

UA Exec and Committee Updates

March 14, 2011

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

- Accomplished this semester:
 - Continued working on main topics (Walker, etc.) and Student Engagement
- Accomplished last week:
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- Will accomplish this semester:
 - Continued work on the above projects, especially Student Engagement
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UA Chief of Staff (Alexandra Jordan)

- Accomplished this semester:
 - Filled all vacancies committees (CLS)
 - Maintained communication with Committee Chairs in preparation for spring nominations
 - Brought CRD Reps to Senate
 - Removed reps from Institute Committees
 - Prepared for TSE (which hasn't happened)
- Accomplished last week:
 - Filled all vacancies on COD, CSL, CUAFA, and SOCR
 - Filled seats on new committees (Orientation, FYE, SAO Search, SLOPE)
 - Compiled a complete list of every committee and council at the Institute
 - Organizing COC/CUP meeting with SCEP to discuss major/minor overlap and interdisciplinary majors
- Will accomplish this semester:
 - Conduct spring nominations process in April
 - Organize and run Institute-wide survey with questions for Institute Committee reps
- Will accomplish this week:
 - Gather questions from reps for survey

UA Treasurer (Anika Gupta)

- Accomplished this semester:
 - Caught up on the operating procedures of the UA and on all pending reimbursements from IAP and Spring
 - Tried to make sure that everyone involved in the UA is aware of the new reimbursement process.
 - Helped with FinBoard and LEF/ARCADE allocations.
- Accomplished last week:
 - LEF/ARCADE Allocations and FinBoard allocations
- Will accomplish this semester:
 - Continue with processing reimbursements in a timely matter
 - Ensure that budgets are updated on the UA website
 - Continue with allocations and implementing the new FinBoard bylaws.

- Will accomplish this week:
 - More reimbursements!

UA Secretary-General (Alec Lai)

- Accomplished this semester:
 - Took minutes for Exec and Senate meetings
 - Updated attendance sheet for Exec and Senate
 - Compiled Exec Updates
 - Wrote Newsletters
- Accomplished last week:
 - Took minutes for 42 U.A.E. 16 (approval of 12-16 soon)
 - Took minutes for 42 U.A.S. 12 (approval of minutes for 11 and 12 postponed)
 - Updated attendance sheet for Exec and Senate
 - Compiled Exec Updates
- Will accomplish this semester:
 - Will get out of backlogged situation
 - Will thank communications officers and the Dean's newsletters – continue to push for another
 - Work on finishing Fall Semester Report 2011
 - Work on UA Communications Review Report
 - Work on Hitchhiker's Guide to the UA
- Will accomplish this week:
 - Will take minutes for 42 U.A.E. 17 and 42 U.A.S. 13 and conduct normal procedure
 - Will finish work on attendance and send out relevant emails

Speaker and Vice Speaker of the Senate (Jonté Craighead and Janet Li)

- Accomplished this semester:
 - Senate Meetings and legislation
 - Selected a Vice Speaker – Janet Li
 - Appointed staff members
- Accomplished last week:
 - 42 UAS 12 and associated legislation
- Will accomplish this semester:
 - More Senate meetings
- Will accomplish this week:
 - Hold 42 UAS 13

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

- Accomplished this semester:
 - Brought up TechCash with Flour
 - Transitioned Trader Joe's shuttle to MIT Transportation
 - Worked with Princeton Review with room reservations
 - Worked with Kaplan to organize practice tests and room reservations
 - Followed up with Shaw's about shuttle and catering
- Accomplished last week:
 - Continued to follow up with TechCash at Flour
 - Finished processing payment for Trader Joe's shuttle
 - Worked with Princeton Review on room reservations

- Will accomplish this semester:
 - Stock Athena Clusters with staplers and hole punchers
 - Follow up on TechCash at Flour
 - Continue fostering relationship with Princeton Review and Kaplan
- Will accomplish this week:
 - Contact necessary people regarding staplers and hole punchers in Athena Clusters

Chair of the Committee on Alumni Relations (Ashley Nash)

- Accomplished this semester:
 - Opened Student Alumni Dinners
 - Met with new committee members assigned tasks
- Accomplished last week:
 - Learned to use the dinner sign-up interface
 - Registered people's dinners/ answered questions
- Will accomplish this semester:
 - Update blurbs for dorms/ student groups
 - Teach members how to use dinner interface
- Will accomplish this week:
 - Meet with committee again
 - Find out their progress- offer guidance

Chair of the Committee on Athletics (Michael Walsh)

- Accomplished this semester:
 - Got a few buses for the Basketball NEWMAC and NCAA tournaments.
- Accomplished last week:
 - Talked with Julie Soriero about planning an Athletics Weekend for April 16th.
- Will accomplish this semester:
 - An athletics weekend.
 - Getting half time shows at appropriate games.
 - Concession stand for appropriate games.
 - Look into PE credit for Club sports (unlikely though).
- Will accomplish this week:
 - Confirm athletics weekend date, and begin organizing.
 - Advertise for RecSports dodgeball tournament for April 9th.

