Meeting Minutes: Tue, Sept 1st, 2009 @ 5:30 PM, 1930's Room in Rockefeller Center
(Attendance: Exec Board = 10, Dept Reps = 15, Guests = 4)

**WELCOME** (Tina C.): guests please check in with Li C.
- Aug 4th, 2009 minutes approved (yay : nay : abstention = 20 : 1 : 2)

**ACTION ITEMS**
- Approval of budget allocation for Student Life & Academics (yay : nay : abstention = 19 : 4 : 0)

**UPDATES & REVIEWS**

**DEAN POGUE REPORT** (Brian P.)
- PhD/MBA Program
- Anonymous academic survey for grad students to find areas for educational improvements
  (Will be staggered from the student life survey so students are not “over-surveyed”)
- Caution of economy – unstable. Housing costs have increased but would like to see a decrease so
  that it is affordable. Hopefully, the stipend increase has offset the housing increase.
- Grad studies have little to say about the dental / vision insurance, although is supportive.

**PRESIDENT REPORT** (Tina C.)
- Meeting with President Kim (Sept / Oct): talk about Dental / Vision, housing, parking (fee will be
  raised), lower costs to host events at Alumni Hall (Hanover Inn), ask President Office to match
  GSC travel grant of $500. Any other issues? E-mail GSC or Tina.
- Dept Rep Elections:
  - Oct 5-9 call for reps, Oct 12-16 elections, Nov 3 elected reps start
  - Two major changes:
    - TDI and MPH are considered as two separate departments.
    - Inclusion of Thayer MS/PhD/MEM as they are now paying the A & S student activity fee
- Additional funding request guidelines: Clubs asking for funding OTHER THAN EVENTS must
  make themselves well-advertised to all grad students.

**VICE-PRESIDENT REPORT** (James H. & Lola T.)
- Publish list of organizations for grad students to take part in. Will send out e-mail requesting for
  grad student contacts to those organizations.
- Working on a town house meeting featuring President Kim.
  If there is any particular topic you are interested for discussion, e-mail James.

**FINANCIAL REPORT** (Nimit D.)
- August Financial Review
- Funding Request from TDI: TDI Healthcare event at Hanover Inn Terrace to promote TDI to the
  rest of the Dartmouth community. Approved $200 for event to be held on Sept 29, 5:30 – 8 pm
  (yay : nay : abstention = 16 : 5 : 1).
- Funding Request from Chinese Student Association: Moon Festival open to all grad students.
  Event will be held on campus in early October. Funding request denied as a written proposal was
  not prepared.
ACTIVITIES REPORT (Katie K. & Jeremy H.)
- Pig Roast was a huge success.
- Orientation starts Sept 22. First year mug event (choice of travel mug or ceramic mug).
- BEMA: Oct 3. with a new DJ.

ACADEMICS REPORT (Annalies V.)
- E-mail or talk to Annalies if you have feedback on letter to graduate alumni and / or GSC travel grant application.

STUDENT LIFE REPORT (Casey M.)
- OGRES: almost done; electronic version will be distributed via e-mail to incoming students. Will make copies for those who request a print version.
- Orientation Tours: Current reps will receive e-mail asking to give a tour to incoming students in own department.
- Nugget Update: Total sales of subsidize is $250 as of last week. Seems reasonable and will keep it running for now.

NORTH PARK REPORT (Michael H.)
- North Park hosting wine and cheese event on Sept 15th (posted on orientation schedule).

LANDERS REPORT (Kerry L.)
- Workshops on job search and dissertation, DCAL wine and cheese events are / will be posted and e-mailed.

Meeting Adjourned @ 6:47 pm