

## EGO Minutes

September 11, 2007

14 people attended

### Conferences

- CFPs are posted on the EGO website, and new ones will be added in the future.
- Sample abstracts are also available on the website.
- Oct. 1 is the abstract due date for the EGO conference.

### Conference Tips

- The more outside people who attend our conference, the better. Invite graduate students from other universities and departments to participate in the EGO conference.
- If you are interested in attending a conference, find a faculty member or other interested students to go with you. It is easier to go in groups.

### T-Shirts

- The shirts will be navy blue and feature “Big EGO” in small letters on the front and “The more of us there are, the bigger our EGO” on the back.
- See Bridgette for questions about T-shirts.

### Committee Appointments

- Andy is the new graduate student representative for the Writing Faculty Committee.

### Graduate Committee Report

- Dr. Mossman is traveling to different universities and working to recruit more graduate students.
- The Committee is working to increase graduate students' salaries, lessen the workload, and attain benefit packages. EGO members decided that increased salaries and benefits are the most important concerns.
- Joe suggested that students begin assisting faculty members with publications. This will allow students to add a line to their CVs and learn about the publishing process.

### Public Relations

- Kay has written press releases for the EGO conference and sent them to newspapers in Illinois and bordering states.

### Social Events

- Bradley announced that a student/faculty party will be held in early October. Don't worry; it will involve alcohol.
- EGO members will begin meeting at Café Aroma at 2 p.m. on Saturdays.