



CASE WESTERN RESERVE
UNIVERSITY EST. 1826

General Assembly

6 December 2007

CLEVELAND, OHIO

Welcome!

to the fourth General Assembly of 2007-2008



GSS

The Graduate Student Senate of
CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

be involved.

grow as a professional.

the GSS



Introductions

Officers:

- Kevin M. Speer, *President*
- Katherine Crispin, *Vice-President*
- Olivier Arnoult, *Treasurer*
- Jennifer Talley, *Corresponding Secretary*
- Jose Gomez, *Recording Secretary*

Executive Board:

- Saad Alkazemi, *Professional Programs*
- Jimmy Harris, *Engineering*
- Marjorie Montanez, *Medical Sciences*
- Chris Ryan, *Math & Natural Sciences*
- Matthew Schiefer, *At-Large*
- Mike Swickrath, *At-Large*
- Rachael Volokhov, *Social Sciences*

Deans:

- Dr. Chuck Rozek
- Dr. Denise Douglas

Staff:

- Ms. Linda LaPinta, *Office Manager*



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Update: Organizations & Allocations

Jennifer Talley





Bylaws: Proposed Amendment

Article VII. Recognition of Student Organizations

E. Petition for Recognition

All petitions for recognition must be received by the Chairperson of the Student Organizations and Allocations Committee no earlier than September 1st and no later than September 30th of the academic year for which recognition is desired. Petitions received before or after that time shall not be considered *unless the board determines that extenuating circumstances beyond the control of the parties involved gives sufficient reason for a late submission*. A new petition for recognition must be submitted each year.



Update: Mentoring Committee

Membership:

Daniel Anderson, *English*

Adam Bradley, *Physics*

Katherine Crispin, *Geological Sciences*

Brett Hoover, *Biology*

Heather Koniz, *Theater & Dance*

Sarah Kyker, *Biology*

Stephanie Liscio, *History*

Marjorie Montanez, *Pharmacology*

Penny Roufs, *Chemistry*

Craig Rudick, *Astronomy* **(Chair)**

Matt Schiefer, *Biomedical Engineering*

Kevin Speer, *Electrical Engineering*



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Goals/Strategy:

■ Handbooks on Graduate Student Mentoring

■ Faculty and Student Handbooks

- Modeled after University of Michigan's *How to Mentor Graduate Students*," available online at <http://www.rackham.umich.edu/downloads/publications/Fmentoring.pdf>

■ Outline best practices in mentoring

■ Faculty Senate needs to start reviewing documents ASAP!

■ Survey

■ Survey all grad students about the mentoring they have received at Case

■ Data will supplement handbooks

■ All other projects on hold!



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Timeline

- **~1 week from today**
 - Faculty and Student Handbooks
 - Survey will be distributed via email – Please help us get participation!
 - Prizes for participation
 - Outline best practices in mentoring
- **January 17th**
 - Special Session of the GA to discuss handbook drafts
 - Drafts will be posted online for review by January 10th
- **February 6th, 2008**
 - Vote of GSS Approval at regularly scheduled GA
 - Final drafts posted for review by January 31st



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Update: RTA Committee

Jimmy Harris





**Report: Grad Night Out
Food Drive
Case at the Q**

Xanthe Gray



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Update: Faculty Senate Committee on Research

Jose Gomez



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Thanks for coming!

Adjourn to the Miller Room (Rockefeller 221) for cookies and discussion!

