LMF House Meeting 9/15/2013

Absent: Hayley, Brynna*
Tardy:
*denotes excused

**Proposed Constitutional Amendment:**
Current Constitution stipulations for GRT selection does not reflect what we have done for the past two rounds of GRT selection. House voted in May to form a committee (Caitlin, Elizabeth, Adam) to re-word the relevant section:

*Original section reads:*
The tutor is selected by house vote at a special tutor meeting, after the house has had an opportunity to interview tutor candidates. Again, the basis of tutor selection is subjective and individual, but should have some basis in French ability and the attributes listed above. The house's tutor selection is subject to final approval by the Dean's Office.

*Proposed revision:*
The final GRT selection is done by the Dean's Office based on the input from Housemasters, affected living groups, and potential GRTs. French House elects a GRT selection committee to evaluate and interview tutor candidates and submit a final ranking to the Housemaster. The committee is expected to ask for and consider input from the general house population; however, the discussion during which the GRT candidates are ranked is not required to be open to the general house population. As a guideline, the GRT selection committee is expected to comprise 4 or 5 members of the house.

House vote on above amendment: 20 voting members of the house present (GRT excluded for this particular vote); **Amendment passes.**

**Cleanliness/Kitchen things:** Be courteous, please. Take care of your own crap. Sophie poses a rule to immediately dry large kitchen items (large pots, large bowls, food processor things, cutting boards – anything not belonging to the pantry). Please check the toilets and clean up when you’re done.

**Email Gardés:** If it is after 6pm, chef is under no obligation to check for gardés at that point – you must call the house. 617 253 1000, say “French House” at the prompt. Everyone should write up email gardés if you get the emails.

**Blender:** Our blender is broken; we have the option to get a new one that is sturdy or one that is cheap.
Proposal to allocate $100.00 out of house bills for purchase of sturdy blender. **YES: 9 NO:4 ABSTAIN: 10**

**Proposal to reimburse Elizabeth for study break out of house bills:** **white-balloted, motion passes.**

**Officer Reports:**

**President Sophie:** Nettoyages are due midnight for those of you who have them.
Add items to the agenda if you have something to bring up at the house meeting!

**VP/Housing Rashed:** REX went well; thanks for help. Thanks to Rashed, Sophie, and Xiaoyue for their efforts during this time.

**Trésorier Caitlin:** House bills are out, get those checks to Caitlin by Saturday.

**Food Steward Xiaoyue:**
1) Menus are very expensive – please be mindful of keeping costs down; chicken is cheap, seafood is very expensive
2) Get menus in on time! Makes everyone’s lives easier.
3) Ingredients in the fridge: look on the top shelf

**Secretary Eliz:** will get the directory to you ASAP (pending new social members); website/constitution updates coming.

**Sporty Anna & Steven:** We have a badminton team. If you still want to join, let a sports chair team. IM Badminton currently does not have a manager; if it gets cancelled we will organized our own badminton.

**REX Chairs:** REX happened.

**Social Emma & Maggie:** Halloween party is the next big event. See Kelly’s email regarding camping trip. Sarah is volunteering to chair birthdays.

**Education Eliz & Kelly:**

- **Marathon:** will be last week of September.
- **Budget:** Proposal to allocate $100 from house bills for education chairs to spend at their discretion. Objections raised: not specific enough, proposed items to purchase are not necessary. Education chairs to work with Rebecca on education. **YES: 15, NO: 4, ABSTAIN: 5**

**Tech Chair Steven:** Technology is all running, we are missing a monitor and mouse for computer in the maisonette. If anything is not working, tell Steven and he will fix it. Rebecca can help acquire speaker cables, etc.

**Env. Kelly & Sasha:** We talked about buying a map of France or Europe; will work with Education chairs to buy it. Environmental Chairs to speak with Xiaoyue about buying a kitchen clock.

- **Motion to reimburse Sasha up to $3.00 for photo printing:** white-balloted – motion passes.
- Environmental chairs to use the unused whiteboard for house calendars.
- Emma to lottery the house fridges.

**NH rep Caitlin:** Haven’t had a meeting yet. First one is tomorrow.
GRT Rebecca: First GRT meeting is tomorrow. If you need anything, talk to me. The RLAD is coming to dinner with us on Thursday. Come and say hi when Rebecca’s door is open!