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GSA General Assembly Minutes for Wednesday, September 16th 2015

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:30pm by the President: Murugan Balaji

2. Attendees:

E-Board:

Murugan Balaji, Ravi Teja Uppaluri, Nikhil Joshi, Chaitra Gowda ,Rahul Arya, Shailendra Khandewale

Guests: DR.Sotirios G. Ziavras, Ms. Clarisa Gonzalez Lenahan.

Clubs: Sanskar, GBMES, PHD Club, Transportation club, AIAA, Christian on Campus

3. GSA Past Events:

Murugan Balaji discussed the past events held by GSA like Club fair, Fall Trip-2015, Fresher's Party and also discussed the opinions of the students about the events.

4. GSA Upcoming Major Events:

Murugan Balaji also announced the major GSA Upcoming Events like GSA Casino Night, Thesis and Dissertation Workshop, GSA Research Day and GSA Pub Night. Dates are still to be finalized.

5. Events by NJIT:

Reverse Career Fair is going to be held on Wednesday, Sep 30th, 2015 from 10.30 am to 12:00 pm.

6. Signup for events/Volunteer:

An open call was made for the willing students to work as volunteers for the upcoming GSA events.

7. Special Announcements:

A) Department Representative Elections were announced, Nominations forms available at campus centre help desk. Last day to fill nomination: Friday 27th Sep, 2015. Drop the forms at Campus Centre 445- GSA office.

B) GSA Club Events: Sanskar announced Bollywood Night event on Friday 18th sep 2015, GBMES announces its 1st assembly meeting on Friday 25th Sep, 2015.

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C) GSA New Club: Arts Club-Proposal

A new club was proposed by GSA which is Arts club, a positive feedback was received by majority of the members present in meeting, its structure and base is going to be decided more in next assembly meeting.

8. Other Issues:

- a) One of the issues faced by the PHD students was the un-necessary fines held by bursar office on them due to the late submission of financial aid forms by Departments, Dr. Sotirios G. Ziavras addressed the situation and explained how the things work out.
- b) Members had concerns about new GSA website, Shailendra Khandewale-GSA Technology Officer addressed the situation and informed that it's still going to take 1.5 months to make a complete update to new GSA website.
- c) One of the Graduate student had an Idea of bringing up the Zip Car to on campus, GSA will send out emails to list server and decide on the majority of students need zip car on campus.

9. Next General Assembly Meeting:

The next meeting is going to be held on Wednesday, Sep 30th, 2015 from 4.30 to 5.30 pm at Campus center 220.
