GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 6, 2018

Peter Su, GSC President
Orpheus Chatzivasileiou, GSC Vice-President
Richard Zhang, GSC Secretary
Ian Tracy, GSC Treasurer
Quorum check
Approve May Minutes

• Found on GSC website and GCM announcement email
New Faces

- Welcome to General Council!
65.GSC.I: FY19 BUDGET
Bylaws regarding the Budget Meeting

The Budget is passed in the following manner:

1. Revenue and the beginning-of-year reserve represent the professional opinion of the Treasurer, and are not voted upon.

2. Each representative is given an opportunity to object to any number of line items. If no objection is raised regarding a given line item, it is approved automatically without a vote.

3. The remaining line items are approved either individually, or in groups of any size. The following rules apply:
   i. Line items may be approved at the original amount or at a lower amount, but not at a higher amount.
   ii. A majority vote is required to approve a line item individually, while a two-thirds vote is required to approve a group of line items.
Cue the Budget
BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS

Orpheus Chatzivasileiou, GSC Vice-President
Nominations Board

- Selects the nominees for institute committees
- Minimal time commitment
  - 3 meetings during summer + additional ad hoc meetings
- You’ll also get a gift for your effort

- 3 positions available
- Nominations during previous GCM:
  - Yamini, German, Sarah
- Vote this GCM
Funding Board

• Helps review applications for GSC funding for student groups (this is 40% of our budget!)
• Quarterly review cycle
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• 1 position available
• Nominations during previous GCM:
  • Sandya, Krithika (?)
• Vote this GCM
DIS RESTRUCTURING

Nas Almasri, DIS Chair
gsc-diversity@mit.edu
DIS Restructuring: Background

- GSC --> HCA --> DIS
  - First year in existence
  - Organized DCI, part of campus conversations, produced surveys
- Changes for 2018-2019
  - DIS Chair on ExComm
  - New (but experienced and enthusiastic!) Team
    - Claire Duvallet, Josue Lopez, Arthur Brown, Sarah Goodman
- Long-Term Goals
  - Promote Diversity, Equity, Inclusion in GSC functions and MIT more generally
  - Make D/I obsolete
DIS Restructuring: (Very) Preliminary Ideas

• Move from Subcommittee to Full Committee
  • Current structure made sense initially, but not sustainable

• External Relations
  • Advisory role/reps to other councils
  • Best practices for GSC events, recruitment, statements, etc.

• Internal Structure
  • Currently: C-Reps, OWOM, DCI
  • Suggestions
DIS Restructuring: Next Steps

- Working Committee will meet this summer/fall
  - Decide if External/Internal Structures make sense
  - More carefully detail OWOM/DCI/C-Reps roles
  - Proposal at GCM
- Other concerns
  - Membership/Voting rules (depends on structure)
  - Connections between GSC and DCI reps
  - Connections between DIS initiatives and depts/schools
- Discussion Questions
  - Better ways to represent students than through depts, “affinity” groups?
  - Other tasks/activities DIS should take on? (Keep high-level)
OPEN POSITIONS
Nominations Board

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OFFICER UPDATES
PD Working Group Survey

- The Office of Vice Chancellor is commissioning a Professional Development Working Group to survey the existing landscape of PD at MIT
- All reps have been requested to fill out a survey
- We have received some surveys back (THANK YOU!) but not all
- You will be receiving reminders in the next few days
- Thanks for your help!
Apply for an Institute Committee Position!

• Many important decisions at MIT are made by committees, councils, and working groups made up of faculty, staff, and students.

• Many aspects of life and work at MIT are covered, including wellness, health & safety, medical services, intellectual property, and diversity.

• Learn how MIT works, interact with faculty and MIT administrators as equals, share your perspective, gain leadership experience, and make a difference.
Apply for an Institute Committee Position!

