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
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-
   a. Fill in event reports! Upload final reports to Dropbox. <link removed>
      i. 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