The meeting began at 5:00.


In remembrance of 9-11-01, we each discussed our individual feelings, memories and experiences of that day.

A discussion was held concerning the GSA by-laws pertaining to the election of officers. As the by-laws are currently written, the election of officers takes place at the first meeting in the fall semester. We discussed changing this law so that the election of officers for the upcoming year would take place in the spring, which would be more logical and functional. A majority vote of 5% of the GSA membership is necessary for a change in the by-laws. Since every graduate student is a member, we tabled our discussion until next week after we have all had time to study the by-laws.

We elected new officers. Stauna Mandic and Katherine Sorum, who have been unofficially doing a great job as president and vice president, were officially elected to those positions. Brenda Hatcher was elected to the position of secretary/treasurer. Liz Ward resigned from that position since she is now in her last semester of school. Great job, Liz, and good luck!

Possible revisions to the Graduate Student Probation clause for the new Graduate Bulletin were discussed for the purpose of creating consistency between all graduate programs and to raise the standards of integrity and professionalism in our graduate programs. Recommendations were discussed concerning minimum GPA's and the maximum number of "C" grades allowed in core classes. A decision was agreed upon to suggest to the graduate committee that a 3.25 minimum GPA and no more than two C's in required classes be allowed for all programs. If someone did drop below these requirements, they and their advisor would get a letter reminding them of the requirements, and they would have one semester to rectify the situation. If they did not bring up their grade point, or do better when retaking the required course, they would be dropped from the program. Note: anyone who started in the current bulletin is bound by it, not by the new bulletin under discussion.

Dr. Tony Hecimovic announced the opening for a GSA representative for the library committee. Russ Warchola volunteered for the position. Thank you, Russ.
DINNER AND A MOVIE
Liz Ward’s name was picked to receive a free movie rental from Blockbuster!
Stauna arranged for Pizza from the SUB to be delivered for our meeting! How much more can we ask for?

Katherine Sorum made a tally of volunteers for the Habitat for Humanity project of September 27th.

The meeting ended at 6:00.