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Action Items/To Follow-Up:

- [ACTION ITEM] Watch for MIT Policy on community-member engagement for AY 2021-2022
- [ACTION ITEM] Building an MIT-core community for Fall 2021
 - Recruitment -- Fall Events
 - Building a core of student officers
 - Follow-up with MIT Swing class instructor
- [FOLLOW-UP] Develop an intentional, inclusive, and safe “first dance back” plan
- [ACTION ITEM] Adjust written policies (add “covid-clause”) and enforcement strategy; leaning heavily on MIT policies
- [COMPLETED] Room reservations for Spring 2022
- [FOLLOW-UP] LHS activities for PE credit

Minutes:

- **When will we start to meet? Could we meet in the summer?**
 - Likely the summer policies in place mean that we can’t meet on campus (it is anticipated that a blanket policy for limited on-campus activity for the summer will persist through August)
 - We currently anticipate having the ability for limited meetings in the fall, **but we need to wait and see what the policies will be**
 - Potential MIT Policy Scenarios for Fall
 - Scenario 1: Operations as normal as per MIT policy
 - We will resume lessons and socials “as usual” with adjustments for improved access to sanitation resources, masks, etc.
 - Scenario 2: MIT-open, Community-limited operations
 - Essentially, community members who serve as instructors, specialists, “volunteers” would be allowed (but must enroll through MIT Covid Pass for health attestations and potential testing requirements)
 - We will resume lessons, with a focus on line/circle-style dances. We may structure the “social” portion differently.
 - Scenario 3: MIT-only
 - We will resume lessons, with a focus on line/circle-style dances. Lesson + social may “blend” more than in the past.
 - Scenario 4: No events
 - We’ll be ramping up with virtual recruitment opportunities
- **What do we imagine dances looking like, and what policy changes will we enact?**
 - Our principles for events moving forward: safety, inclusion, community

- Increased access to sanitation resources (and time); high likelihood of mask requirements
- We hope to offer dances consistently, so will wait to “start up” again until we are sure that events can occur as scheduled; we will be transparent about changes to policies and implications
 - We want to encourage members to practice good self-regulation strategies with respect to attendance (skipping a week if feeling off, taking breaks when necessary)
- Initially start with line/circle dances to “warm up” being in a social dance space
- Schedule dances for outdoor spaces as much as possible
- With respect to “enforcement”:
 - We will adjust our code of conduct to reflect Covid policies from MIT and highlight community health best practices
 - Leaders, officers, instructors, DJs, etc. will be part of policy enforcement (through example, rapport with attendees, etc.)
 - Make it easy to follow the rules (e.g., access to sanitation supplies); coordinating with MIT on setting reasonable restrictions