AHEC Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, October 4th, 2023, 8:15pm

Attendees:

Zheng

Katie

Wentao

Tzu-An

Yanina

Adam

Shakul

Minutes: Yun-Sheng

[Update] Suggestion Box/Open forum

* House tax of September is still $7, not $8: Adam has contacted Naomi
* More PS5 games: cannot reimburse games bought by residents
  + Do a survey with new games
* First-floor event: some people moved to different floors still received emails from prior floor, floor occupants outdated?
* People kept getting readded to the Ashdown mailing list after moving out

Outside meetings – ASA

* Two budget options: getting zero budget or half the requested amount
* If the money can cover outside people, then we can still have events open to outside people; otherwise, making events internal to Ashdown residents
* Traditionally, Ashdown and Sid-Pac have been a social place for graduate students, so opening to outside people would be beneficial to MIT overall
* Will survey officers about preference to open or closed to outside people

Budget report

* Funding is all time low, might need to cut coffee-hour budget from 7K
  + Actual cost of prior coffee hours is about 5K (4 months)
  + Talk to coffee hour people to see if the budget is reasonable

Outside meetings – GSC

* Nothing particular relevant to Ashdown

Outside meetings – Julie

* Some posters aren’t updated; updating posters when residents file some request
* Bike room is still waiting for Julie’s update
* Talk to event officers if they have specific requirements
* Will have weekly meeting with Julie at 10am on Tuesday

Outside meetings – TEEC

* No private events allowed, has to open to everyone
* Ask an officer to help TEEC (work taking 4 hours per month); should we spend one spot for TEEC

Outside meetings

* Dormcom
  + Undergrad is concerned if they should reach out to Dormcom or AHEC

Officer Hiring

* Everything almost ready (rooms, foods, slides)

Communities transition

* Add the new community chair to the mailing list

Officer leave calendar

* One option is to let each officer decide whether they want to use the calendar
* Push harder on usage of leave calendar

Vacuums

* Tzu-An has attached instructions to two out of the three new vacuums