March 6, 2013 UA Exec Meeting

- Updates & Announcements
 - MIT Cheer Funding
 - MIT Cheer (Club Sport) made it to Nationals for the first time and now can't afford it! :(
 - We will help them set up in Lobby 10 (e-mail to undergrads) to fundraise, and we will match what they fundraise
 - Schedule of Admin Meetings
 - Add it to your G-cal!
 - Quality of Life Survey is out
 - Working with the Chancellor to interpret the results and bring it closer to the UA
 - Membership Listing
 - Send <u>ua-secretary@mit.edu</u> your roster of students on your committee!
 - Visiting Pairs assignments and expectations
 - Secretary sent out the assignments for visiting pairs e-mail your assigned Council members welcoming them and inviting them to your meetings:)
- Exec Update (around the table)
 - Near future of MIT2030 (pro tip take classes with influential people at MIT!)
 - Top 2-3 projects/announcements
 - <u>FinBoard</u> finished up their policies and have sent this years recommendations to Council
 - <u>Events</u> committees' tickets went live and eventually figured out the computer glitches
 - Sold 2200 tickets sold (4 times what they've sold in the past) so it will be a fantastic concert
 - There's a 4,000 capacity
 - Opener will be announced very soon
 - Lining up events with Class Council and SaveTFP for the week of Spring Fest
 - <u>Public Relations</u> First study break will be next Thursday with a chocolate theme
 - You can use that opportunity to get in touch with people for surveys
 if you have an idea e-mail Hal
 - Elections are fast approaching
 - Voting takes place the week before spring break
 - Student Support idea is to get Faculty to share their struggles with mental health
 - There will be an article in the Tech by Prof Belcher next week

- Wellness Week with other organizations on campus
- <u>Member Development</u> looking at ways to transition in the new President effectively and ways to transition in the new Council
- <u>Engagement</u> want to target the problem solving mind of the student body and bring it into the UA
- <u>Treasurer</u> just finished up with the budget
 - Looking into the possibilities of getting more TechCash readers for student groups
- <u>Technology Systems Group</u> Website will be LIVE on ua.mit.edu this Friday
- Orientation finished meeting with the administrative groups
 - Outlining recommendation report due Thursday; final report finished during Spring Break
- Naren and Ravi meeting with the <u>MITx</u> subcommittee Friday to discuss the potential policies to ensure academic integrity
- <u>MIT2030</u> working on finding a good way to figure out what is important to students with the GSC
- <u>Education</u> is discussing midterm evaluations and term regulations
 - Inviting faculty members to eat at the dining halls to engage with students

Discussion

- Community Conversations
 - UA would reimburse living groups for having a faculty member come and talk to their groups; Betsy is going to Council Tuesday to propose this
 - Advertisement will be across campus (not exclusive to one dorm)
 - Will advertise through Council to leaders of dorms and FSILGs
- Events Committee
 - Do you think the Events Committee is responsible to students?
 - Is it integrated with the rest of the UA?
 - How could it be structured more effectively to organize Fall Festival/Spring Weekend?
 - Discussion:
 - The election portion concerns some the lack of student accountability to students can become an issue
 - Counter Points: generally, there's a survey run for the concert; the president and vice president (who are elected) chose the chair of the committee
 - Very few people apply to be on the committee; it's usually friends of friends
 - Potential changes on the survey have an option to say you're interested in joining the Events Committees
 - To brand the name more, they will be having many giveaways

during springfest with their logo on it!

- How is Exec going? Primarily meeting every other week.
 - It would be nice if everyone actually came to Council
 - Visiting pairs will help
 - Council isn't seen as relevant as exec

Action Points

- Recruitment: The Campaign for Students
 - We want a larger number of students on our committees!
 - In the next couple of days, look out for an e-mail from Jonte for coming in to the UA office to record a quick video discussing what the UA does for students
 - It will be low key; guys, feel free to wear collared shirts.
- O Discussion item for next time?