

Rhian Dunn

- New undergraduate advisor (Anne)
- She will be working with undergraduate students that we may know
- Undergraduate Research Symposium
 - 16 students signed up for right now, but can still sign up
- Next year professors will have to send in a DEI paper stating what they have done
- Graduate curriculum review started yesterday
 - Students haven't been asked to be a part of this yet
- Appendix 2s will be reviewed March 16th and we will receive
- Admissions and recruiting events
 - All 9 students have received their letters of acceptance
 - This year there will be an online virtual event (focusing on program and resources) on March 18th
 - Each student will set up an independent time to come to MSU with their advisor
- International travel requests are still going on, you still need a 3 week window but will hopefully be able to be shorter after spring break
- GEU member on the board
 - Maybe combine GEU and Treasurer

Aubree Marshall

- To keep up with COVID-19 policies, check: <https://msu.edu/together-we-will/>
 - As of now, masks will not be required on campus (with the exception of academic settings) beginning March 7th, 2022
- COGS funding: Last funding cycle was very busy, there is some money still available so apply (especially conference award!)
 - If you have a conference at the end of summer, you have to apply to conference award at the beginning of the next year; every one of these awards are reimbursement awards
 - Professional development awards are different, you can receive these as a fellowship from the graduate school before you go to the event
- Coffee and Connections are still occurring, the next is March 14th

Cara Jacobs

- Treasurer- the two coins are still missing

Emily Milton

- Listening sessions
 - One has passed
 - Next two are on:
 - March 15th
 - March 16th
 - Come in and talk about your experience- the department wants to know so they can get a better idea of how to improve retention rates within the department, etc
 - Everything is anonymous

- Field safety meeting
 - Alex White- she is going to run a program on safety in the field and learning practical skills that could be beneficial
 - Monday March 28th, both a morning and afternoon session
 - There will also be a follow up session with Dr. Fenton and Dr. Morgan to talk about our experiences in the field with our own research
 - This will be the department RCR
 - You can attend both sessions or just one, they will take attendance and the time will count towards your RCR hours
- Shared graduate handbook with our own experiences to help other graduate students/incoming graduate students
 - For example, safe places to live, how paying taxes between East Lansing and Lansing, finding roommates, etc

Kelsey Merreck Wagner

- Joan is going to retire soon
- If you want to highlight anything about Joan, send them to Kelsey for a newsletter
 - She will be sending out an email soon, so keep an eye out for it

Jeff Burnett

- GEU will be having elections soon
- They're focusing on recruitment right now