August House Meeting

Tuesday, August 12, 2014
Agenda

• Trustee nomination
• Trustee voting
• New MIT policies
• Orientation
• SP service announcements
• Service awards and shout-outs
• Upcoming events
• Open floor
• Dessert
Trustee Nomination

• Role of Trustees
  – Serve as advisors to SPEC and the House Council
  – Administer elections
  – Ensure adherence to the SP Constitution
  – Resolve formal complaints, i.e., discipline

• Nomination today

• Voting in September
  – Confirmed with 2/3 vote of House Council
Trustee Nominee: Steven Chang

- Has lived in SP for 4 years
- Past involvement in the community:
  - Newsletter chair 2011-2012 (service award)
  - Publicity chair 2012-2013
  - VP of Info 2013-2014
  - Active participant and volunteer at SP events
Trustee Nominee: Rachael Harding

- Nominated in July, voting today!
- Has lived in SP for 3 years
- Past involvement in the community:
  - Hall councilor for 4N 2012-2013 (Service award)
  - Chair of the Halls 2013-2014
  - Active volunteer and participant at SP events
Trustee Voting

• Secret ballot
• Hall councilors have a special ballot
• Mark the box to vote for confirming the nominee; leave the box blank to vote against confirmation
Voting Members

● Each voting position has 1 vote (i.e. 1 ballot), regardless of the number of co-chairs
● HCs have 1 ballot, but their vote counts double
● Voting positions are:
  ○ President, CoSI, environment, outreach
  ○ VP of resources, AV, aquarium, arts, bikes, controller, inventory, IT, music, plants
  ○ VP of reslife, athletics, brunch, coffee hour, cultural, orientation, outing, social
  ○ VP of info, newsletter, photofile, publicity, SPTV, web
  ○ Chair of the halls, hall councilors
New MIT Policies: Online Event Registration

- Replaces previous forms
- Go to atlas.mit.edu/atlas/app/events
New MIT Policies: BBQ Event Requirements

- No change if using permanent grills in dorms or Kresge (unless it’s a department event)
- For other grills, Cambridge now requires
  - Registration with EHS
  - Registration with grounds for water hose connection
  - Designated fire-watch volunteer
- More information: [http://ehs.mit.edu/site/content/barbecue-safety-guidelines](http://ehs.mit.edu/site/content/barbecue-safety-guidelines)
Orientation: Logo
## Orientation: Volunteer!

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Orientation: Event Planning

- Event registration if necessary
  - MIT
  - House manager team
- Publicity
  - SP publicity interface
  - Interest groups
- Funding?
  - Budgeted events: please do NOT overspend!
  - Non-budgeted: talk to SPEC
SP Service: Costco Card!

• Available to all SP residents

• Check out at the front desk

• Check-out time: 4 hours
SP Service: Hammocks are back!
SP Service: Bike Tagging

- Bikes in both bike rooms have been tagged.
- Any bikes still tagged on August 28th will be auctioned off at the SP Bike Auction in September.
- Contact our bike chair Francisco Unda for further information.
Service Awards

Steve Levine
Publicity Chair
• Designing new resident gift logo
• Producing giant posters for lobby

Jeff Liu
Publicity Chair
• Covered for two co-chairs on leave
• Elevated aesthetic standards for posters at SP
Service Shout-Outs

• James Pelletier

For his help in planning, registering, shopping for, grilling, baking, and cleaning till the end in the Giant BBQ Bonanza!
Service Shout-Outs

- Vadim Smolyakov & Marianna Sofman

For their roles in getting SP’s summer students to participate in a series of fun outings
Upcoming Events

- August 17th (12pm-1pm): August Brunch
- August 17th (3pm-4:30pm): SP Halls of Fame
- August 20th (9pm-10pm): Coffee Hour

--- Orientation ---

- August 18th-25th: Welcome Desk
- August 24th and 31st: Early bird Welcome Party
- August 29th (9pm-1 am): Dance Party
- September 1st (5pm-9pm): BBQ
- September 6th (2pm-6pm): Olympics
- September 7th (8am-3pm): Brunch
- September 7th (6pm-9pm): Hall Warming Parties
- September 8th (5pm-9pm): Laser Tag
- September 13th(8pm-10pm): Open Doors Night
Open Floor
dessert time!