



GRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

8 August, 2012
August Assembly Meeting
Corwin Hall, Room 127
6:00-7:00pm

- President Chad Maisel calls meeting to order via Skype at 6:10 (quorum met with 10 representatives)
- Minutes from the July meeting approved
- We tabled the campus rec committee election/appointment for a future meeting.
- Chad discussed new student orientation suggestion that he had previously sent around:
 - Proposal is to offer small vouchers to groups of new students who are randomly assigned to meet up after signing up for the program.
 - People generally liked the proposal, Shilpa Nadimpalli suggested to have slightly larger groups (~5 instead of ~3?)
- Tim discussed housing recommendations. Recommendations were sent around before the meeting. Questions/points that came up:
 - How can we better publicize/explain hardship? Change the name?
 - Several students spoke out in favor of changing the name, for example, "Preferential Housing," "Special Priority Housing," etc. Current name is "Hardship/Special Needs" which has negative connotations
 - Agree that we should implement some sort of landlord feedback
 - Other hardship suggestion: force people to click yes or no during the housing application process
 - Invite highly rated landlords for an off-campus housing fair in February/March?
 - Next meeting with James Poole will be September 10th at 10 am
- Giri discussed the USLC, summarizing the packet sent around.
 - Alf Garcia mentioned that he is on a committee, the "Student Health Plan Advisory Council," with 2 graduate students and 2 undergrads, and wants to make sure they communicate with the USLC.
 - Tim asked for clarification on the 2/3 vote to amend the constitution. Adoption requires a majority vote, amendments 2/3 of members present at a meeting with quorum.
 - Giri presented a motion to adopt the amendments to the standing rules and the USLC charter, Tim seconded, it was adopted unanimously.
- Chad urged all assembly members to attend the September assembly meeting and

bring new members/graduate students. There will be an appreciation gift for all current assembly members!

- Chad updated various short things--we're working on the website, restaurant week, housing report, new student programming.

- Other issues:
 - Kityan Choi: shuttles to Millstone, Canal Point stop running at ~6 pm, no on-demand during the summer. How do people stay late in lab?
 - Carolann Buff: kudos to whoever started online sign-ups/reminders for SHP optional services.
 - A/C in the GC? Electrical system probably couldn't handle the load.

- 7:00 pm: Vice president Giri Parameswaran adjourned.

Attendance

- Executive Committee
 - Chad Maisel – President
 - Giri Parameswaran – Vice President
 - Katie Hansen – Academic Affairs
 - Tim Brandt – Facilities
 - Andreana Kenrick – Health and Life
- Departmental Representatives
 - Tim Brandt (AST)
 - Shilpa Nadimpali (COS)
 - Giri Parameswaran (ECO)
 - Daniell Rowles (MOL)
 - Carolann Buff (MUS)
- Academic Program Representatives
 - Kityan Choi (AOS)
 - Angelina Sylvain (NEU)
 - Beth Sully (POP)
 - Mike Campanell (PPL)
- Proxy Representatives
 - Katie Hansen (PSY)
 - Heather Kugelmass (SOC)
 - Chad Maisel (WWS)
- Housing Group Delegates
 - Mike Campanell (BUT)
- CPUC Delegates and Committee
 - Carolann Buff
 - Chad Maisel
 - Olga Lositsky
 - Angelina Sylvain
- Friends of the GSG
 - Olivia Martell (CPC)