

April 5, 2006 EGO Meeting Notes

People present:

Sarah, Chris H., Kay, Joe, Dave, Kelly, Julie, and Kate

Nominations Made:

(*Nominations will be accepted up until the voting at the April 19th meeting.)

President - Dave King

Vice President - Sarah Williams

Secretary/Treasurer - Joe Weinberg and Shane Hill (which has not accepted this nomination yet and may want to be considered for another position)

If you have other nominations that you would like to make or would like to run for a position, please contact Kate Simpson or Julie Veile in person or via email at ka-simpson@wiu.edu or julieann081@yahoo.com.

Creative Writing Gala:

This event went very well. The genres workshopped were poetry and nonfiction. There was a consensus that this should be done again next year.

Academic Conference

We are still looking for speakers. Dave has sent out two request letters so far, but would like more suggestions. Joe suggested someone who might be willing to come from Eastern Illinois University. There is no official title yet, but the topic has formed as cultural/national identity.

Dave asked for people who are willing to help with the conference and Sarah, Joe, Kay, and Kelly volunteered. More people are wanted and welcome to help out as well.

New Business for the Fall Semester (Things that need to be discussed next semester):

1. The constitution must be rewritten (or approved again) and submitted to keep our status as a student organization.
2. Do we need to rewrite the purpose statement of EGO? Is it fitting what we're trying to do? Things to consider: exclusivity of G.A.s and T.A.s, being a voice for graduate students, and the importance of socializing with peers.
3. Consider voting rights in EGO and if we want to change them or not.
Things to consider: people only coming to the voting meetings (possibly change membership to attendance at 2 meetings) and the role of graduating and transferring students
4. We need to establish a system of archiving. We should get a lockbox and have an electronic source of information. Currently, Professor Dilger is keeping some GRE research materials for graduate students.

****Next Meeting - We will be voting on President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer on APRIL 19TH @ 3 P.M. in The Writing Center (3rd Floor of Simpkins Hall)****