

# Agenda September 8th

**Co-Presidents:** Prash Prakash and Adriana Mitchell

**Vice-President:** Lena Downes

**Treasurer:** Daniel Miller

**Social Chairs:** Cadence Payne, Charles Oestreich, Björn Lütjens

**GSC Representatives:** Charles Dawson, Mycal Tucker, Jenny Gubner

**International Chair:** Maya Nasr

**Webmaster/Social Media Chair:** Charlotte Lowey

**Intramural Sports Chair:** Grégoire Chomette

**Academic Chair:** Soumya Sudhakar

**Outreach/Diversity Chair:** Chelsea Onyeador

**GSC DEI rep:** Lucy Halperin

**dREFS liaison:** Mycal Tucker

**GWAE liaison:** Jenny Gubner

Attendees: Prash, Adriana, Lena, Daniel, Maya, Cadence, Jenny, Chelsea, Charles D, Charles O, Lucy, Björn, Mycal, Soumya, Charlotte

Missing: Greg

## Action Items

- Everyone update on events they want to plan this fall along with some budget considerations (see bottom of agenda for room to put ideas)
  - <link removed>
- If anyone is interested in co-running the next Blind Spots (September) with Denise then reach out
  - Do it!!
  - Charles D will do it
  - Everyone needs to sign up for at least 2 muddys and one study break for the fall semester. Take 5 min and do it now: <link removed>
  - Charlotte (study break), Soumya(both) - done!

## Agenda

### 1. Committee Updates

#### a. Co-P

- i. GA3 survey 2020 is live! Please fill this out and encourage your friends & labmates to do so as well

[https://mit.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_8kyBXcwX7fwbRFH](https://mit.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8kyBXcwX7fwbRFH)

- ii. Social pods idea (virtual or in-person-- need dept approval). **Email from Suzy Nelson explicitly does not allow this :(**
- iii. AIAA collab
  - Discord server seems repetitive with Slack
  - In past we have co-run events with AIAA (Halloween party)
- iv. Do we want to open slack up to affiliates from other departments?
  - Yes if we prevent them from joining the locked #talktoga3 channel
- v. ASA Mandatory meetings
  - Lena, Daniel & social chairs pls help!
- b. VP
- c. International Chair
  - i. Language exchange next Tuesday. Language TBD, email to be sent
  - ii. International career event is end of September
- d. Treasurer
  - i. How was the processing of ice-cream receipts? Is this a viable thing to do again?
    - Need to make sure to have everyone write full name and kerberos on receipt. Need to give very clear instructions next time
    - 14 receipts were submitted, took around 2 hours for Daniel to process and submit. **Doing this once a month would be ok, more frequently would be burdensome**
    - Could we push for MIT financial services to reform their process in some way?
- e. Social Chairs
  - i. On board with modifying study breaks to be fun seminars starting next week
    - 15 minute presentation, informal and can be on anything
    - Send out sign up form for interest, include topic. Cadence to send email tomorrow
  - ii. Charles O.: photo contest
    - Results to be announced tonight
    - Next one: back to school or fall theme
    - Prizes tbd (add to budget)
    - Will send to Charlotte for insta
  - iii. Movie night? Need to get info on this, LSC did not respond to inquiry about legality but Björn will check with Sara Cody
    - If we can't get approval then we could make it only Netflix and so everyone could use private Netflix accounts
- f. GSC Reps
  - i. GSC Meeting: approximately one thing of interest
    - IDHR Presentation on new Title IX regs

- New Title IX has narrowed range of definition of sexual harassment and changed other important policies to make some of them stricter and harder to prosecute
  - MIT is still going to keep the same standards for the behaviors that were previously punishable by Title IX; these will still be against MIT policies but they will not be legally punishable
  - Jenny will see if she can get the slides to send out to department
- g. Intramural Chair
  - i. Registration open, email sent
  - ii. People are joining the teams, will send reminders before registration closes on Sunday
- h. Academic Chair
  - i. Lunch with Grad Chair soon perhaps?
- i. Outreach/Diversity Chair
  - i. Will reach out to GWAE about CALL this week
  - ii. Add budget requests. Currently very little CALL money left
- j. Webmaster
- k. DEI Representative Updates
- l. dREFS Updates
  - i. Having same struggles as GA^3 with virtual engagement, would be open to collaboration
- m. GWAE Updates
  - i. Recent discussion on forming an advocacy subgroup separate from outreach

## 2. Event Recap-

- Fill in event reports! Upload final reports to Dropbox. <link removed>
- a. Amount spent? Number of attendees?
- b. Muddy 9/4 Cadence & Prash
  - i. Decent attendance, lower than last time though ~15 people. Charades worked ok, I thought it was fun.
  - ii. Game/ themed/ activity seems imp to get less extroverted people to start talking, so highly recommend this over just hanging out - only ppl who know each other talk.
  - iii. Perhaps pictionary/ codenames etc can be done. Something that allows people to drop in and out
- c. Soumya book club
  - i. (~4 people already showed interest in another session on Slack: Charlotte to run second book club session for How to be an Antiracist)
  - ii. Soumya to continue book clubs with an additional helper for a second discussion session. She will add the book club budget to the semester budget

3. Upcoming events-

- a. Björn and Daniel muddy 9/11
  - i. Make it themed to have something to discuss to keep up numbers
- b. Cadence and Chelsea study break 9/14 at noon
  - i. Trying the new presentation format!
- c. Mentoring kick off 9/17 7:30 PM
  - i. Any ideas for a social/icebreaker? Should we do break out rooms of mentor pairs and then group discussion as well?

4. Swag

- a. Incoming students are asking for it
- b. With AIAA collab we could pursue swag options together
- c. Design was already completed by Greg in Spring