- Sample committees:
  - Presidential Advisory Committee
  - Faculty Policy Committee
  - Committee on Graduate Programs
  - Medical Consumers’ Advisory Council

- Find the full list here:
  - [http://gsc.mit.edu/representatives/list-of-institute-committees/](http://gsc.mit.edu/representatives/list-of-institute-committees/)

- Apply here:
  - [https://gsc.mit.edu/representatives/become-an-institute-representative/](https://gsc.mit.edu/representatives/become-an-institute-representative/)
Council Rep Funding

- **Apply for your funding!**
- Available to all Council members except those who are members by virtue of their GSC position
  - i.e. Everyone but committee/board and some subcommittee chairs
- $150/rep/term or $250/rep/term with GSC or Institute committee involvement
  - Spring: Feb 16–Oct 15, Fall: Oct 16–Feb 15
- Double your $150 if you collaborate with a rep outside your department
- Events/items must be accessible to entire constituency
- Program info: [http://gsc.mit.edu/funding/departmental-funding](http://gsc.mit.edu/funding/departmental-funding)
- Application: [http://mitgscapp.knack.com/funding#applications/councilrepfund/](http://mitgscapp.knack.com/funding#applications/councilrepfund/)
- Questions? Email [gsc-vp@mit.edu](mailto:gsc-vp@mit.edu)
ExComm Positions

- 2 Orientation Chairs
- 1 Activities Chair
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<th>Line Item Name</th>
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<td>ARC Committee Meetings</td>
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<td><strong>Panels/speaker series ~$2k, Alumni Leadership Conference ~$2,500, Growing Up in Science ~$2.5k, Professional Development outreach ~$1,400</strong></td>
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<td><strong>12 events with 20 participants per event, $6.50 per person for food and drinks. Monthly dinner during the board meeting to attract and enable new visiting students to meet the VISTA community. Sports Day ($1200), VISTA Core Events ($2100), Seasonal Events ($2400)</strong></td>
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ARC Updates

Summer Events-
- Academia/Post-Doc panels (1 each)
  - Tentative date for Academia Panel 7/18/2018
- Prof-on-Tap (at least 1 during Summer)
- Growing-Up in Science
  - Target for First event of Fall 2018 in September
  - Currently working on revamping
- GSC Travel Grant
  - Current cycle on track, no delay so far
- Collaboration with VISTA
  - Update on FAIL! Event
ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Xueying Zhao and [THIS COULD BE YOU!]
Co-Chairs
gsc-ac@mit.edu
Last Coffee Hour 5/14

• Kung Fu Tea delivery was delayed by an hour
• We’re looking for a coffee hour chair!
• Less frequent next semester
Acoustic BBQ

Volunteers helped with moving the sound equipment and serving.
Escape the Room

- Last Saturday (5/26)
- 1pm Drunk Tank: Escaped!
- 1pm Crush Depth: Escaped!
- 1:20pm The Hustler: 0 tickets sold 😞
- 1:40pm The Retreat: Unknown
Upcoming Events
Paint Night @ Thirsty Ear: July 11, ticket price tbd
Harbor Island Trip/whale watching: July 28
Six Flags Trip: August 11 or 18
ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Kelsey Becker
ASA President
gsc-asa@mit.edu
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS BOARD

Katie Shulenberger
External Affairs Board
gsc-eab@mit.edu
May Updates

• Meeting with Kate Stoll (MIT Washington Office)
• Collaborated with MITVote2018 for some kickoff events
• All subcommittee recommendations made (still missing events chairs)
• Elected one at large member (Welcome Lisa!)
  • Still looking for two more at large members to be elected at any ExComm meeting
• Begun working on a statement on recent EPA regulations
For this Year

• Work to improve NAGPS LAD programming
• Couple advocacy efforts and outreach/recruiting with the coming election
• Work to improve ties with diverse student groups on campus
• Improve ties with other universities to coordinate advocacy efforts
• Establish Advocacy 101 as an annual program
MUDDY CHARLES PUB

Matthias Ginterseder
gsc-muddy@mit.edu
Last Month’s Recap

Celebrated Muddy’s 50th anniversary at Spring Pub Night (5/24)

Grad Gift & Muddy
Spring Pub Night:
Celebrating 50 years
of the Muddy!

Thursday, May 24th from 6:00 – 8:00 pm
The Muddy Wants You!

Host a Muddy Mondays with us murky-activities@mit.edu

Join and Run a small company! **Come to our next meeting next Monday (6/11)!**
ORIENTATION COMMITTEE

[NEEDS 2 CO-CHAIRS!]
Co-Chairs

gsc-oc@mit.edu
OPEN FLOOR