

ASA Spring 2022 General Body Meeting

Agenda

1. Attendance
2. Updates from DSL
 - a. Paul Murphy introduction as new SOLE Liaison to ASA
3. Updates from the President
 - a. asa-complaints@mit.edu
 - b. Recap of Appeals
4. Updates from the Treasurer
 - a. LEF/ARCADE
5. Updates on Space
 - a. Postering cycle
6. Updates on Groups
 - a. Recap of Re-recognition Cycle
 - i. Update on Constitutions
 - b. Summary of group applications
 - c. Restructuring of Changes to Groups
7. Questions/Open Floor
 - a. Form submissions
 - b. At large

Minutes

Got started at 5:10pm

1. Attendance
 - a. Taken
2. Updates from DSL
 - a. Paul Murphy introduction as new SOLE Liaison to ASA
 - i. Associate Dean working in the SOLE Office
 - ii. Brief overview of SOLE
 1. Gabi - Event Registration
 2. Katherine W. - Leadership guidance
 3. Ramone & Mary - Finances
 - iii. Quick Tips for Groups
 1. Never sign your name on a contract or agreement; liability
 2. Alcohol: there is a process and procedure, SOLE requires a 3rd party bartending service
 3. Minors: strict procedure when inviting minors to campus

4. Travel: 25 miles outside of Boston travel needs to be registered on Engage
 5. Membership Removal: Please follow your constitution word for word, there are current lawsuits regarding this
 6. Constitution Updates: Go through your constitutions, have a process for membership removal; any questions can also go to SOLE
3. Updates from the President
 - a. asa-complaints@mit.edu
 - i. Complaints can also go to the President directly; groups can schedule office hours with the President.
 - b. Recap of Appeals
 - i. Groups can reach out to the ASA President to appeal and the ASA President can convene a board (UA President, Finbaord Chair, GSC President, Treasurer, ASA President, 1 undergrad of ASA, 1 grad of ASA) to go over the appeal
 4. Updates from the Treasurer
 - a. LEF/ARCADE
 - i. The Fall application cycle just passed
 1. We granted 40% of the funds requested
 - ii. The Winter application cycle is about to begin soon, will be due in December
 - iii. Fill in the Post-Event report for Fall cycle events
 1. If not completed ASA will take back a percentage of the allocation
 - b. Funding for Grad and Undergrad groups
 - i. UA only funds based on the number of undergrad members in groups
 - ii. Groups encouraged to look for other funding sources as we are working on this issue. Can be found on ASA website
 5. Updates on Space
 - a. Postering cycle
 - i. Application is closed, however the deadline is extended for groups that had a space last cycle.
 6. Updates on Groups
 - a. Recap of Re-recognition Cycle
 - i. Update on Constitutions
 1. 35 Groups have been fully recognized and 236 groups are being re-recognized pending constitution approval
 2. 178 groups being de-recognized
 3. Constitution revisions due Oct 31st
 - b. Summary of group applications
 - i. 31 received
 - ii. Application closed, late submissions will be reviewed on a case by case basis
 - c. Restructuring of Changes to Groups

- i. Changing the name of group, funding status, mailing list, national affiliation organizations
- ii. New rolling form for reviving old groups
- iii. Information will be on the ASA website

7. Questions/Open Floor

a. Form submissions

- i. Muddy Charles pub
- ii. Transparency
 - 1. Seeking to change various transparency issues
 - 2. You can see all of the ASA emails, useful for groups to know
 - a. There is a page for this on the ASA website
 - b. If groups want to email confidentially, you can email the President directly at asa-president@mit.edu
- iii. Have a calendar for the dates (GBM, funding deadlines)
- iv. How is the website updated now?
 - 1. Currently, it is being manually updated
 - 2. Maybe some kind of automated update system
- v. It's very problematic for SOLE to create a full day event before midterms
 - 1. Hypocritical since SOLE bans events near finals
 - 2. Should be scheduled better next time
- vi. How long will constitution approval take?
 - 1. It takes a while to go through all the constitutions, but if it is being submitted for the correction cycle it will take about a month from now (end of November)
 - 2. Everything will be done by the end of 2022 (over my dead body will it go into 2023)
 - 3. Are groups going to be held to the Oct 31st deadline for groups that are just submitted constitution late?
 - a. No
 - 4. When we make edits for constitution do we submit the link for the file?
 - a. The file, pdfs please; no uncompiled latex
- vii. CAC spaces; what is happening with renovations for the Student Center? Information and Timeline?
 - 1. Paul: there will be an email going out this week with more information about the timeline and a few sessions about student trying out furniture
 - 2. Also an addition email being sent to groups that have space in 120
- viii. In terms of CAC booking, specifically for performance groups, it has come to our attention that we are not going to have early booking (months in advance) for large events at large venues due to these renovations
 - 1. Paul: I don't know anything yet, but I will voice your concerns to the CAC
 - 2. Groups will be able to work with CAC to resolve scheduling issues

- ix. Will there be spaces opening next semester?
 - 1. The next cycle will start Fall next year and will end in that Spring.
The cycle happens every 2 years
 - x. Is there a makeup we can do for the leadership summit?
 - 1. Kat will be emailing out about a makeup session
 - 2. This email will be going out to all groups
 - xi. If groups applied for a funding status change in order to receive finboard funding, when will we hear back?
 - 1. ASA will be going through this on Oct 31st, groups should hear about it by early November
 - 2. If you are a group that received a finboard allocation, we are trying to address that on a faster timeline so that money can go through
 - xii. The FAQ on group renaming on the ASA website says to email asa-exec
 - 1. We are currently changing the process to be more systematic through a form and that will be updated on the website soon
- b. At large

Meeting ended at 5:41pm