

# DormCon Minutes 11-10-2016

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Dorm	Attendance	Bad Ideas	Burns
Baker	1	1	1
BC	1	1	1
EC	1	1	1
Maseeh	1	1	1
McCormick	1	1	1
MacGregor	1	1	1
New House	1	1	1
Next House	1	1	1
Senior Haus	1	1	1
Random	0	0	0
Simmons	1	1	1

## Officer Updates

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### Matt

- Controlled value cards going out soon
- New RFP system will be going live for undergrads sometime next fall
- They also will be sending out letters to new financial signatories explaining things

## New Residents Working Group

- Had a meeting about sustainability.
- Next time they meet they will be showing concepts for floorplans.

## House team feedback

- Sarah M: There are people that would like that feedback goes to more people rather than fewer while some house teams would prefer that it go to fewer people than more.
- Yuge: Sometimes it is good to give the info to DSL, but the neutral situation (going to DSL when it isn't needed) is negative for house teams.
- Kyle: I'm unsure about this because it seems like a stalemate of who goes to DSL first.
- Piper: Having everyone see it is one of the main benefits of this whole idea.
- Kyle: Anonymous data would be better in a lot of situations because it makes it a bit safer.
- Kate: We were planning to make the questions as anonymous as possible to start.
- Flora: It would be nice if there was accountability built in.
- It would be nice if GRTs were able to give feedback on the HoH.
- Someone else also mentioned accountability (MacGregor)
- We also don't want to arm DSL with power to remove HoHs that we like though.
- Kyle: By the way the 5 year contracts are still a thing.

## Funding Requests

We voted on two funding requests: one was the Bad Ideas event that is sponsored by East Campus and more is detailed in the attached funding proposal, and the other was the Burns Supper hosted by Simmons. Both

passed for the requested amount of funding. We wanted Bad Ideas to insure that they tried to advertise outside EC especially. Burns Supper was mostly just a matter of if their other funding sources would come through and the general newness of the event added a little uncertainty. The first page attached is the Bad Ideas proposal, then the (unfortunately) landscape page after that is the Burns Supper funding proposal/budget.

Meeting ended at ~9:45

# Bad Ideas Funding Proposal

## Event

Bad Ideas is an event hosted during IAP at East Campus and is open to all of MIT. The event allows students to use their creativity to create absurd and outlandish ideas that they would otherwise not have the resources to. Past events include a rainbow igloo, a snowball sentry gun, and a human dogsled race. The event provides an outlet for students to come together and work on projects as a group, as well as giving them an opportunity to apply their ingenuity and resourcefulness.

## Category

Category 1: One dorm sponsor, Advertised to Everyone

## Date

January 20-22, throughout the day

## Budget

Approximate budget based on previous years:

Rush burgers and other food 1000  
Awards 750  
Glitter Assassins 25  
Wing Eating Contest 500  
Trivia 30  
Circuits Bee 95  
Super Smash Peppers 100  
Dog Sledding 300  
Taco Bell Eating Contest 400  
Chipotle Marathon 500  
Green Building Challenge 150  
Talbot Sleepover 75  
Vacuum Distilled Coffee 300  
Lumber Jack Competition 60  
Real Life Mario Kart 200  
Rube Goldberg 250  
Opaque Horizons 500  
Hot Tub 100  
Snails 235  
RC Roaches 300  
Bad Ideas Banquet 350  
Meat Stata 615  
Roach Quake 250  
Safe Cracking 55  
Rink Fred 1300  
Putz Putt 25  
Python Bee 0  
7-11 Iron Chef 300  
Rainbow Igloo Village 200

Prizes 750

Total Budget 9715

### Accommodation

Bad Ideas will take place in a variety of locations, and the maximum number of people will vary based on location. Two main areas will be Talbot Lounge of East Campus, which can hold 150 people, and the courtyard, which can hold 500 people.

Since our event happens over a couple days we can accommodate many more people.

### People Expected at Event

Again, the amount of people attending will vary on the event, but we anticipate anywhere from 30 to 200 people at any individual event. We estimate about 300 unique people will attend over the course of Bad Ideas. We also expect the people who attend to spend significant time participating.

### Dorm Sponsor

East Campus

### Repeating

Yes - Bad Ideas has been held during IAP for the past 15 years, and is tradition.

### Advertisements

Emails regarding bad ideas will be sent out to dorm mailing lists. Flyers will be put up around campus and in dorms, as well as FSILGs. We will also have an active Facebook event post to which we will invite as many students as we can. Additionally, two or more informative meetings will be held prior to the event to invite people to organize mini projects for the event. These will be open to all of MIT.

### Funding Guidelines Document

I have read the funding guidelines document before submitting this application, and agree to adhere to all standards or policies laid out in those guidelines.

Item	Details	Budget	Funding Source	Amount Requested	Status
<b>Food</b>		<b>\$12,000.00</b>	Simmons Cultural Fund	\$500.00	Confirmed
Catering	Food will be provided in the form of catering from an MIT approved vendor. We are currently awaiting detailed quotes from vendors, however I was informed by one company that it would be in this range. This will cover a full 2-3 course Scottish meal for all 264 participants.	\$12,000.00	Simmons House Funding	\$2,000.00	Application in progress
			DormCon	\$2,000.00	Application in progress
<b>Publicity</b>		<b>\$130.00</b>	LEF/ARCADE	\$4,000.00	Application in progress
Small Posters	For ~100 11"x17" posters online from Best Value Copy	\$40.00	Baker Foundation	\$1,000.00	Application in progress
Large Format Poster	For large format 36"x60" poster for infinite corridor display	\$40.00	Coop Funding	\$1,000.00	Application in progress
Ticketing Site	MIT adMIT One costs	\$50.00	Weekends@MIT	\$2,000.00	Application in progress
			Ticket Sales	\$1,320.00	Expected income at \$5 a ticket
<b>Decorations</b>		<b>\$390.00</b>			
Light Rental	To rent several lights for dancefloor and around Walker from E33 Productions	\$90.00	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,820.00</b>	
Police Detail	Approximate quote from MIT Police	\$300.00			
<b>Entertainment</b>		<b>\$1,100.00</b>			
Band Hire	Estimate to hire Scottish Country Dance Band	\$1,000.00			
AV Equipment	Quote for 1 lapel mic and 1 wireless mic from Boston Audio Rental. Other equipment will be procured from WMBR	\$100.00			
Buffer	To cover any unexpected additional costs	\$200.00			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,820.00</b>			