UA Exec Meeting
September 19, 12

Attendance:
Anika, Jonté, Christine, Lauren, Tim, John, Nathan, Naren, Michael, George, Stephanie, Shelia, Brendan, Ravi, Jen, Laura, Patrick, Alec, Amanda, Steven (conference call), Hal

Updates and Administrivia
• Performance Reviews
  o Weekly check-ins have begun
  o Thank you for submitting your descriptions and website content to the Google Drive
• Committee Applications and Recruitment
  o We sent out an email to undergrads
  o If you would like to have a short video made highlighting your committee, speak with Jonté
• Budget
  o Was presented to council on Tuesday
  o Will be voted upon next Tuesday at council
• Others
  o Faculty meeting today
    ▪ Students can show up, but speaking privileges are reserved for a few students (UAP, CUP chairs, etc.)
  o Michael sent out Google Calendars so you can make reservations when you need to use the office

MIT 2030 (Patrick)
• Presentation yesterday on Undergraduate View on Kendal Square presented to Faculty Task Force on MIT 2030
• Kendall is currently underutilized (parking space), non-community spaces (office buildings), high price places
• We want Kendall to be a destination for undergrads
  o Developing a sense of place and identity
  o Bidirectional connections to the MIT Campus
  o How to get there
    ▪ Kendall should be more friendly
    ▪ Students need it to be relevant
    ▪ Development should be responsible

Career Fair Holiday (Ravi)
• Background: until a few years ago, there was a Monday holiday floating around in September because there was one more day in the fall semester than the spring
Normally, there would be a Monday holiday and fall career fair would be on a Thursday
UA pushed to have the holiday put on the day of the career fair
2009 – experiment approved
2011 – career fair and holiday on Wednesday
2012 – career fair and holiday on Friday
• Can’t be Tuesday/Thursday because of balancing the number of class days
• Considerations:
  o Keeping calendar balanced
  o M/W and T/H teaching days
  o Religious holidays coinciding (Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur)
• Alternatives:
  o Have an “advising” day
  o Alternative programming for freshmen/sophomores (ex: UROP expo)
• Opinions (Open to All):
  o Have career fair on the holiday!
  o Wednesday – for the employers so they can interview on Thursday and Friday
  o Friday – for the students so they don’t have to skip classes to interview
    ▪ This could be difficult for athletes with away games on the weekend
  o We should talk to employers! (Ravi – the career fair will do that; it will just take time)

Student Center Restaurants (Nathan and Brendan)
• Dean Humphries noted last semester that students wanted some different restaurants and food options on the second floor of the student center
• He is now looking over Lobdell’s space as well as the restaurants
• He met with Brendan and Nathan to discuss what students want to see redone with the space
• They don’t want to bring in traditional places with contracts from large brand-name companies (ex Chick-Fil-A); looking for a MIT-specific restaurant
  o Bon Appetit may end up owning the space
    ▪ Eventually want to streamline it with the meal plan so students can use it as a “swipe”
• The needed student input:
  o What kind of restaurants do students want to see in the stud? Sit down? Fast food?
  o What do students want to see done with Lobdell as a student space?
• Humphries is being very pro-active about this; if we are equally pro-active, we can get this to happen by next fall
• Opinions (Open to All):
  o We want variety... don’t want Bon Appetit to own it
  o We want big name companies
Fall Festival (Cara)
- Michael Ian Black and Hannibal Buress
  - October 5
  - SAO sent out
  - $10/students; $20/non-students
  - In La Sala and not Kresge
- If you are interested in making a poster, please let us know! We need that very soon
- Need more publicity
  - We want more e-mail blasts
  - Make a Facebook event
  - Infinite display
  - Fall Festival – make it like spring weekend as a multi-day event
    - Movie on the lawn?
    - Funding student groups?

Photos (Christine)
- We’re going to be taking professional photos from the Technique
- It will go on display in the infinite
- Will happen before/after an exec meeting
- Check your e-mail and respond to the doodle for a time

Website (Stephanie)
- Ua-site.mit.edu:8080
- You can now log in
- End of next week you can put up content

Closing Remarks
- Go to inauguration!