



Meeting Agenda and Reports
Monday, October 31th, 2016

Upcoming Events / Meetings

1. CIF Application Release (Due Sunday, Nov 13, 11:59PM)
 - a. Capital Investment Fund
 - b. Every 3-5 years
2. CUIT Meeting TBD
 - a. Contact Vinay if you want to go
3. Capital Investment Fund | Saturday, 11/19 | 9AM - 3PM | Lerner West Ramp Lounge

Position Updates

1. President
 - a. Newsletter
 - b. Manhattanville Tours for Undergrads
 - c. Discussion Expectations
2. VP Finance
 - a. Project Grants
 - i. Made most October purchases, will make the rest on Wednesday
 - b. Capital Investment Fund
 - i. App is live!
 - ii. Due Sunday, November 13th at 11:59PM
3. VP Policy
 - a. Smoking
 - i. Operations recommend we push for ban in Senate
 - ii. Open to enforcement suggestions from Policy Committee
 - iii. Will communicate prospective enforcement approaches immediately
 - b. GSSC Food Pantry
 - i. Met with representatives last week and just before GBody today
 - c. Sustainability
 - i. Danielle is working with EcoReps to encourage recycling in dorms, possibly getting a dishwasher in Ferris
 - ii. Charles Harper got 48 responses on the Green Suggestion Box. We will plug this again this week
 - d. Legos!
 - i. Priscilla has drafted a sign for the coloring stations
 - ii. Sid is donating his legos from home
 - e. Puppies & Doggos
 - i. Joanna is navigating the bureaucracy
 - f. Lawns
 - i. Richa will communicate to Dean Kromm this week
 - g. CCE
 - i. Richa has finished breakdown of majors
 - ii. Nicho's survey received 37 responses. We will plug again before communicating results to CCE
 - h. Academics
 - i. CSA survey will go out in near future

- ii. Nicho & Sid will meet with Registrar this week to discuss changes to the academic schedule to reduce student stress
- 4. 2017 President
 - a. Harry Mental Health Task Force (MHTF) Recruitment
 - b. Contact Harry if you or any of your friends are interested! :)
- 5. 2019 President
 - a. Major Key Declaration 11/1/16 in Carleton Commons 11:30AM to 2PM
- 6. 2020 Vice President
 - a. Basketball Mania Meeting - Nov 3, 8:30 - 9:30 PM
 - i. ESC Volunteers needed
 - 1. Amanda
 - ii. Ideas for giveaways?
- 7. Campus Affairs Representative
 - a. Library Software Initiative
 - i. PTC Creo installed on NoCo library PCs, staff can help with 3D printing
 - ii. Eclipse IDE now up and running in 251 Engineering Terrace / Gussman Lab

Discussion Topics

1. Group Discussion Expectations (**Respectful, Inclusive, and Efficient**)
 - a. More open / prepared for additional amendments
 - b. Avoid personal language (I / You) refer to the idea
 - i. Challenge the idea, not the person
 - c. Being attentive, keep side discussions to a minimum
 - d. Don't abuse direct responses
 - e. Be prepared
 - i. Read your emails / resolutions
 - ii. Come ready with your discussion points
 - f. Don't be scared to speak out
 - i. Step up / Step back
 - g. Leave the work at the door and come with a fresh mind
 - h. If tension do arise, take a step back and keep a level head
 - i. Report up not out
 - i. Make sure to bring a fresh opinion on the speaker list
 - j. Remember who we are representing
 - k. Be kind and sensitive to other's emotions
 - l. Be critical but offer a solution
 - i. Provide concrete examples / personal experience
 - m. Be aware of the work / efforts involved in people's work
 - n. Don't settle just because it is convenient
 - i. Adhere to our mission / goal
 - ii. Do not abstain from voting unless you have a very strong conflict of interest
2. CSA Pros/Cons [quick list of things to bring to the table when we talk to them]
 - a. When you decide which major you want, it's usually your first or second year, but you don't get your major advisor until much later...
 - b. Having advisors that aren't completely familiar with the courses in your major
 - i. Getting incorrect information :/
 - c. Difficult to have to plan your courses for your college career during your first or second semester given how packed the course load is...
 - d. SSOL
 - i. Some have faculty advisors, some don't
 - e. System between advisors and bulletin
 - i. Hopefully the bulletin is updated every year
 - f. There is a variation between the level of workload of each advisor

- i. Some advisors advise a bunch of majors, some advisors only have to advise for one major
 - g. Having advisors being aware of the workload of each course
 - h. DAR is not updated. Get rid of it or update it
 - i. Advisor sent email checking up on student who was from an area that was hit by a natural disaster
- 3. GSSC Food Pantry
 - a. May 2016
 - b. Provide food for those who have food insecurity
 - c. They can reach out to GSSC and they can figure out a food donation
 - d. During finals week last semester
 - i. Physical location where individuals can come and request disbursements
 - ii. No questions, names, or any personal information gathered
 - 1. Any information received is confidential
 - e. Helps the greater Columbia community
 - f. Numbers
 - i. Limited amount of data to work with
 - ii. 80% of students were GS
 - iii. 20% were from other schools
 - iv. 65 individuals have requested food disbursements not including food donation
 - v. Spent \$1000 on food during finals
 - g. **Proposal:**
 - i. 3% contribution from each of the schools based off of their discretionary funds
 - ii. Includes who gets to sit on the board and would be a partnership not just a co-sponsorship

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