AHEC Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, November 9th, 2022, 8:30pm @ Crafts lounge

Attendees:

Katie

Akhilan

Amogh

Xiaowei

Deirdre

Yanina

Kim

Minutes: Xiaowei

[Update] Report back from any outside meetings

* HCA meeting happened today; people from HRS today; discussion about virtual tour to each dorm to talk about the internal lottery at each dorm;
* People from Westgate and Tang Hall wondering if other dorms can provide common space for them to hold events
* Discussion about officer incentives; still ongoing

[Update] Suggestion box

* Complaints about thin walls in Ashdown; who to contact for noise complaints; HoH, or MIT police if it’s needed late at night
* Overheating issues; Naomi and Rich will be dropping around different dorms to talk to residents; we should encourage residents to raise these concerns when they are here so housing realize the scale of the problem; Dec 14th 9:30 am (?)
* What would be our goal? We want to have a more responsive system in controlling AC/heating so people can have AC in the warm days after heating is on. Or, potentially, we can get AC/heating control in individual rooms
* We will try to put together a task force to address this issue

[Update] HoH Thanksgiving dinner

* Adam will send out the announcement; The Tuesday (Nov 22nd) before thanksgiving
* Yanina will ask floor officers to collect $5 per person for their floor who wants to attend the dinner. Also they need to be around at the dinner to help check people in.

[Update] GSEG App

* We haven’t gotten any interest from officers, so we will probably not submit application
* Events is holding planning meeting soon to discuss GSC and LEF funding application

[Update] Ongoing items

* Front desk system
  + Xiaowei will go check with Marouane about the new system Housing is trying to implement
* Mailing list migration
  + Xiaowei will talk to Maitreyi to migrate the floor mailing list from Moira to mailman
* Adaptable officer board
  + Yanina’s collecting photos
* Infrastructure issues
  + Discussed
* Publicity items
  + GSC ski trip will drop some posters
* Sustainability
  + Yanina talked to Devashish; Yanina checked with Tang Hall, they have compost bins in each room, purchased using GSC sustainability fund
  + We still have to solve the issue with people throwing trash into compost bins. Before we start handing out compost bins to people
  + Yanina and Devashish will be updating website content on sustainability
* Lobby upgrade
  + Marouane is not too keen on keeping the couch and would very much like to replace it with a shelf; people do use the couch sometimes so maybe we should replace the small table with the shelf
  + We should throw away food that are sitting in the lobby for more than 24 hours
* Room posters
  + Ignacio taking care of this
  + We will add a note on leaving trash in the trash room if people need to throw away
* Updating signage around Ashdown
  + Ignacio taking care of this
* Setting up Ashdown subscriptions to Costco, Instacart, Netflix etc.
  + Xiaowei picked up the card and semi-successfully activated the card
  + Will work on setting up subscriptions next
* Computer room renovation
  + Replaced floors and mirrors sometime soon
  + Discussed; furnitures coming in
  + Additionally will be checking about floor ovens
* Officer incentives
  + HCA meeting note above
* Expanding role of Operations chair
  + Xiaowei will check in with the new chair to talk about meeting tech&inventory officers
* Website content
  + Still waiting Communities to update
* Ashdown wiki updating
  + Reminding chairs
* Food safety training watch party
  + Akhilan scheduling…we can do it during officer social, maybe 30 min before the social

[Update] New officer hiring

* 1 person declined; another 1 still considering; 1 hasn’t responded yet
* Everybody else responded

[Update] Fun fund event

* Kim found a place reachable by Train; doing it next weekend.
* Kim will also double check with Haochen

[Update] Bike room capacity

* No update; need to tell people to be more organized in general while we work on more racks

[Update] Board game

* Amogh working on it

[Update] Officer of the month

* Yanina sent out email

[Update] MHC and GradSupport event

* Akhilan will schedule

[Update] Courtyard lights

* Removed now

[Update] "Meet your column"

* Event not happening soon

[Discussion] AHEC+chair social

* Akhilan will schedule

[Discussion] Officer social

* Akhilan will send w2m

[Discussion] New name for AHEC 2022-23

* SPIG (Sid Pac is grungy)

[Discussion] December meeting

* Akhilan won’t be around for most of Dec. Will have to zoom in.
* Xiaowei will be gone for mid Dec to mid Jan.

Presided by: Akhilan

Meeting adjourned