

GSC 2020 | General Body Meeting

February 23, 2021

Discussed items:

- Sarah has discussed the ongoing work on BESE council. In summary, there are several issues in communication and creating the BESE council. Immediate actions by Sarah and Zainab will be done to create and finalize the BESE council committee list and charter
- Sarah mentioned and confirmed that the CEMSE Council is in good standing.
- GSC members discussed with Sarah about the Tutoring proposal forum and TA issues.
 Suggested ideas from the teams were :
 - Having and proposing certain certificates for both TA and Tutoring programs (Independently).
 - These certificates will help the PhD or Master student in their future career especially if they are pursuing academia.
 - These certificates will encourage students to participate in future tutoring volunteering programs such as SRSI since they are not paid for these positions.
 - A program where students, who are knowledgeable in a certain area, can lead workshops offered to other students was proposed. The team decided to postpone this idea until the certification idea for TAs and tutors can be finalized.
- Ahmed mentioned that he had to follow up with Tod and the graduate operation office in relation with the issue of payment deductions. This issue has been raised to solve since the students with a supposed family are facing a heavy financial stress with health insurance and housing. Ammar decided to follow up with the issue.
- Ammar discussed with the GSC team about the next GSC election committee. The team
 has decided as a starting plan to run the next GSC elections by March and have the final
 results by the end of March. The list of candidates for the elections committee will be
 discussed in the next GSC meeting March 9th, 2021.

Action Items:

Action Item	Assigned to	Due Date
Follow up with Todd/Graduate Operation on the issue of	Ammar	3/9/2021
students' family stipend deductions.		
BESE Council - Finishing the list of suggested members	Sarah & Zainab	3/2/2021
BESE Council - Finalize the charter	Sarah & Zainab	3/9/2021
Establishment of GSC Election Committee	Ammar	3/9/2021
Uploading GSC minutes and agendas	Secretary	Ongoing
GSC weekly posts	Mawadah	Ongoing