Executive Report
From the Office of the Vice President of Internal Affairs, Jordan Hughes
Date: February 13, 2016

Upcoming Events & Deadlines
1. 2/17 Deadlines! Interview, Internship, Jumpstart and Athletics
2. Research Symposium (Tuesday, 3/15 of Grad Week)

Action Items for Assembly Members
1. Please continue to spread the word that the travel grant deadline change from the 7th to the FIRST! This is for Individual and Group Travel.

Accomplishments since previous meeting
1. Our travel and research grant deadlines for 2/17 have all just passed! We just closed the Internship, Interview, Jumpstart and Athletics Research Grant deadlines on ZoomGrants. Meghan and Lidia will be assigning to reviewers this week and next week.
2. Related to point 2 above, our Internal Affairs Team carried out a large-scale marketing plan to reach out to faculty from all schools/colleges here at ASU. Our goal was to engage faculty from all colleges.
3. Worked on Travel and Research Grant data presentation for Assembly
4. Updated GPSA website in Travel/Research sections to be consistent with current policies, namely around submitting your own unique work to the travel grant programs
5. Continued to promote changed monthly travel grant deadline (Individual and Group) to the FIRST of the month (used to be the 7th) – this change is noted on the GPSA Facebook page and website.
6. Continuing to discuss assessment strategy for travel programs to create discussion on which programs are fulfilling missions, and which are not – likely will be published in the form of a suggestions document for next year’s IA team
7. I met with the Sun Devil Athletics Operations Board multiple times to discuss future of Athletics Research Grant and Athletics Students Fee – submitted proposed changes to Athletic Research Grant structure and parameters to Pauline for the Council of Presidents to review

Planned accomplishments by next meeting
1. Assignment of 2/17 applications to reviewers (Interview, Internship, Athletics Research Grant, and Jumpstart)
2. Will likely have decisions out for all of the 2/17 deadlines by the March Assembly Meeting

Committee Report (2/4/16 Meeting)
Accomplishments since previous meeting
Our second committee meeting of the semester was on Thursday, 2/4/16, 6-7 PM in the Tempe GSC. Below are the items we discussed.
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1. Recap of Travel and Research Grant Info Sessions – what went well, what would we like to change, etc.
2. Marketing strategies for upcoming 2/17 deadlines – last minute suggestions and ideas
3. Further discussion on what could be improved for next year’s marketing efforts
4. Discussed the IA Assessment Project that the IA Committee will be taking on after the 2/17 deadlines. The project will mainly use data to share which programs are truly reaching a variety of disciplines, and which programs are only supporting a limited number of programs/colleges.
5. Discussed Assembly Oversight of IA; the committee was in consensus that oversight comes from our IA Committee structure and that nuances of the programs should be handled by our team and IA leadership
6. Discussed GPSA/IA Leadership interest for 2016-2017

Planned accomplishments by next meeting
1. Specific assignments for IA Assessment Project and End of Year Report
2. Continued progress on document that outlines proposed changes to Travel and Research Grant Programs for 2016-2017