

UA Exec  
October 24, 2012

### Updates

- Almost time for celebration
  - This is the last week of our first quarter
  - Week of Nov 1, have your check in meeting with Jonté or Michael – whoever you *don't* normally meet with
  - Come with performance objectives
  - Be mindful of participation, which includes attendance
  - Scores will be assigned and presented to Council
- Recruitment
  - In our presentation to Council, we will indicate our needs for more membership on our committees

### Exec Updates

- Athletics
  - Taking information from varsity team captains and coaches to learn about winter practices - turns out they all practice during the acceptable hours
- MIT2030
  - Patrick had his first committee meeting today!
  - Starting to write a report
- PR
  - Newsletter Design
  - Commercial idea for the UA brand
  - Study break tomorrow night
  - Infinite display
- Sustainability
  - Trashion show – working on publicity and sponsorship
  - Renovating building 2 – want to implement green roof initiative
- Special Projects
  - UA sponsored dinners
    - Themed dinners to talk about issues
- TSG
  - Get your content online by *next Wednesday*
  - Ua-site.mit.edu

### Advisory Questions

- How do you brand the bonfire app? Idea.mit.edu ?
  - We'll take idea.mit.edu for now
- Nominees for Quality of Life Survey
  - Ask student about support resources and how they feel on campus right now

- Deploy the survey in early spring
- Committee designing this survey needs to get started soon so we want to get nominees to Chancellor Grimson by this Friday
- You'll get a lot of experience working with the faculty, and you will gain more knowledge of the institute
- If you have sophomores in you committee that you want to see their talents utilized, this would be a great way to get them more involved
  - Send Jonté their names as soon as possible

#### Discussion: Committee Membership Policies –

- UA's definition of membership can get people to identify with the UA (including people changing committees)
  - Creates identity
  - Easier to keep track of people
- Idea: you need to come to every meeting in the fall semester, and at the end of the semester we will formally induct you in the UA with a celebration!
- Example – SWE has similar set up
  - Need to come to the five board meetings each semester
  - Go to events they don't plan
  - Plan their own events
- Are we in a position to be "picky" about members?
  - We need to get as many people in as possible
- Encourage committee members to attend UA events to create a community feeling
- Takeaway: be sensitive to the people on your committee who are participating
  - Let students know if they are meeting expectations or not
- How to get committee members to know other committee members?
  - Invite them to the study breaks
  - Exec one week– half a "hang out with the UA" event
    - Two weeks from today we will have half of Exec open to everyone in the UA
  - UA Brunches
  - Monthly Friday meet-ups

#### Newsletter

- Take a picture of your committee for the newsletter by *next Wednesday before Exec*
- Send articles to [ua-secretary@mit.edu](mailto:ua-secretary@mit.edu)
- Printing the newsletter as opposed to mailing it out
  - Could be printed and placed next to the *Tech*

