



# UA Executive Meeting

Minutes from October 28, 2009

## 1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

## 2 Dorm Storm

Schedule

- Nov 2nd: Simmons (9-11 PM)
- Nov 3rd: Safe Ride (7-9PM), Baker (9-11 PM)
- Nov 4th: Next House (7-9 PM)
- Nov 5th: East Campus (7-9 PM)

Members of both Exec and Senate will be there. This is more than just Senators from an individual dorm or set of dorms interacting with their members.

There will be cheat sheets with all the information about what has been going on the UA and the Institute as refreshers.

There will be an email to undergrads@mit.edu.

There will be a Google Doc sign up sheet to sign up for shifts to make sure we have great participation.

## 3 Spring Budget

Needs to be approved by December 2. Committees should get their proposed spring budgets to ua-treasurer@mit.edu by next Thursday. Questions should go to ua-treasurer@mit.edu.

As you are spending money this term, you should be putting your receipts in the receipts mailbox. Talk to Alex in advance if you want to spend something that is not in your budget.

## 4 History Committee

HistComm will soon be mailing past-year Senate summaries to Senate.

HistComm is currently making priorities for future summaries and other projects for the term.



## 5 Events Committee

See Nick Pitera on Thursday, November 5 from 8-11 pm in Lobdell.

Fall Festival went well. Profits from this event will go towards the next event, ie. Spring Weekend.

## 6 Enrollment

Change from is this a good idea to we're doing this. Last faculty meeting: "We are increasing enrollment." Likely going to increase to 1100 students a year instead of 1000. It's possible that we will increase enrollment through increasing the number of transfer students.

At this stage, we should be focusing on implementations, as the decision seems to have already been made.

Don't want second class student issue with transfers, eg. no housing, no GIRs. Also, an admissions issue because we don't discriminate based on majors. Perception that they will not be as smart because they get into the department. Don't want the value of the MIT degree to be cheapened.

Now we are of the opinion that increasing enrollment will "only okay with increase given proper implementation."

SCEP is working on the current state of enrollment section of the report, and the Enrollment Committee is working on the future state section. Is anyone on Enrollment other than Paul? We should some senators on this committee.

## 7 Announcements

Student Faculty Dinners will be starting up soon. We're still working on finishing up the IT side for sign-up.

Sign up for Hockfield lunches. Tell your living group and friends to do so as well.

The Committee on Alumni Relations is happening. There is lots of interest. Adnan is currently interviewing interested students.

Midterm evaluations for committee chairs will be happening. Basically,

Career Fair Motion Nov 18 3:30-5. We've been working on this for over two years. The Career Fair could first happen on a holiday in Fall 2011. Part of the issue is most Career Fairs at other colleges are on a Friday, but we are pushing for it to be during the week. Talk to all the professors you know in attempts to get them to support this.

The DSL Visiting Committee is coming soon. They're highlighting sustainability and energy groups at MIT.

The MIT homepage is changing. It will be even harder to get spotlights on the MIT homepage.

Met with DUE Communications Person today, and we are working on getting a good list of links



for the new homepage.

Be respectful of everyone else in the UA. Think about what you say before you say it.

We will be working on committee mission statements and org-chart, as proposed over the retreat. This information should not change from year to year, and should include

- Why the committee exists
- What it does
- High level, not specific events/initiatives

History will be compiled for former ad-hoc committees.

Working on goals and visions page on the website.

## 8 Retreat

Exec did a lot of working group things and took care of a lot of action items. Committees planned what they will be doing for the month November.

We talked a lot about communications. We're working on making communications more centralized. We can improve this a lot.

## 9 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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