

DORMCON MEETING MINUTES – December 6, 2012

Dorm	Representative	Absent
Baker	Michael Plasmeier	absent
Burton-Conner	Janille Maragh	absent
East Campus	Kelly Snyder	
MacGregor	Edward Mugica	
Masseh Hall	Regina Cho	
McCormick	Henna Jethani	
New House	Benjamin Shaibu	
Next House	Austin Brinson	
Random Hall	Jacobi Vaughn	proxy: Guarev Singh
Senior Haus	Katy Gero	
Simmons Hall	Eli Ross	absent
President	Edward Mugica	
Vice President	Janille Maragh	
Secretary	Phoebe Whitwell	
Treasurer		

1. Guest: Katie Kelley for CPW

- Dormcon gets 175 events; divided between dorms
- Event registration deadline: February 25, Prefrosh Registration Deadline: March 28, Host/Volunteer Registration: March 29, CPW: April 11-14
- “3 AM rule”: anything that ends after 3 am needs a safety plan for how prefrosh will get home
- Make sure you get safety plans for things that need them
- Barbecue policy: if you’re barbecuing not at Kresge or the dorms, you need a designated fire safety person and a barbecue permit
- Screening a movie: need to purchase the rights
- Remember to reserve the spaces, can reserve with Katie Kelley
- When you register the events you can request funding at that time
- community.mit.cpw.org, email cpw@mit.edu or Katie Kelley
- Edward: what if we’re staying somewhere all night? K: you don’t need a safety plan. E: can we get funding directly to Dormcon and divide it from there? K: Yes, that sounds fine
- Regina: Does that plan prevent residences from asking for additional funding? K: We’d have to see, would depend on the sum
- Guarev: is it possible to extend Saferide hours after 3 am? K: We’ve tried, but no.
- Alina: When does the curfew time end? K: 6 am. A: Can we drive prefrosh in our cars? K: We encourage you not to do so for liability reasons
- Katie: We want to encourage you to plan purposeful events, quality vs. quantity. This is the reason for the event cap. We get feedback from prefrosh about events that were poorly run, in the wrong place, etc.

- Katy: Can we get access to that survey data? It's hard to talk to the prefrosh. Katie: Yes. We can give you big statistics and specific comments that went to ResLife. Katy: We've never seen that data and anything would be useful.
- Katie: Their favorite events are the icebreaker welcome, the closing show, and the President's welcome, but we also have some data about dorm events.
- Regina: Do you have a ballpark about what the lump sum of money for Dormcon would be? Katie: Not right now.

2. Guest: Michael Flynn and TJ Wilkason for Bad Ideas

- Three-day weekend run over IAP, people suggest ideas that normally seem dumb or horrible and we fund them.
- There are events going on continuously throughout the weekend, including wings eating contest, power outlet Jenga, projects, etc.
- Regina: Have all the ideas been submitted and finalized? Not yet, proposals can be submitted until Dec 12.
- Total budget: \$13,000. Requesting \$2500 from Dormcon
- Bad Ideas has been growing over the past several years, we're getting participants from all over campus and a lot of ideas.
- Regina: What funding do you have right now? \$2500 from EC, \$1500-1600 from last year for sure. We're waiting to hear from the UA Council, LEF, and Weekends@MIT. We're also asking Council for the Arts, etc, for funding for specific projects which meet the requirements.
- We ask for a safety proposal as part of the budget proposal for each idea, and check that they're sufficient.
- Regina: How many proposals have you gotten? Complete proposals about 4, incomplete proposals about 25. We've also talked to people who said they will submit ideas, so we could get around 50 ideas.
- Benjamin: Which dorms have submitted ideas? Burton-Conner, Random, East Campus, Senior House, other people who might live in other dorms.

It was decided to fund Bad Ideas \$1500

3. Dorm elections

- Random, McCormick, and EC have happened. Senior House, Maseeh, MacGregor, and New House will happen soon.

4. Update on GRT survey

- Rob: Affi and I have a final-ish copy. I can email it out and get feedback.
- Edward: Has anyone talked with their housemasters and received negative responses other than me? No.

5. Open Exec positions

- Sweet Tea: I am resigning January 15 when I am no longer eligible for office. At the next Dormcon meeting after that, you will need to vote in a new JudComm chair. This is a cool position. You interpret the constitution for Dormcon and it is the commitment you make it. I have been working with the office of Student

Citizenship and working on the charter of what JudComms can do. There can be two JudComm chairs.

- Edward: We are also without a treasurer, and will need to elect a new one at the same meeting.
- Austin: And an IS&T Advisory Board chair, I have done this for a year and want to step down in February.

The next Dormcon meeting will be held in early February, at Next House.