



Meeting Agenda and Reports  
Monday, March 27th, 2017

**Upcoming Events / Meetings**

1. LGBTQ and Student of Color Space 3/30 9:00AM
2. CU Website focus group 3/30 12:30-2:30PM

**Position Updates**

1. President
  - a. Conduct during discussions
    - i. It's okay to disagree, encouraged even
    - ii. It's not okay to be disrespectful, make mean-spirited comments, act condescendingly
    - iii. Be mindful of body language and non-verbal communication
  - b. Mandatory TA training for all new TAs
    - i. In collaboration with EGSC's Mohammed Shaik
    - ii. In collaboration with Mark Phillipson (Director of Graduate Student Programs and Services at the Columbia Center for Teaching and Learning)
2. VP Policy
  - a. Various Reports Authored by the Committee over Spring Break & in Past Week
    - i. [3-2 Experience Report](#) (Priscilla)
      1. On website
      2. Had meeting with Deans Kachani & Boyce about this
      3. Exciting changes on the horizon for 3-2 students
    - ii. [Midterm Exam Schedule Report](#) (Izzet)
      1. Not yet on website, but will be shortly (it's finalized)
      2. Discussion & resolution at end of meeting
    - iii. [Leave of Absence Policy Report / Proposal](#)
      1. Drafted, but **not yet public**
      2. Working out details with CCSC
      3. Would love feedback from members of ESC
    - iv. As a reminder, all reports can be found at <http://www.columbiaesc.com/policy/>
  - b. Other updates
    - i. COÖP meeting in near future with Dean Kromm
      1. Essentially, we want to see all SEAS students participating by 2027
    - ii. GS Swipe Access discussion will be revisited next week when Yona Kornsgold (GSSC) returns from out of town.
      1. We'll discuss and vote then.\
    - iii. Greenfest on April 14th (Danielle needs volunteers & activity idea)
    - iv. COI (Vinay)

1. All updates are off the record (sorry)
  - v. Revamp to Club Refuel (Tyler)
  - vi. Major Streamlining w/ CCE (Richa)
- c. My course evaluations
  - i. If you want to give me/my committee feedback, please do so [here](#) by next week ([http://bit.ly/Perkins\\_Eval](http://bit.ly/Perkins_Eval)).
3. VP Finance
  - a. President's & Provost's Fund
    - i. Met last Thursday to grant \$14,000 to undergraduate student organizations and \$14,000 to graduate groups, for a total of \$28,000
    - ii. Most groups that applied received at least a portion of their requested funding
    - iii. Final amounts awarded will be sent out later tonight or tomorrow
  - b. JCCC
    - i. FLIP: GEN Day - \$1880 (\$300.80 ESC) total for food, AV equipment, and shirts
4. VP Communication
  - a. FB Project
    - i. Will post to groups this weekend
  - b. Peer Advising
    - i. Emailed students who will be peer advisors
    - ii. Posting to FB with instructions for how to contact them
    - iii. Have 2020 and 2019 president's email their students about it
5. VP Student Life
  - a. Earth Day Event (!!)
  - i. Working with either parks or schools in Morningside Heights
  - b. Water Pong Tournament
    - i. Cohosted with CCSC
6. Tech Rep (Academic Affairs)
  - a. COI Meeting (off the record)
7. Senator
  - a. Exam Rescheduling Policy [Resolution](#)
  - b. Exam Rescheduling Policy [Report](#)
  - c. Meeting Scheduled with Dean Morrison and Dean Plaa
8. Class of 2019 Rep/Comms
  - a. Wikithon has been postponed, possibility of redoing entire website

### Discussion Topics

1. Topic Name (your name) (number of minutes requested)
2. [ABC Re-chair](#) (Neha) (12: 5-5-2)
3. COI Meeting Feedback (Off the record) (Nicho/Vinay) (10: 2-8, context-discussion)
4. Exam Rescheduling Policy [Resolution](#) (Izzet) (10 minutes)

### For any FB Blasting, please put all links here with your name

- Wellness Mini-Grants. Share blurb via newsletters and onto class pages.
  - The Office of University Life is pleased announce Mini-Grants for Student Organizations, part of Wellness Days @Columbia. Wellness Days are a joint

effort of students, faculty and staff, and are part of an ongoing focus on mental health, wellness and community citizenship at Columbia. Starting April 10, there will be multiple opportunities for you to engage in Wellness Days @Columbia: hear a featured speaker on mental health issues; attend a workshop on how to support your friends; participate in free athletics events throughout the week; and join for yoga and fun on the South Lawn with Stressbusters, games and more on Thursday, April 13. Wellness Days @Columbia will continue with a walk for suicide prevention on Saturday, April 15. More information about all these activities and other Wellness Days @Columbia projects is forthcoming. In addition to the programs listed above, University Life invites students organizations to host their own events for Wellness Days @Columbia. And to that end, encourage organizations to apply for a mini-grant. The link for the application, which is short, quick and easy, is [here](#). Please note: deadline to apply is April 3, 2017. <https://goo.gl/forms/bf5idCh01cjmGBIY2>.

- Blast Bacchanal ticket information in class pages (PDF with information sent out in email earlier; relevant dates are listed below)
  - Ticket Release Dates:
    - Friday March 31st 11:30 a.m. (500 tickets)
    - Saturday April 1st 11:30 a.m. (1,000 tickets)
    - Monday April 3rd 8:00 p.m. (1,000 tickets)
    - Tuesday April 4th 2:30 p.m. (1,000 tickets)
    - Wednesday April 5th 8:00 a.m. (1,500 tickets)
- Invite people to like the [ESC fb page](#) (Neha)