



Graduate Student Council of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

General Council Meeting Agenda

July 11, 5:30 PM in 6-120

1. Introduction, Dinner, New Faces (5:30 – 5:40 PM)
 - a. Quorum Check
 - i. We don't have quorum but we aren't voting anyway so yeah...
 - b. Approval of June GCM Minutes
 - i. Passed (without quorum)
2. Orientation Recruitment (5:40 – 5:55 PM)
 - a. We are looking for two co-chairs, a treasurer, a ticket coordinator, a merchandising coordinator, and event coordinators
 - b. Do we have anyone here who's willing to help out?
 - c. We desperately need someone to help out
 - d. Somesh is ready to commit
 - e. Juju Wang (jujzwang@mit.edu): interested in merchandising
 - f. Liam Comidy (comidy@mit.edu): events
 - g. Somesh Mohapatra (someshm@mit.edu): chair
 - h. Srinivasa (Aditya) Bhattaru (sbhattar@mit.edu): treasurer
 - i. Thomas??? Wants to talk
3. Open Floor and Q&A with the Officers (5:55 – 6:05 PM)
 - a. No one asks anything
4. GSC Statement Approval Process (6:05 – 6:20 PM)
 - a. Concern: why would any statement go to Council if individual committees have the power to pass statements?
 - b. Katie: this is not a reduction of Council's power
 - c. Orpheus: you can modify specific points instead of the whole thing
 - d. Committees will have to pass their policy platforms in order to pass statements
 - e. Committee chairs and members of committee have dissenting opinions. Answer: the dissented party will talk to officers about it.
5. Officer Updates (6:20 – 6:30 PM)
 - a. Open positions: orientation chairs and IAC chair
 - b. Every rep has money (\$150 every term)

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c. Institute Committee positions

d.

6. Committee Updates (6:30 – 6:55 PM)

a. ARC

- i. July 15: Panel discussion, acad job search
- ii. August: Panel on finding postdocs
- iii. Profs on Tap: Free food & free beer
- iv. GSC Travel Grant
- v. VISTA

b. AC

- i. GSC Paint Night: high satisfaction rate
- ii. Upcoming: July 28th Saturday to whale watching
- iii. Six Flag Trips: 8/1 I, \$40 with transportation, \$35 if you drive

c. ASA

- i. Summer/Fall project: how to update guideline: poster space allocations
- ii. Better support active groups
- iii. Questions: LEF/ARCADE funding: what works and what doesn't?
- iv. Possible change in membership requirement?
- v. Alumni interfering with the groups. Hopefully not impacting graduate students involved. Any red flag?
- vi. For now 50% must be students

d. DIS

- i. ICEO Search: primary component of diversity and inclusion
- ii. Dean-appointment faculty member oversees the project
- iii. Current ICEO is stepping down
- iv. DIS has been talking to them about it
- v. Restructuring of DIS
- vi. DCI (Department and Classroom Initiative)
- vii. Schedule for the year (tentative)

e. EAB



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- i. Students are underrepresented in Cambridge voting demographics
 - ii. Change in voting per person increases in the MIT area
 - iii. Need liaisons from each department
 - I. Low commitment responsibility
 - iv. You can get involved by emailing EAB
 - v. NAGPS: Director of Legislative Affairs resigned. We got a new one.
 - vi. Fall legislative action day
 - vii. Board meeting on Monday in two weeks
- f. HCA
- i. Working with Institute Research regarding the stipend recommendation committee
 1. Alternative spending recommendation packages
 2. Increased number of vacations
 3. Transportation subsidies
 4. Focus group on graduate students with families
- g. Muddy Charles
- i. Contact the Muddy for any activities.
 - ii. Do email them
7. Open Floor (again) (6:55 – 7:00 PM)



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Upcoming GSC Meetings

Academics, Research, and Careers (ARC)	Thursday, 7/12, 6:30 PM
Visiting Students Association (VISTA)	Every Monday, 7:00 PM
Activities Committee (AC)	TBD
External Affairs Board (EAB)	TBD
Events Subcommittee	TBD
Federal Affairs Subcommittee	TBD
Public Outreach Subcommittee	TBD
State and Local Affairs Subcommittee	TBD
Development Subcommittee	Every Monday, 6:00 PM
Housing and Community Affairs (HCA)	TBD
Off-campus Subcommittee	TBD
Sustainability Subcommittee	TBD
Transportation Subcommittee	TBD
Diversity and Inclusion Subcommittee	TBD
Muddy Charles Pub	TBD
Orientation Committee (OC)	TBD
Executive Committee (ExComm)	Wednesday, 8/1, 6:30 PM

*Unless otherwise indicated, all meetings are in the GSC Office (50-220)

Upcoming General Council Meetings (GCMs)

Note: Dinner starts at 5:00 PM and meetings start at 5:30 PM

August General Council Meeting	Wednesday, 8/8, 6-120
September General Council Meeting	Wednesday, 9/12, 32-155
October General Council Meeting	Wednesday, 10/3, 32-155
November General Council Meeting	Wednesday, 11/7, 32-155
December General Council Meeting	Wednesday, 12/5, 32-155

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