

UA Exec and Committee Updates

October 06, 2010

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

- Accomplished:
 - In the final phases of drafting memo with GSC and Chancellor to clarify best practices for student engagement in Institute Committees
 - Met with Dean Colombo to get +\$500 for Student Faculty Dinners, examining discrepancy in SLF
 - CJAC met
 - HSG Doodle in progress
 - Advisory Committee successful – provided report on some changes over the next few weeks
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will be meeting IS&T about the timeline of Online Reg
 - Will be meeting Career Office on mentoring

UA Chief of Staff (Alexandra Jordan)

- Will Accomplish:
 - Scheduling dinners with student representatives to establish first contact
 - Installing outlets on the 4th floor within 3 weeks
 - Continuing to fill vacancies on committees

UA Treasurer (Ellen McIsaac)

- Accomplished:
 - Student-Faculty Dinners opened – reimbursements will begin follow
- Will Accomplish:
 - Looking into systems to make reimbursements easier for students and SAO
 - Organizing contracts with most-used restaurants
 - Creating medium-events fund

UA Secretary-General (Alec Lai)

- Accomplished:
 - Took minutes for 42 U.A.S. 2 and 42 U.A.E. 3. Revised and posted 42 U.A.E. 3, working on U.A.S.
 - Compiled Committee Updates for Exec
 - Created attendance documents for Senate and Exec that will be updated periodically with number of unexcused absences
 - Sent a UA Updates and Answers
 - Appointed Assistant Secretary-General
- Will Accomplish:
 - Work with Committee on Communications and attend their first meeting
 - Waiting for confirmations from dorms with October Exec meetings
 - Still brainstorming for the UA Booth in conjunction with Committee on Communications
 - Brainstorming for 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

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

- Accomplished:
 - 42 UAS 2 and a workshop on negotiation by Tom Kochan
 - Held open discussion changes to Athena printing
 - Approved 42 UAS 2.1 – Bill to Reutilize the Former Game Room Based on Student Opinion
 - Planned the logistics of the UA Retreat
- Will Accomplish:
 - UA Retreat
 - Senate mentorship program kick-off

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

- No updates were sent.

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

- No updates were sent.

Chair of the Committee on Athletics (Riley Brandt)

- Accomplished:
 - Met with SAAC to discuss promotion partnerships
 - Met with Athletics director Julie Soriero to discuss goals for the year and to address several student concerns
- Will Accomplish:
 - Create a forum for students to talk directly to Julie and DAPER with complaints and concerns
 - Begin follow-up Athletics Report outlining student Athlete needs to DAPER in light of enrollment increases

Chair of the Committee on Communications (Janet Li)

- Accomplished:
 - Scheduled first meeting
 - Will have more updates after first meeting.
- Will Accomplish:
 - First meeting on Wednesday.

Chair of the Committee on Dining (Paula Trepman)

- Accomplished:
 - Had its first meeting and discussed raising awareness of the dining plan
 - Brainstormed additional projects, such as Pritchett and Lobdell and getting new locations to accept TechCash

Chair of the Committee on History (Adam Bockelie)

- Accomplished:
 - Finished Exec bylaws
- Will Accomplish:
 - Working on new election code
 - Archiving UA membership
 - Tagging old legislation and reports

Chair of the Committee on Housing (Daniel Hawkins)

- Accomplished:
 - Met with Carol Roque, Phoenix Group president, to discuss the future of W1
 - Met with Becky Kjaerbye, Phoenix Group RLA, to discuss the future of W1
 - Requested meeting with MIT Disability Services to discuss increase in enrollment and impact

Chair of the Committee on Nominations (Sammi Wyman)

- See UA Chief of Staff for updates.

Chair of the Committee on Space Planning (Vacant)

- Currently vacant – updates excused.

Chair of the Committee on Student Life (Richard Dahan)

- Accomplished:
 - Conducted interviews and met with formed “sub-committees,” each with an individual project
 - Met with PLUS admins (Paul Spangle and Alicia Erwin of SAO and Dan Chapman of UAAP) and further refined PLUS with longer orientations
 - Looked into Costco/Target shuttles, Athena/printing, tax support, Go Cross Campus, community service, community building, and Stata plugs
 - Planned Wellness Events
 - Explored Student Life enrollment questions
- Will Accomplish:
 - Finalize PLUS program and send out an application to mentors
 - Determine plans for Fall Wellness and Go Cross Campus
 - Compile a full list of possibilities for community events
 - Determine the feasibility of Stata plugs and Costco/Target shuttles
 - Division of labor for enrollment topics
 - Gather input for more Student Life projects

Chair of the Committee on Sustainability (Raimundo Krishna Esteva)

- Accomplished:
 - Finalized 13 member committee with first meeting Tuesday night
 - Contacted Dick Amster, Jarrod Jones, and Dennis Collins about projects
 - Sent an update
- Will Accomplish:
 - Meet with Dick Amster and Dennis Collins
 - Finalize projects and take first steps in completing them
 - Contact Rich Berlin to get composting language in RFP

Chair of the Events Committee (Christine Chen)

- Accomplished:
 - Sold 400 Fall Festival tickets
 - Meet and Greet by Bo after the show
 - Taped off parts of Kresge so it looked full
- Will Accomplish:
 - Committee interviews and will decide on a Vice Chair
 - Post Mortem on Fall Festival

Chair of the Finance Board (Cynthia Boulrick)

- Accomplished:
 - Summer/Fall 2010 Appeals have been approved and are posted.
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will send out emails to student groups.

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

- No updates were sent.