**EGU Meeting Agenda**

February 4th, 2022

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

**Meeting Link:**

[**https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86012828356?pwd=T09tR0RTdXNuK3ZPUnBOSVlGNUVqQT09**](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86012828356?pwd=T09tR0RTdXNuK3ZPUnBOSVlGNUVqQT09)

**Password:** 3NgGR@2202

| **Officers Present:** | Alyx, Claire, Jazzie, Hannah I., Kelli, Nina, Janelle, Mucktadir, Martin, Eric |
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| **Visitors Present:** | Matt, Leah, Josie, Don (Captioner) |

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* Exist in the space in whatever ways are most comfortable to you
* Please state your name when speaking to assist the captioner (e.g., “Alyx is speaking”)
* Allow others to fully finish their thoughts before beginning to speak

**Co-Chair Reports (Alyx & Martin):**

1. Alyx
   1. I’ll be meeting with Aurelie next Monday (2/7); please list any questions or concerns you have for her below
      1. Questions/Concerns for Aurelie Meeting
         1. ~~Lack of scheduled RCTE courses~~
         2. Budget concerns: do we have concerns about where the money goes and the cuts are made?
   2. I’ll be attending the Council Meeting Friday, Feb. 18th (before EGU); please list any questions or concerns you have for her below
      1. Questions/Concerns for Council Meeting
   3. LIT Students:
      1. I’ve been informed that Dr. Mason is “not as present” this semester; Aurelie and admin are working hard to ensure LIT students stay on track to completing their respective programs
         1. If you have any admin concerns (e.g., about forms not being signed in a timely manner, questions about degree requirements), please email me ([mnelsonturner@email.arizona.edu](mailto:mnelsonturner@email.arizona.edu)); please tell other grad students you know to contact me with questions/concerns as well
         2. The purpose of this is to compile data about current issues LIT students are facing due to Mason’s absence; we’ll work with Stephanie Mao and Aurelie about who can address what issues
      2. I’ve also been informed that LIT faculty are currently not meeting
2. Martin
   1. Meeting with Dev on 2/17, can provide an update from the Director of the WP next meeting. Also, please let me know if you have any questions you would like me to ask or concerns to bring up!
   2. Also, also, I am still on the OWI Search Committee, so if you have any questions about that I would be happy to answer them. I am looking for feedback on what we are all looking for in a new Assistant Director of WP.

