The Senate meeting began with guest speaker Leah Flynn, the Assistant Dean and Director for Student Leadership and Engagement Programs, giving some words on her philosophy of leadership and student engagement. She looks forward to working with students and learning MIT culture, and she hopes that we will be patient and welcoming as she transitions into MIT.

Afterwards, the Speaker summarized his meetings with Dean Colombo and Chancellor Clay on HDAG and the dining plan. The general idea was that students should be working towards the implementation of the dining plan and not as much the plan itself. They believe that choice has been adequately incorporated, and that students will be able to generally move out of the dining hall dorms if they need to. The Speaker encouraged Senators to continue obtaining feedback from their constituents.

On other notes, FinBoard allocations were approved to LSC. Allan Miramonti was confirmed as the Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Athena Printing. Also, Ashley Nash was confirmed as the Chair of the Committee on Alumni Relations. In addition, Mun Ngah Cheong was confirmed as the Vice Chair of the Committee on Student Life. 42 U.A.S. 4.1, a bill to create bylaws for the Nominations Committee, was passed, and 42 U.A.S. 4.3, a bill for minutes, was brought back on the table and passed by Senate. Also, Tyshaun Wynter was approved as a nomination for the ROTC committee. Finally, a bill on a joint survey with HDAG was discussed and committed with further discussion near the end of the meeting.

This meeting also had the midterm reviews of officers and committee chairs. These were done in closed session to respect their privacy, but generally the President and Vice President were satisfied with their progress.

Respectfully submitted,

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