

AHEC Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2020, 8:00pm @Zoom

Attendees:

Adam
Allison
Amanda
Andrew
Haosheng
Katie
Kruthika

Minutes: Jacqueline

[Update] Outside meetings

- GSC: meets tomorrow
- HCA: nothing
- Sustainability: meets on Thursday
- Activities: nothing

[Update] Upcoming events and budgets

- Coffee Hour: planning to hold Coffee Hour on Oct 15th; also discussing having a Halloween-themed one on Oct 29th
 - Could team up with other committees & officers for planning and helping with delivery
- Weekly Saturday game night
- RISE event coming up on Oct 17th
- Brunch: transitory period – Charlene is moving out and will step down as co-chair
 - Christina may take over position
- Communities: Wellness Officer figuring out activities; Floor Officers are having events
- Events: has stuff planned; lost one officer, down to 4
- Wine night upcoming
 - Adam to send out another email to check in

[Update] Guest policy & roommate agreement discussions

- Housing no longer removing guests for pods, but trying to merge guests & pods/bubbles
 - Designate guests in COVID Pass, 1 per day
 - AHEC would collect list of who wants to form a bubble with whom, but won't be in charge of enforcing them
 - Logistics on roommates in bubbles still haven't been fleshed out
 - Will be a lot of uncompensated work to implement
- Most HoH's dislike the bubble idea and will be meeting tomorrow morning to discuss position on guest & position on bubbles

- Bubbles: general consensus against bubbles but in favor of expanding guest policy
- Guests: Housing has marked a difference between COVID-compliant on-campus vs COVID-compliant off-campus guests and may not allow the latter
 - HoH could push to allow the later (COVID-compliant off-campus residents) as guests, or wait to see how starting small (inter-dorm guests) pans out first since currently we have no guest policy
 - General consensus for phased approach (seeing how inter-dorm guest policy pans out)
- Guests: 1 designated guest vs 1 guest at a time on a set list; still 1 per day?
 - No strong preference, just whatever would be easier to push through at this point
- Adam and Katie to advocate for guests not bubbles; phased approach with set timetable
 - Will still be time after this meeting before guest policy gets implemented; will be a meeting with grad students on Tuesday, then will get passed around a few more times after that

[Discussion] Internal lottery logistics

- Allison to get in touch with Housing about pushing lottery back a week
- Housing can send AHEC a list of empty rooms
- Moves are effective by end of the month
- Triples without kitchens won't get filled
- Can only guarantee people end up by themselves if they get an efficiency
- Don't worry about density for now; Housing will take care of it in January
 - Instead, go by algorithm and give people the most points by ranking
 - For lottery, people list all the rooms they're willing to take, ranked by preference
 - Lottery may not need to be final; in past years, AHEC has run it monthly
- Deirdre and Adam will take care of roommate troubles
- If we wait too long we might not be able to have lottery as rooms will be reallocated
- Check with Mohit about logistics
- Email residents about lottery

[Update] Debrief from alumni meeting

- General friendly chat, onboard with mailing list issue
- Meeting with Alumni association to sort out mailing list
- Will let Tech officer know about adding future alumni to new mailing list

[Update] Back-of-door flyers

- Should be in most mailboxes by now
- Let Allison know if you don't get a flyer

[Update] New door nametags

- Involved a lot of people, should be good to go now

- Front desk will arrange nametags into 5 different piles to be assembled (tag + magnet) and picked up by 5 different volunteers and stuck to doors

[Discussion] Installation of WiFi devices

- Haven't heard back
 - Adam to re-forward Amanda's email

[Update] Intersection Albany and Mass Ave

- Katie will send another email and call if she doesn't hear back

[Discussion] Outline presentation to CRS

- Amanda will present to new compliance officers on Friday about Ashdown usual culture
 - CRS asked execs to make 2 slides
- Could mention service animals, Puzzle Lounge, distributing/delivering items for events by table or to door

[Discussion] Officer of the Month

- Just 1 troll submission so far
 - Haosheng to send another reminder this week
 - If no submissions, AHEC could submit own nominations

[Discussion] Schedule of impending fire drill

- Meant to be tomorrow, but will be bumped to later this month
 - Legally, need to have a drill
- Could affect people in classes and exams since we don't have anywhere else to go
- Adam to push back on timing, maybe having it later in the evening

[Update] Suggestion box

- Shall we have internal lottery earlier to buy some time to work out logistics of moving during a pandemic? (left contact email)
 - Amanda to ask them to clarify their question, refer them to Housing
 - All communication about rooms after lottery doesn't come to AHEC

[Discussion] Stolen bike

- Bike stolen from dorm, concerning that it happened during pandemic (within the last few days) but may be caught on camera somewhere
 - Can't find out who it is, hoping that whoever did it is convinced to give it back from ashdown-talk thread
 - MIT Police has access to security footage, are currently reviewing it
- First time a bike's been stolen at Ashdown in years, very unusual and disappointing
- Could send out a PSA about locking bikes by the frame

[Update] Heat

- System is back on A/C, doesn't look like heat's been turned on

- Seems to be automatically switching; if it stays at a certain temp for three consecutive days that triggers heat or AC to switch modes

[Update] Building space questions

- Recently opened quiet spaces to work on campus
- How would you get building access through COVID Pass if you can't access labs now?
 - Amanda to ask David about access

Presided by Amanda

Meeting adjourned