Chair of the Events Committee (Christine Chen)

- Accomplished this semester:
 - Announced Spring Weekend artists
 - Opened ticket sales to concert
 - Assigned jobs to committee
 - Met with GSC to discuss collaboration efforts
- Accomplished last week:
 - Opened ticket sales
 - Announced artist in tech article
 - Began GSC collaboration

- Will accomplish this semester:
 - Finish planning out concert
 - Meet with GSC about future collaboration efforts
- Will accomplish this week:
 - Meet with campus police for concert

Chair of the Finance Board (Emily Zhao)

- Accomplished this semester:
 - Beginning to implement new bylaws and policies, written by the CFP.
 - New board, in place to do Spring II and Summer allocations.
- Accomplished last week:
 - Nominated Edan for Vice Chair (confirmed by Senate on Monday).
 - Liaisons are reviewing Spring II applications, sending feedback to groups, in preparation for allocations (Wednesday-Sunday).
- Will accomplish this semester:
 - Finboard is on an incredibly tight schedule from now until the end of term. Many of our tasks are overlapping.
 - Now - 1st week April - Complete Spring II allocations and appeals
 - April - Solicit applications for Medium Event Fund (MEF), review said applications
 - 2nd week April - end of term - Solicit applications for Summer allocations round, do summer allocations.
 - When we have a moment of breathing time - Redo online application system. Review policies.
 - Train student groups to use Finboard's new system. Gather feedback from student groups
- Will accomplish this week:
 - Finish Spring II allocations and submit to Senate for approval.

Chair of the Public Relations Committee (Janet Li)

- Accomplished this semester:
 - Held a successful midnight study break with fondue, to improve relations with undergrads and to collect general feedback for how the UA is doing
 - Ran several UA Booths at the student center, to increase accessibility and interactions between the UA and undergrads, and to gain feedback on various student issues
 - Helped publicize for elections for UA P/VP and class councils (with UA bulletin board, through Senators, etc.)
 - Created UA Facebook page, which is being used to publicize various UA initiatives like the Sustainability Committee's RecycleMania
- Accomplished last week:
 - Ran another UA booth at the student center
 - Started utilizing UA Facebook page more
 - Planned for upcoming Midnight Study Break on 3/16
- Will accomplish this semester:
 - Continue to improve personal relationship between the UA and undergrads with midnight study breaks, UA booths, dinners with the UA, etc.
 - Work with Secretary General to publish and distribute UA Newsletters
 - Look into increasing interactions between Senators and their constituents, for example by having bulletin board in dorms with large photos of the Senators and their room numbers

- Look into making use of Community Conversations fund to improve relations between undergrads and admins
- Will accomplish this week:
 - Will run Midnight Study Break (with Toscanini's ice cream!) on 3/16, to publicize voting for UA elections
 - May update UA bulletin board in Infinite after elections are over

Chair of the Student Committee on Education Policy (Radhika Malik)

- Accomplished this semester:
 - Running student faculty dinners
 - Running violations
 - Finished TA system survey (have to wait till end of spring break)
 - Made preliminary guidelines for professors, and discussed in senate
 - Initiated conversation with CoC and CUP chairs on SCEP and committee collaboration on inter-disciplinary majors and major/minor overlaps
- Accomplished last week:
 - Made preliminary guidelines for professors, and discussed in senate
 - Initiated conversation with CoC and CUP chairs on SCEP and institute committee collaboration on getting student input on inter-disciplinary majors and major/minor overlaps
- Will accomplish this semester:
 - Complete guidelines for professors and have chair of faculty send it out to faculty
 - Send out TA system survey, and write brief report on findings
 - Draft and send out survey with CoC/CUP on inter-disciplinary majors and major/minor overlaps
 - Initiate conversation with subject evaluations team.
- Will accomplish this week:
 - Schedule meeting with Dean Hastings for TA system survey
 - Finalize preliminary draft of guidelines for professors, talk to class councils or UA PR committee on getting more student input for project

Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Athena Printing (Allan Miramonti)

- Accomplished this semester:
 - Hung posters
 - Solicited emails
 - Created and utilized online feedback form
 - Resolved a hardware issue with Pharos
 - Met with Senate
 - Met with Oliver Thomas
- Accomplished last week:
 - Resolved a hardware issue with Pharos
 - Met with Senate
 - Met with Oliver Thomas
- Will accomplish this semester:
 - Solicit more feedback
 - Ensure smooth transition to new system.
- Will accomplish this week:
 - Solicit more feedback

Updates Not Submitted By:

- Assistant to the Vice President on Information Systems (Vacant)
- Chair of the Committee on Dining (Vacant)
- Chair of the Committee on History (Adam Bockelie)
- Chair of the Committee on Housing (Daniel Hawkins)
- Chair of the Committee on Space Planning (Will Steadman)
- Chair of the Committee on Student Life (Richard Dahan)
- Chair of the Committee on Sustainability (Alix de Monts)
- ASA President (Rachel Meyer)