Discussion Topics:

Attendance (If you joined later into the meeting and don't see your name below, let me know!):

 Darwin Kwok, Michel Cole, Monique Lillis, Megan McCune, Dianne Laboy Cintron, Dyana Kenanova

Approval of last meeting's minutes:

Board has approved of last meeting's minutes.

RCO requests

RCO requested by the Graduate and Postdoc Queer Alliance representative Robbie Díaz. Robbie was not present at the meeting, but Mitchel informed us that he will be able to submit a RCO request via the Campus Groups form.

2022 GPSA Last Lecture

GPSA is planning the 2022 Last Lecture and would like faculty nominations from student leadership. As stated on the GPSA's official page: The Last Lecture features a UCSF faculty member nominated and selected by students to answer one question: "If you had but one lecture to give, what would you say?"

Such a lecture series is prominent on many college campuses, made especially famous by Randy Pausch, a Carnegie Mellon professor whose lecture ironically was his last lecture having just been diagnosed with terminal pancreatic cancer. In Spring 2012, the inaugural UCSF Last Lecture received a warm and welcoming response. This year the student-initiated event will continue to build the tradition. This lecture will bring out stories intertwining various dimensions of the chosen faculty member's trajectory - encompassing the professional, personal, spiritual, and cultural experiences that have brought them to where they are today.

Recruitment of board members for vacant positions:

New members of the ASGD board has been approved.

- Arthur Tran Vice President
- Maria Olaru Public Affairs Chair
- David Asakitogum Representative of Nursing Division
- Miguel Guardado Representative of BMI Division

Graduate Division Updates

- Dr. Nicquet Blake has started as the Dean of the Graduate Division and Dean Liz Silva will continue her role as Associate Dean
- Grad Slam: will remain in person for 2022 but number of guests will be limited
- Mental Health Prevention and Wellness: UCSF has received app. \$600,000 per year state funding for student mental health prevention and wellness, but the funds cannot be used towards new psychologists. Interim Dean Silva will be looking into plan for how funds will be used once it is finalized.

- Monique has more details from her meetings with Student Health and Wellness (please correct me if I didn't jot down everything):
 - No specific programming in place yet
 - From the received spending (the available funding moving forward) they would like to dedicate it towards prevention and group exercises (community circles, events, group therapy events) as a way to proactively encourage/invite people to student health
 - Increase programming for different groups (expanding diversity)
 - Areas in the healthcare plan that people want to change
 - If you seek out a therapist outside of the network, you don't have a copay
 - Changes in insurance cost
 - Reps gauge the area that is frequently used by students to see what the costs are in those areas

Funding for Outstanding Faculty Award

We will begin organizing this award early next year. Think of outstanding faculty that you have worked with (can include your own PI(s)) to be nominated. These faculty will be awarded and also speak at graduation. This will be discussed further in the next meeting as Erik Rotman has provided more information on it.

Surplus Funds

Mitchel reported that due to COVID, we have surplus funds (since ASGD meetings are typically inperson with food catered). He encourages us to think of ideas or events that we could run.

Diversity Center Update

Dianne reported that there is a new candidate for the Diversity Programs and Events coordinator.

Meeting Adjourned