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**20 people, including Dr. Lewis and gpsa eboard were in attendance.
Start time was at 6:05 pm and end time was 7:15pm.**

1. Welcome
2. Best day to have monthly GPSA meetings
 - A date will be determined using Doodle survey.
3. Free APA student membership deadline: Feb 15th
 - Students should contact Lisa Baker for forms.
4. National APA Conference in Boston
 - Deadlines: - Feb. 10 for best deal
 - Students can sign up to work at conference for \$100 discount.
 - Travel Plans/Lodging - can get a hotel along subway line for 70 on Priceline. - use AIR B&B.com, can book someone's house or apartment.
 - APA SRC Regional Representatives Nominations due March 1, 2011 - person will be voted for at the National APA conference by students in attendance.
<http://www.planning.org/leadership/students/opportunities.htm#chair>
 - ECPA Emerging Professionals Essay Contest for Conference links will be posted on the website
ecpaplanning.ning.com
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5. Sustainable Development Conference III
 - Union College on March 4, 2011
 - \$11 dollars for students.
 - Deadline to register is Feb. 21
 - Forms posted on website
6. "Holy Grail" CD/Flash drive with study guide for AICP/Comp exams
 - David will copy it to student drives on school computers
7. Prospective Student Days

- According to Dr. Lewis, this usually is on the weekend and has teacher representation of the program.
- We could organize students to attend also. For example - organize slide shows. -bring maps.
- Dr. Lewis will send out the dates.

8. Teach-ins

- Chris suggests student luncheons, where we can present our work. - can talk about master's papers or other projects.

9. Planning Documentary/Film Screenings - Have a planning movie night.

- Doodle survey will be used?

10. Planetizen Survey - Resource for people looking at planning schools.

- Corresponded with Managing Editor, Tim Halbur assured that the new guide will feature updated information and that they have been working with the department to ensure the accuracy of the information

11. Preferred means of communications - Aaron likes Posterous - email based, can send to your page by email and it will post - can also auto post to facebook - might be a way to integrate communications.

12. Spring Trip Location Ideas -

- Bunnell would be willing to lead a Northampton trip. -
- possible small trip to Montreal, need enhanced id, so would be a small trip. -
- Possible tour of New Brunswick with Lewis, may need to be an overnight trip.

13. Setting up lines of regular contact between GPSA/MRP program students and Upstate Chapter as well as National APA

- Tobin is working on this.

14. Sustainable Urban Housing Competition and prize -

- Dr Lewis suggests a look into the Capitol District Community Loan Fund - Lewis and Scally are contacts. - Send Lewis an email to get info. www.changemakers.com/sustainableurbanhousing

15. GPSA Website

- Get students to put profiles up.
- GPSA Youtube Site - contact Jeff Olson for more student videos or Scally.

16. CDPA update from Reps Christine Earhart and Scott Workman

17. Student Involvement/Events update -

- Andrew Weiss wants to get fund raising ideas and get some mixer or fundraising events started. - Start working on the end of the year party. - we need to set a date for this.

Other topics in addition to agenda:

This coming Monday 9 to 5 in the plaza is UAlbany day. Contact Dr. Lawson about sending posters or showing up as a student representative.

Scott - talked about CDPA luncheons - these will be posted on the website.

Scott - we should have a vote for a mini WTPD. - CDPA - perhaps a half day, mini WTPD. Tie in with the sustainable conference? Could be April 4th through 8th.

John Stark and Adam Yagelski - we should have a mock interview night - get up more comfortable with doing interviews.

Free Stakeholder for Sustainable Stakeholders luncheons with presenters.