



42 U.A.S. 10

Summary of 42 U.A.S. 10 – February 14, 2011

After some introductory comments and a postponed nomination and election for the Vice Speaker of the Senate, Alex Jordan, the UA Chief of Staff, made some brief announcements during the Exec Update on the library visiting committee. There were some inquiries on Orientation and SLOPE that were also addressed.

Some committees provided a brief report on what they've been working on. Will Steadman, as the Chair, reported on the Committee on Space Planning which has been focusing most of its efforts on Walker Memorial. Other issues include the Student Center, late night food vendors, and LaVerde's. Then, Ashley Nash reported on the Committee on Alumni Relations. She's been working on Student-Alumni dinners and has been talking to the Alumni Association. They hope to make the alumni resources more transparent and easily accessible to the undergraduate student body.

On a more procedural note, Alex Jordan nominated more representatives to Institute Committees. There was a brief explanation on the veto of 42 U.A.S. 9.1, a bill to create an Assistant Secretary on Information Management. Then, Senate discussed the report from the Ad Hoc Committee on FinBoard Policy held over IAP. The new funding policies, bylaws, report, and 42 U.A.S. 10.1 were approved and passed by Senate. The committee was then dissolved.

42 U.A.S. 10.2 passed as a resolution to support many of the claims made in the recommendations of the 2006 UA Report on Orientation. With a unanimous roll call vote, 42 U.A.S. 10.3 passed endorsing the Faculty Newsletter article on Student Engagement written by the past five UA presidents (including Vrajesh). 42 U.A.S. 10.4, a bill to remove restrictions on Vice Speaker nominations and elections, was postponed until next week, since it revises the bylaws.

Before closing remarks, there was a brief, further discussion on REX, Orientation, and Dining, mostly updating Senate on what has happened since our last discussion. Senate decided to have a caucus that weekend to talk further about the dining program at MIT.

Respectfully submitted,

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