

UA Exec and Committee Updates

November 10, 2010

UA President and Vice President (Vrajesh Modi and Sammi Wyman)

- Accomplished:
 - Held 42 U.A.E. 7
 - Vetoed 42 U.A.S. 4.3
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will hold 42 U.A.E. 9
 - Further work on online registration, advising, etc.

UA Chief of Staff (Alexandra Jordan)

- Accomplished:
 - Introduced 42 U.A.S. 6.1
 - Senate passed 42 U.A.S. 4.1
- Will Accomplish:
 - Amend Exec bylaws
 - Continue to meet with student reps to institute committees (meeting with Tim Jenks on Wednesday to discuss Educational Opportunities Study Group)

UA Treasurer (Ellen McIsaac)

- Accomplished:
 - Reimbursements with the SAO and Student-Faculty Dinners
 - Granted access to the rest of the UA accounts
 - Clarified tax exempt status for Student/Faculty Dinners
 - Finboard Office Hours
- Will Accomplish:
 - Putting together spring 2011 budget (please send me your committee's budget for next spring)

UA Secretary-General (Alec Lai)

- Accomplished:
 - Took minutes for 42 U.A.E. 7; revised 42 U.A.E. 6
 - Took minutes for 42 U.A.S. 6: revised and posted 42 U.A.S. 5
 - Sent emails to all constituencies regarding senator attendance
 - Compiled and printed Exec Updates
 - Met with the Public Relations committee
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will continue to meet with people with regards to UA Communications
 - Will submit summaries of meetings to the Tech tonight (and post them online)
 - Will take minutes for 42 U.A.E. 8 and 42 U.A.S. 7 and conduct normal procedure
 - Will be working on UA Newsletter #4
 - Will meet with communications officers of the administration
 - Will work on increasing updates – as mentioned at retreat, and work on the other internal tasks as specified by the internal communications discussion group (Notes by Anika Gupta)
 - Will meet with more UA members about communication
 - Will finish white paper on internal and external communication

- Will Accomplish, if time permits:
 - Will discuss the potential of a UA Hitchhiker's Guide
 - Continue work on two new initiatives: UA Connections (on mapping communication lines to faculty and administration) and UA Personal (achieving personal touch with the students).
 - Hoping to develop a memo on proper forms, strategies, and syntaxes on argumentation and persuasion tactics
 - Consider meeting with area communicators (such as secretaries of admin, other student groups, other university governments) to discuss ideas

Speaker and Vice Speaker of the Senate (Jonté Craighead and Tim Jenks)

- Accomplished:
 - Kicked off the Senate Mentorship Program for two groups
 - Held 42 U.A.S. 6
 - Invited UA Alums Noah Jessop '09 and Maggie Delano '10 to lead discussion on Student Engagement
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will hold 42 U.A.S. 7 on November 15th
 - Arrange meetings for the other two mentorship groups

Assistant to the Vice President on Information Systems (Alex Dehnert)

- Accomplished:
 - Investigated the UA survey system
 - Continued support for Student-Faculty Dinners
 - Helped UA affiliates
 - Blog updates
 - Website updates
 - Reorganized navigation

Assistant to the Vice President on Resource Development (Diana Hsieh)

- Accomplished:
 - Compiled list of MIT Alumni Companies
 - Drafted proposal to Costco for the Costco Shuttle
- Will Accomplish:
 - Visit Flour requesting TechCash
 - Send proposal to Costco
 - Draft proposal to MIT Alumni Companies

Chair of the Committee on Alumni Relations (Ashley Nash)

- Accomplished:
 - Recruitment for a few members
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will form a committee
 - Will meet with people who respond to the email and make a decision

Chair of the Committee on Athletics (Riley Brandt)

- Accomplished:
 - Met with committee and came up with a timeline for drafting white paper
 - Continuing to conduct research this week
- Will Accomplish:
 - Large meeting with SAAC, GSC, CSC, UA, and IM exec representatives Saturday (11/13) at 3 pm

Chair of the Committee on Dining (Vacant)

- Vacant – no update submitted.

Chair of the Committee on History (Adam Bockelie)

- Accomplished:
 - Posted the history of membership for committee chairs, vice chairs, and AVPs
 - Tagged all legislation, agendas, and committee updates from this year
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will tag all Senate and Exec minutes from this year
 - Will tag survey from this year
 - Will create committee bylaws governing document
 - Will pester committee chairs to write bylaws. A mission statement would be a nice start.

Chair of the Committee on Housing (Daniel Hawkins)

- No update submitted.

Chair of the Committee on Nominations (Alexandra Jordan)

- See UA Chief of Staff for updates.

Chair of the Committee on Space Planning (Will Steadman)

- Accomplished:
 - CSL is meeting in December about increased enrollment
 - Got work order for power plugs in Student Center reading room
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will hear back from people on the committee
 - Will talk with students who want to start the smoothie shop
 - Will write up surveys for the smoothie shop

Chair of the Committee on Student Life (Richard Dahan)

- Accomplished:
 - Continued with PLUS
 - Worked on Boston Daytime on weekends: IFC agreed to have some funding and CSL will try and get more funding from Senate
 - More concrete plan for capture the beaver
 - Talked to S^3
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will ask Senate for funding
 - Each committee member will send an email and talk to friends to solicit ideas to improve CSL
 - Will figure out a budget for next semester

- Will write enrollment report
- Will help Diana with proposals to Target and Costco for shuttles
- Will work on a combination of schoolwide City Days and inter-living group Public Service competitions at the end of IAP and beginning of Spring semester
- Will get an update on cost estimates for adding power outlets to Stata

Chair of the Committee on Sustainability (Raimundo Krishna Esteva)

- Accomplished:
 - Printed posters
 - Ordered \$800 in lightbulbs
 - Met with John DiFava and several others in facilities
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will distribute 1000 lightbulbs

Chair of the Events Committee (Christine Chen)

- Accomplished:
 - Interviewed three new committee members
 - Worked with an agent to figure out who to make an offer to
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will start planning a committee bonding meeting
 - Will hopefully finalize offer/book artist depending on pricing/availability
 - Will work with institute events to figure out cost

Chair of the Finance Board (Cynthia Boulbrick)

- Accomplished:
 - Held office hours
 - Met with CAC to discuss furniture policy
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will have specifics of the furniture policy established
 - Will have another round of office hours

Chair of the Public Relations Committee (Janet Li)

- Accomplished:
 - Ran first ever UA Midnight Study Break last Wednesday night
 - Ran UA Booth on Friday
 - Filled in right side of UA infinite poster
 - Got in contact with CAC about putting sign in old Game Room asking for student input
 - Tasked specific UA people to blog on specific weeks
 - Updated PR web page
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will work with CAC to design and put up a sign in the old Game Room asking for student input
 - Will finalize and set date for "Dinner with UA Officers" open to all undergrads
 - Will brainstorm with committee about future UA Midnight Study Breaks

Chair of the Student Committee on Education Policy (Liyan David Chang)

- Accomplished:
 - Scheduled meetings for research as dictated by Senate
- Will Accomplish
 - Attend and scheduled more meetings as necessary for additional research
 - Transition power to Vice Chair as Chair will be stepping down next term
 - Changes to White Paper pending responses from Admin and SCEP