MENA Middle East and North Africa Graduate Student Organization

MENA meeting 11-30-2012

Attendants:

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Agenda:

1. GPSC funding

2. Conference update
   - CFP dissemination: N.B. International deadline: December 13th – Will be sent again
   - Keynote speaker, James Gelvin
     - At the Marriott? (booking 2 nights)
     - Coming in on Wednesday after his class?
     - Master's class on Thursday?
     - Leaving when?
     - Once we hear back from him on dates we can proceed with the booking

3. Abstract Review Committee
   Friday 14th at the Department – time to be decided

4. Further Funding
   ASUA: room tech; printing for program and advertising flyers
   IKON: breakfast; food at the keynote’s speech
   CERCLL

5. Finance report
   Business banking account

6. Aron Aji Event
   His talk: Friday 5th April 5pm for the German Studies
   Joint event (make sure that MENA panels will be over by 4.30 pm)
   His Master’s class might be on Saturday 6th

7. 595D: Deadline was today by 8 a.m. - 20/25 responses

8. MENA Board elections to fill in positions

9. Turkish Studies Professor
   There will be 3 or 4 more job talks in the Spring 2013