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61.gsc.9.2 Resolution for the GSC OneMIT Board Charge

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Rationale and History

Whereas, many MIT students have expressed concern to remove real and proceeded barriers between schools, and noted that student interaction and collaboration at various levels (academic, social, cultural, etc.) were lacking to significant degrees.

Whereas, the Graduate Student Council represents all graduate students and seeks to enhance the graduate experience at MIT; and

Whereas, during President Reif's inauguration speech, he celebrated MIT's historic ability to solve the world's problems through interdisciplinary teamwork and coordination. Calling forth the community of faculty, students, alumni, and staff as "One MIT"; and

Whereas, the Graduate Student Council 2013 Orientation theme was ONE MIT and started to remove barriers of interaction between departments. This set the foundation to better integrate the incoming graduate students.

Whereas, the Graduate Student Council, together with the Office of the Dean of Graduate Education (ODGE) and Deans from the MIT schools worked together to support a structure to foster interaction, communication, collaboration, understanding, respect, and well-being among MIT graduate students throughout the university; now therefore, be it hereby

Resolved, that the the Graduate Student Council create and support the OneMIT Board Charge.

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Purpose

The GSC OneMIT Board (OneMIT Board) is charged with fostering interaction, communication, collaboration, understanding, respect, well-being, and supporting the GSC Mission for all graduate students. The board will serve as a common ground for the MIT community, defined as faculty, staff, graduate and undergraduate students, to promote academic, social, cultural, and professional activities across schools.

General Meetings

General meetings are modeled similar to GSC Standing Committees. They are open to any graduate student, and representation from student groups, campus clubs, or similar student run entities are encouraged to attend. The general meetings are held at least once a semester with the long term goal of once a month.

Funding Meetings

Funding meetings are modeled similar to GSC Funding Board. They consist of the six graduate student representatives. In the event that a tie cannot be resolved the GSC President will make the deciding call. The funding meetings are held at least once a semester with the long term goal of the same cycles as GSC Funding Board. Any graduate student, ASA recognized student group, or similar student run entities can apply for funding. The GSC Funding Board guidelines should be used and all allocations are posted online.

Selection of the Board School Representatives

The representation is made up of graduate students from all five schools and the GSC Treasurer. The chair of the board will be selected by the board and is tasked with the responsibility of calling general and funding meetings, communication of the public agenda, having the minutes recorded, and reporting updates to the Council at the GSC General Council Meetings. Each Board member has the responsibility of interacting (i.e. providing updates, etc.) with their respective School Dean, engaging students in their school and across schools, and ensuring financial sustainability.

- Five nominated members from each of the five schools
  - School of Architecture and Planning - *Courses 4, MAS, and 11*
  - School of Engineering - *Courses 16, 20, 10, 1, 6, ESD, 3, 2, 22, and IMES*
  - School of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences - *Courses 21A, CMS/21W, 14, 21F, 21H, 21, 24, 21L, 21M, 17, and STS*
  - Sloan School of Management - *Course 15*
  - School of Science - *Course 7, 9, 5, 12, 18, and 8*
- The current year GSC Treasurer will serve on the board as the funding manager to ensure proper management of the finances.

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- The current year GSC President will serve as the seventh member of the board and will act as the tiebreaker and conflict manager

The term length is for one year and a max of 3 years serving.

If there is an open position in the term a candidate from that respective constituent body (confirmed by the GSC VP) can be nominated or self-nominated at a GSC General Council Meeting and is confirmed by the council representatives of the respective constituent body.

Funding

The main funding source will be from the Schools and ODGE. The funds are held in the GSC account to be distributed up to the allocated amount as a reimbursement.

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