**Rep Reports**

* Secretary (Jazzie):
  + No new updates :)
* EDI (Claire & Caleb):
  + AIME is still trying to set up a day to meet.
  + Any more updates on sick leave for COVID positive instructors?
    - From the WP meeting 1/28:
      * Guidelines & Tips: COVID protocol implementation
        + [COVID-19 Workplace Positive Case Notification Protocol and Related Personnel Actions | Human Resources](https://hr.arizona.edu/content/covid-19-positive-case-notification-protocol)
        + [Human Resources COVID-19 Guidance](https://hr.arizona.edu/coronavirus-information)
      * Dev also mentioned an Emergency Alternate Instructor system where people can volunteer, but only Career-Track Faculty seem eligible to do so.
* WPC
  + Assessment (Anuj):
    - Assessment done last semester is now complete. Results were presented by the assessment committee in the last WP meeting. Next round of assessment is yet to begin. We are still in the planning phase. If you have any questions please let me know. I have had a medical emergency and recently got discharged from the hospital, which is why I might not be able to attend the meeting synchronously but I will follow the proceedings asynchronously and respond to any questions I am tagged in.   
      Thank you :)
  + Awards (Thir):
  + Curriculum & Instructional Materials (Sean):
  + Difference & Inequality (Janelle):
    - No new updates; next meeting will be 2/08
  + Syllabus Task Force (Nina):
    - Military Affiliated CLC is proposing language for addition to the syllabus template
    - We are preparing to survey instructors about the new syllabus and attendance policy
* CW (Dure):
* EAL (Eric): N/A
* LIT (Mary):
  + Nothing from me
* RCTE (Martin):
  + Talked to Aurelie about the course problem, she plans on bringing it up during the next PD meeting. Unfortunately, the next couple of RCTE meetings I am not allowed to attend due to talks of admissions and portfolios.
* SLAT (Amable & Nina):
  + SLAT Roundtable is happening RIGHT NOW! Register here: <https://sites.google.com/email.arizona.edu/21st-slat-irt-2022/home>
* Lit Grad Curriculum (Mary):
* Undergrad Curriculum (Hannah I.):
  + First meeting is on 16 Feb. Let me know if there’s anything you’re concerned about or would like to know more about re: upcoming changes to majors, gen-ed refresh, etc.
* GPSC (Kelli):
  + Money: Apparently we discovered 40,000 that was supposed to be spent on furniture in 2019. It was never spent. We are brainstorming ideas for spending this. Ideas include
    - Donating to CAPS and food pantry
    - Creating a vision and dental fund
    - We are currently sponsoring two tables (20 seats) for the [Campus Pantry Benefit Dinner](https://uaatwork.arizona.edu/uannounce/2022-benefit-dinner-registration-open) to raise money for the Campus Pantry. We need a list of our constituents who would like to attend and eat dinner for **free** (semi-formal to formal attire)
      * I have 2 seats for our constituents. Let me know if you would like to be an attendee so I can register you. Feb 11 | 5:30 - 9:00 PM | STUDENT UNION MEMORIAL CENTER
      * Hannah and Claire?
  + More money:
    - micro grants will be available in 2022-2023 for grads and undergrads for amounts up to $200 for health, mental health, hygiene, medical care, etc.
    - There is still money in the emergence relief fund. Go apply if you have had something strange or difficult occur. This was helpful for me when I had my rent check stolen and cashed. It would be great if you need car repairs or a new computer.
      * <https://grad.arizona.edu/funding/opportunities/graduate-college-financial-hardship-funds>
    - Pod grants (licensure and test fees) were successful last year. We are continuing that grant. SLAT students, this will pay for any testing fees.
  + Masks:
    - In response to the letters we sent last month, we were told:
      * The university supposedly ordered 2000 kn95s for students, but they are not in the “stage” to distribute them
      * If you (grad students) need more KN95 masks, you can go to the building manager (Anne Shephard). We don’t really think that is fair on building managers, but you know…if you need a mask!
      * GPSC was given 200. If you need more masks, you can also pick them up in the GPSC Office. I’ll likely take a shift handing them out. Let me know if you need some, and I can grab them.
    - We passed a motion to pressure administration to distribute kn95s through the bookstore for both grads and undergrads.
  + Parental leave starting in January:
    - all grad workers are eligible for 12 weeks of paid parental leave. This can be extended up to 6 weeks for complications of health
    - If both parents are grad students, you can both take it
  + Health insurance:
    - the adhoc insurance committee to creating a survey for international students to gauge their needs
  + Course offerings - I brought the concerns of RCTE and Literature course offerings to GPSC.
    - They are going to connect me to a working group with the registrar’s office who might be able to help (Alex Someone in some working group)
  + Proxy - I don’t anticipate missing a meeting, but will someone volunteer to proxy for me if I can’t make a meeting? They are hybrid meetings, offered in-person and on zoom.
* Social Chair (Mucktadir):

**Project Reports**

* EGU Constitution Revision:
* EGU Archive Organization:
* Directory/Newsletter:

**Projects & Tasks:**

* URGENT: Fill the incoming Co-Chair position
* ONGOING: Constitution Revision
* ONGOING: EGU Archive Organization

**Conversations:**

**Questions:**

* ONGOING: How do we continue to maintain the care systems we’ve begun working on this semester? How can these care systems continue to evolve going forward, and what can future care systems look like?
* ONGOING: What is a good funding model? What could help us, the GATs, as the structures shift?

**New Concerns & Homework:**

* ONGOING: Remind people of travel, research and professional development funding with low-stakes application processes!
  + [EGU Travel Awards for “official university business” travel](https://english.arizona.edu/egu-travel-fund) - $325 to cover costs of presenting work at a conference
  + [English Graduate Student Research Fund](https://english.arizona.edu/graduate-student-research-fund) - $500 for research travel/field work. Money can be used for local research costs as of 2021 (including buying books, transcription software, etc.).
  + [GPSC Travel, Research, and Professional Development grants](https://gpsc.arizona.edu/grantsawards). Three separate applications for different types of opportunities; up to $750 for eligible research travel or research project costs, up to $1500 for eligible Professional Development costs