

## **AEGS minutes from October 30, 2007**

### **Members in Attendance:**

Steven Hackbarth, Mark Zunac, Shaunna Wilkinson, Colleen Fenno, Kelsey Squire, Daniel Burke, Buddy Storm, John Malloy, Eric Dunnum, Leah Stegman, Sarah Nestor  
Absent: Maggie McKinley

### **I. New Business**

- AEGS congratulates Vida Muse, who passed her DQE in October.
- AEGS November meeting will take place at 8:00 am on Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> in the ASF. This will be the last meeting of the semester.
- The Board voted to hold a graduate student social hour Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:30 p.m.
- The Board discussed travel reimbursement available to graduate students who wish to attend conferences. The Graduate School is aware of the funding needs of graduate students and is considering different options.
- The Board discussed organizing “brown-bag” lunchtime research presentations. These presentations would allow faculty to present their research and writings to encourage faculty-graduate interaction.

### **II. Officer/Liaison Reports**

#### **A. Mark Zunac, Vice President**

1. Updated AEGS on the sale of books from Dr. Machan. A bookseller reviewed the books on Friday, November 2.
2. Reported that the GSO has a new insurance plan in place for the spring and that information can be found online.

#### **B. Sarah Nestor, Secretary**

#### **C. Buddy Storm, Treasurer**

1. Discussed designing a T-shirt that would appeal to graduate and undergraduate students to sell as a fundraiser. AEGS is currently accepting design ideas that the Board will vote on at the next meeting.
2. Treasury balances: \$135.50 Petty Cash, \$2412.11 Conference Funds

#### **D. Kelsey Squire, Liaison to Graduate Students Committee**

1. Reported on GSC meeting held on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Faculty members in attendance at the meeting: Amy Blair, John Curran, Al Rivero, Angela Sorby and Cliff Spargo. The GSC discussed the Yardley Report, an evaluation of Marquette’s doctoral programs, travel grants for graduate students, graduate students teaching literature courses and assigned subcommittees for fellowship applications (fall) and M.A./Ph.D. applications (spring).

**E. Eric Dunnum, Liaison to FYE**

1. Discussed VOICE presentations incorporated into FYE classrooms and surveying instructors to find out how it worked in their classrooms. In addition, Eric discussed the possibility of incorporating information about VOICE into TAO.

**F. John Malloy, Liaison to Faculty**

**G. Colleen Fenno, Liaison to Preparing Future Faculty**

**H. Daniel Burke, Liaison to Ph.D. Students**

1. Discussed presenting Cooperative Teaching initiative to GSC.

**I. Leah Stegman, Liaison to 2<sup>nd</sup> Year M.A. Students**

1. Update on M.A. study groups

**J. Shaunna Wilkinson, Liaison to 1<sup>st</sup> Year M.A. Students**

1. Discussed starting M.A. study groups in the spring.