February House Meeting

Tues. Feb. 10, 2015

Please sign in so we know who was here. Thanks!
Agenda

• New room reservation system
• SP constitution amendments
• Spring budget
• Service shoutouts and awards
• New officer
• Upcoming events
• Open floor
• Dessert
New Room Reservation System

SP Room Reservation

View room reservations

Seminar room 9
Owu room 8
Music room 0

My reservations

You have no reservations

s-p.mit.edu/reserve
Sidney Pacific
HVAC Bylaw Changes
Proposed Changes

Summary Document:
SP House Government, 2015-2016

What’s different?
- fewer residents
- smaller house government (~40 vs. 58)

What’s similar?
- SP traditions and programs: brunch, coffee hour, hall councilor events, lectures, events open to all MIT grad students
Timeline of Bylaw Changes

January: Introduce bylaw amendments

February: Vote on changes (2/3 majority) of House Council (quorum needed)
Election Timing (permanent)

- earlier SPEC elections (end of March instead of beginning of April)
  - increase recruitment time
  - housing lottery deadlines have been historically getting earlier

- “Elections should take place no sooner than two weeks after the March House Meeting.”
Athletics, Arts, Music (permanent)

Athletics: move from Residential Life to Resources

Arts: move from Resources to Residential Life
House Government Committees

President: Environment, CoSI (2), Community Service

Resources: AV, Aquarium/Plants, Athletics/Bikes, Inventory, IT, Controllers (2)

Residential Life: Brunch (2), Coffee Hour (2), Cultural/SPICE Chair, Orientation/Social Chair, Outing/Interest Groups Chair

Information: Photofile (2), Web/SPTV (3), Publicity (2)
Hall Council Composition and Elections

5 hall councilors:
- Phase I: Floors 1+2, 3+4, 5+6, 7+8 Blue, 8 Orange+9
- Phase II: Floors 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
- 3 votes/HC instead of 2 votes/HC

Hall Council Election:
- Spring 2015 halls will elect their respective hall councilors
Voting on House Council

Current:
- 12 hall councilors (24 votes)
- 24 voting committee chairs

Proposed:
- 5 hall councilors (15 votes)
- 17 voting committee chairs
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
Spring Budget 2015

• Caucus/discuss for 5~10 minutes
  – 99 Budget Requests for the Spring
  – Total requests: $62,696 (up 6.8% from 2014)
  – Allocated: $60,248

• Question period

• Vote!
Service Awards:
James Pelletier
5-North Hall Councilor

- For great work building community, serving as interim 9th floor hall councilor, and volunteering to organize Open Doors Night.
Service Awards:

Daniel Whisman
Resident-at-Large

- For substituting in for Resident Life Officers (Brunch & Coffee Hour) while they were away in January
Officer Announcement

Daniel Whisman
Brunch Co-Chair
WANTED

Have an opening for:

Please spread the word!

REWARD
Upcoming Events

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- [Feb. 11] (7 PM): HVAC town hall meeting
- [Feb. 13] (7 PM): Wine and Chocolate
- [Feb. 15] (8 PM): Open Doors Night
- [Feb. 19] IceSkating
- [Feb. 22] (12 PM): February Brunch
- [Feb. 22] (7 PM): Oscars Viewing Party

------------------------------- March -----------------------------

- [Mar. 3] (?7? PM): Recruitment Dinner
- [Mar. 5] (?7? PM):
- [Mar. 8] Info Session
- [Mar. 7] Wine and Cheese
- [Mar. 8] Video Games and Bubble Tea
- [Mar. 14] (7 PM): Pi Day Event
- [Mar. 8] (12 PM): March Brunch
Open Floor
Dessert!

Remember to sign in!