

## **39th Session of Undergraduate Association Senate: Special Budget Review**

When: THIS Tuesday, October 9th @ 8pm

Where: "The Senate Chambers" W20-400

### *Agenda*

#### **Welcome Remarks**

- Congratulations to members

#### **Information about UA Retreat**

- 10/20-21: Leaving on the morning of 20th
- Email Irina if you cannot attend

#### **Remarks from Undergraduate Association President and Vice President**

Martin: representing 4000 undergraduates

- Committees are going to implement the changes Senators want to make
- Overview of things already been doing
  - Tradition: Hacking, REX
  - Steve Kelch is representative to UA Exec, ambassador to Hacking Committee
  - Dining: Baker Dining's report on campus came out last term, working w/Dean to try to implement changes
  - Working with Coop to get textbook list online
  - Career Fair – looking at survey to move the event to Institute holiday
- W1: New dorm (formerly known as Ashdown) allowing undergraduate population increasing – what it means to undergrad population
- Ali, Lucia, Alice, Steve Kelch, Michael Bennie

#### **Introductions**

#### **Senate Orientation**

- Read handouts
- Responsibilities:
  - Send emails to constituents to keep informed about UA/Senate's actions
    - Senate constituency fund: \$750 this semester to inform constituents about activities: e.g. study break, mailings
    - Senate discretionary fund, UA generic fund
  - Bills
    - Irina will send out template to write bill/resolution separately
  - Semester project: Each Senator will work w/one committee to do individual project

- By next meeting, determine policy interested in & committee you will work with
    - Can take a Dean to dinner and discuss policy issues
  - Parliamentary procedure
    - Roberts rules
      - No member will speak more than 2x per discussion/per day
      - Can motion to suspend rules on that topic
      - Irina will keep queue, time limit for debates
- Meeting time
  - 1 Senators cannot make Monday at 9pm: Nanda
- UA Senate website: webmaster does not currently have access to new server, which ElectComm has access to; documents can be accessed at [web.mit.edu/kelch/Public/Senate/GoverningDocs](http://web.mit.edu/kelch/Public/Senate/GoverningDocs)
- Senate roster created
- Keep binders at home but bring to ALL meetings

**Call to Order** - 9:05pm

#### **Review of UA and Committee Budgets**

- Detailed spreadsheets have been sent out via email by Lucia Tian
- UA Subtotal: \$36,005
  - \$4-5K administrative
- Total: allowance \$13,3230
- Net goes to FinBoard Allocation board: \$103, 471
- Lucia will send out final budget from last year
- Discussion regarding Orientation and Dining committees
- Perhaps we should distinguish between events and policy committees
- Discussion closed – 9:23pm

#### **Review of Finboard Appeals and Allocations**

- Met 2 weekends ago, finish appeals and allocations (already approved)
  - Start-up groups in bold
  - Start-ups: Provisional ASA recognition
- Appeals: Already received ASA recognition
- Hans explains FinBoard allocation and appeals process
- Discussion closed – 9:33pm

#### **Closing Remarks and Reminders**

- Next time, will vote on Committee budgets (line items): review budgets for next meeting
- Reminders:
  - Fill out Career Fair survey, remind constituents to fill out survey
  - **Senate retreat:** [ua-speaker@mit.edu](mailto:ua-speaker@mit.edu) if cannot attend

- Semester projects: Review committees and decide which one you want to work on

### **New Business**

Next meeting: 2 weeks from now

- Sarah Hopp introduced: President of DormConn, ex-officio member
- Add to agenda next week: discuss where finances are going, especially with increase in student life fee

### **Adjournment – 9:39pm**

- Motion to adjourn – approved

Attendance: (bold = present)

UA Senate speaker: **Irina Shklyar**

UA President: **Martin Holmes**

UA VP: **Ali Wyne**

UA Secretary: **Alice Chiang**

UA Treasurer: **Lucia Tian**

Senate Vice Chair: **Jason Forte**

Baker Senate: Katrina Kimovec (excused) and **Dianna Cowern**

Bexley Senate: Jacob Dweck

Burton Conner Senate: **Michael Bennie** and **Riley Brandt**

East Campus Senate: **James Ostrowski** and Maggie Delano

MacGregor Senate: **Itai Turbahn** and **Nana Essilfie-Condah**

McCormick Senate: Grace Yao and **Ye Yao**

New House Senate: Erik Stafel and **Lana Awad**

Next House Senate: **Keone Hon** and **Sun Kim**

Random Senate: **Ekaterina (Kate) Kuznetsova**

Senior House Senate: **Kat Thomas**

Simmons Senate: **Gary Cao** and **Paul Baranay**

IFC Senate: Akash Chandawarkar, **Allen Lin**, **Luke Xie**, **Rajiv Nadadur**,

Fraternities: **Steven Kelch**

Sororities Senate: **Arti Virkud**

LGC Senate: Arnaldo Pereira-Diaz

Off Campus Senate: **Hans Anderson**