

AHEC Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, February 12th, 2025, 8:00pm

Attendees:

Katie
Hyein
Victor
Ryan
Kenneth
Yanina
Deirdre

Minutes: Xin

Suggestion box: Common kitchen is dirty from the night before; want flyer on door or email the residence.

- Katie would pass the information to Julie.
- Ryan also mentioned that some people are taking up too much of the common kitchen shelf space.

Associate Heads of House interview this weekend:

- ~25 people signed up.
- Ryan would order food and keep the receipts.
- David would put the feedback form on the tables.
- Questions in survey: short and not vague. Come up with a simple set of binary questions and a part that allows people to provide more feedback. Ryan created a survey in Google Form.

Meeting about AHEC election:

- Reached out to Warehouse and other dorms where residents may move to Ashdown.
- Secured a rule that allows regular license for one year of service in AHEC.

- Discussed officer positions, responsibilities, survey for residents – what events are interesting and what prevents people from coming to events. Yanina would attract potential AHEC candidates in the lobby at 5 pm this Thursday.

More efficient AHEC meetings:

- Considered reducing the frequency to once every two weeks and using messaging for communication in between. Need to check the constitution.
- Katie suggested that instead of AHEC meeting, AHEC may host some casual gatherings that bring other residents in.
- Avoid discussing questions that do not pertain to most of the group. Kenneth suggested breaking up into smaller groups for such discussion at the end of the meeting. Katie mentioned that part of the meeting should deal with fun events and what people want to do.
- Ryan suggested following the Scrum management principles.

Outside HCA meeting:

- Improved by-laws for HCA.
- Running a graduate house life survey.
- New position for off-campus representative.

Squeaking gates: Julie had people check the all the gates. If more squeaking. Let Katie know.

Wooden board: waiting for update this week

Ashdown website:

- Victor talked to the web master, but the web master could not access the old website.
- They discussed the possibility of just retrieving the spreadsheet. Not sure how hard that would be.
- The tech team would try to work on the spreadsheet for the seniority points.
- For lottery, Ryan already had the algorithm and would make a Google Form and put it on the new website.
- For room reservation, Victor would ask the tech team in a follow-up email.

Stuff in Hulsizer room kitchen:

- Victor sent a follow-up email, but no one responded.
- Victor would go to the Coffee Hour tomorrow and talk to the officers. He would also ask some Brunch officers to join an AHEC meeting for the discussion.

AHEC election:

- need to order food for nomination. Yanina to order food on EZ Cater.
- Kenneth said the nomination dinner could be paid with the AHEC funds. The Heads of House could also chip in.

Replacement of pool table:

- Hyein talked to Wentao. Wentao was still searching for companies for the job.

Ashdown shirt design logo licensing:

- Kenneth talked to Naomi about the Ashdown shirt design with MIT logo and there might be licensing issues.
- Kenneth to email the MIT branding office for confirmation.

Bike room updates:

- Yanina mentioned that someone asked if the bikes could be removed, but it was not time yet.

Fixing the foosball table and the hockey table:

- Katie found cheap foosball figures online, so it would be easy to replace the broken ones
- Ryan mentioned that the hockey table might have accumulated dust and become noisy, and cleaning it up might help.