michael and Bruce are still working on the T-shirts. They are coming along nicely and they will send them out for a vote on color soon. Will here more about T-shirts on Friday.

Chili cookoff coming soon!!! Sign up please, we need volunteers! Links below. If you would like to make a chili and be entered to win magnificent prizes, please fill out the following form:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScDb6fz8J2PamJXe7re53bWkvVGbobyZILKBl2s7odE6OIN8w/viewform?usp=sf link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScDb6fz8J2PamJXe7re53bWkvVGbobyZILKBl2s7odE6OIN8w/viewform?usp=sf_link)

ASAP. This is so we can order you a t-shirt of the proper size. You may sign up later, but you are not guaranteed to get an appropriately-sized t-shirt. More information for chili chefs is provided on the form.

We also need volunteers to help set up, hang flyers, and especially label cups! Please consider signing up to volunteer on this. <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/120lh3NXD7KGqN0dACPtIJoXDChVPixPTut2QDwypfcw/edit?usp=sharing>

Update from Brian **Student Advisory Committee** if you have something that you want PLB to know tell Brian. (see all contacts under officer tab) SAC is considering doing a 5 year bachelor/master degree.

The post office on campus is closing soon. This is a concern for many people on campus who use this often and can't go to an office outside of MSU. If you do not like this, please let any organizations that you are part of that you disagree with this decision.

Department Advisory Council (DAC): Adam Seroka: If you have an issue with the Plant Department you can also talk to Adam. DAC is talking about long term planning. Want to help define what PLB is. Want PLB to become more integrated and diverse. At least meeting talked about having post docs more involved.

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Plant Biology GSO meeting 9/19/2018

Attending: Teresa, Michael, Bruce, Eleanore, Rebecca, Alan, Jeremy, Isaac, Sarah, Nolan, Scott, Joelyn, Jason (New members welcome!)

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Financial review members should have access to the financial records. Though they will not be able to edit. Will be sent the link to the drive.

If anyone wants to reimbursed for something they buy for GSO they need to bring an itemized receipt to Joelyn.

Plant bio tailgate is coming up **September 29th, 12:00** In **PLB parking lot**. Breakfast Pseudo potluck. Bring your own alcohol and any foods you would like to add. Pancakes and some breakfast meat will be provided.

T-shirt **STILL NEED A T-SHIRT DESIGN** for GSO. Please submit T-shirt designs to Michael will send out an email about design for the branches of the tree.

Also need a T-shirt design for the cooks of the chili cook off.

Camping trip weekend of October 5th 1 night Saturday night, around KBS 1 or 1 ½ hr away.

Join GEU! It's a bargaining year.

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Plant Biology GSO meeting 8/29/2018

Attending: Teresa, Michael, Bruce, Eleanore, Adam, Rebecca, Brian, Alan, Jeremy, Isaac, Shawna, Judy, Sarah, Nolan (New members welcome!)

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Purpose of Meeting: Go over positions within GSO. Nominate and vote, give an overview of what GSO is all about.

Facebook Page "MSU plant science grad student social group" Is present but requires that you are granted access. Contact Teresa if you are interested in joining.

WAWC: Wednesday After Work Club. Informal gathering to talk about science. Someone nominates a speaker, they show two slides, and they introduce a topic. Could be anything from mental health to digital evolution. Help needed: small things like making popcorn, cleaning up, and helping the speaker set up. Contact Shawna if you are interested in this.

Board Game Night: Flyers should be in the hall. 1st Wednesday every month 7:00 MPS atrium.

Prepare for upcoming events: Chili cookoff. Tentative date: **November 2nd**. Every Fall. Christina is a good person to ask questions in the club. More details to be determined.

There are seminars Friday. More details to come. Trying to integrate the different fields of biology.

T-Shirt Design Needed: Calling all creative people! Please send any ideas that you have for a new T-shirt design to Michael Foisy. This will be the T-shirt that all of the GSO members wear and sell to the public to fund us.

Officers:

- President - Teresa Clark (Fall 2018 only) and Christina Azodi (Spring 2019 only)
- Treasurer - Joelyn de Lima
- Secretary/Webmaster - Sarah Lee
- Social Committee - Christopher Warneke, Danielle Young, Alan Yocca

Representatives:

- SAC Representative - Brian St. Aubin
- CDC Representative - Jason Olsen
- GEU Representative - Alan Yocca
- DAC Representative - Adam Seroka
- PLB Graduate Committee Representatives - Jeremy Pardo, Emily Jennings
- PLB Seminar Committee Representative -- Scott Warner

Other Positions:

- Outreach Committee - Alan Yocca, Rebecca Shay
- T-shirt Coordinator - Michael Foisy
- SLS Committee - Isaac Osei-Bonsu, Eleanore Ritter
- Grad Lounge Soda & GSO Meeting Snacks Coordinator - Bruce Martin