

UA Exec and Committee Updates

February 23, 2011

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

- Accomplished:
 - Joint-Letter on Status of Orientation Changes
 - Meeting on Walker Memorial Renovations with Associate Provost
- Will Accomplish:
 - Task Force on Student Engagement meeting
 - Meetings to discuss Faculty Newsletter article

UA Chief of Staff (Alexandra Jordan)

- Accomplished:
 - Scheduled CRD Reps for forum at Senate
- Will Accomplish:
 - Nominations to several committees, including SLOPE, Orientation Committee, Walk the Talk Task Force, and others
 - Removal of students from Institute Committees
 - Preparation for Task Force on Student Engagement

UA Treasurer (Anika Gupta)

- Accomplished:
 - Residual reimbursements from Fall Semester
 - Preparing for kickoff of student faculty dinners for spring
- Will Accomplish:
 - Begin reimbursements for spring, follow up on payments to the UA

UA Secretary-General (Alec Lai)

- Accomplished:
 - Took minutes for 42 U.A.E. 14 (approval of 12-14 soon)
 - Took minutes for 42 U.A.S. 10 (approval of minutes for 9 postponed)
 - Updated attendance sheet for Exec and Senate
 - Compiled Exec Updates
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will take minutes for 42 U.A.E. 15 and conduct normal procedure
 - Will finish work on attendance and send out relevant emails
 - Will finish Newsletter 7
 - 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

Speaker and Vice Speaker of the Senate (Jonté Craighead and Vacant)

- No Senate meeting this week.

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

- No update submitted.

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

- Accomplished:
 - Organized Kaplan Practice Tests
 - Followed up on Star Market Shuttle and Catering
 - Maintained TJ Shuttle with MIT Transportation
 - Sent Princeton Invoice for classes held at MIT
- Will Accomplish:
 - Finalize plans with Flour
 - Follow up on MIT Business Cards for Students

Chair of the Committee on Alumni Relations (Ashley Nash)

- No update submitted.

Chair of the Committee on Athletics (Michael Walsh)

- Accomplished:
 - Talked with some teams about buses and shirts. Mostly excited.
- Will Accomplish:
 - Talking with Julie Soriero about plans
 - Begin planning the event by having a brainstorming meeting

Chair of the Committee on Dining (Vacant)

- Vacant – no update submitted.

Chair of the Committee on History (Adam Bockelie)

- Will Accomplish:
 - Will send info management summary Saturday
 - Will update governing docs by Saturday
 - Will send walker community meeting notes Saturday

Chair of the Committee on Housing (Daniel Hawkins)

- No update submitted.

Chair of the Committee on Nominations (Alexandra Jordan)

- See UA Chief of Staff for updates.

Chair of the Committee on Space Planning (Will Steadman)

- Accomplished:
 - Met with Phil Walsh. We talked about Walker Memorial as well as Briggs field project.
- Will Accomplish:
 - I have a meeting with Janet Sonenberg on Walker Memorial. Meeting with Dean Colombo on enrollment. Meeting with Dennis Collins on Briggs Field.

- Next meeting of Space Planning is next Wednesday at 9pm. Get updates from people and give new tasks.
- Also get more feedback from student groups on Walker.

Chair of the Committee on Student Life (Richard Dahan)

- Accomplished:
 - Talked with admins about cooking class.
 - Finished 1st Rate Your Driver Report; developed advertisement for program.
 - PLUS meeting (tonight).
 - Reached out to Wellness Week groups.
- Will Accomplish:
 - Wellness Week: meet with participating groups; determine schedule for the week; make Kresge reservations; reach out to community sponsors.
 - Weekend Boston Daytime: get usage data for first 4 weeks, and meet with others (IFC, GSC, etc.) to change route accordingly after this "trial within a trial."
 - PLUS: individual mentee/mentor meetings as necessary.
 - Finish report for Phil Walsh regarding water fountain and outlets.
 - Cooking: simultaneously develop professional and student-led versions of the program, and determine funding feasibility from admins.

Chair of the Committee on Sustainability (Alix de Monts)

- No update submitted.

Chair of the Events Committee (Christine Chen)

- Accomplished:
 - Publicity meeting to map out game plan
 - Full committee meeting this week
- Will Accomplish:
 - Announce artists & ticketing site

Chair of the Finance Board (Vacant)

- Vacant – no update submitted.

Chair of the Public Relations Committee (Janet Li)

- Accomplished:
 - Ran successful first Midnight Study Break of the semester
 - Designed and put up new poster for UA bulletin board in the Infinite publicizing upcoming elections
- Will Accomplish:
 - Will run first UA booth of the semester on Friday
 - Will update people on UA website
 - Will continue to hold senators accountable for communicating with their constituents
 - Will discuss with committee the possibility of displaying photos of each senator in his/her dorm

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

- Accomplished:
 - Interviewed (and added to committee) 3 new members.
 - Divided members into projects.
 - Met with chair of faculty to discuss grading policies, violations concerning class scheduling (classes from 5 to 7pm) and guidelines from students to professors.
 - Made first draft of TA system survey.
- Will Accomplish:
 - Finalize TA survey, figure out incentives for students to increase survey response, and send out to undergrads.
 - Get guidelines from students to professors on senate agenda.
 - Start preparing prelim guidelines for professors with committee (to be discussed in senate)
 - Send out e-mail to undergrads to check syllabus and report term violations.
 - Talk to chief of staff about collaboration with institute committee reps on survey on interdisciplinary majors.

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

- Accomplished:
 - Met
 - Drafted blog post
 - Submitted newsletter post
 - Planned strategy to reach more students for feedback
- Will Accomplish:
 - Implement strategy to reach more students for feedback