

MacGregor House Committee

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Minutes of Regular Meeting Held in B-Entry February 19, 2003

Attendance			
President:	Joe Jacobs	Secretary:	Jolene Singh
Vice President:	Rose Grabowski	Treasurer:	Jolene Singh
<i>Entry Chairs</i>			
A:	Ethan & Alex Crumlin	D:	Laurie Stach
B:	Aayesha Siddiqui	E:	Merritt Tam
C:	Jolene Singh	F:	
LRMAL:		GRT:	Alicia Boozer
<i>Also in attendance:</i> Swapna Panuganti, Deepti Mehta, Adam Oliner, Mike Cluff, Philip Guo			

Meeting Starts: 10:12 pm

Housekeeping, Re-dux

First Order of Business: Elections

- Secretary (Interim Acting) Arrives Late [Mahreen Khan]
- LRMAL Elections [Election Committee Appointed at the Last Meeting]

Second Order of Business: New paperwork

- Name corrections to Who's Who [Laurie Stach]
- Junk mail being sent to A-Entry Admin.
- Updated Constitution and Bylaws
- Know your entry handout

Third Order of Business: Website Updates

Joe updates HouseComm Website (pet policy, fire policy, meeting minutes, meeting agendas, HouseComm archives going back to 1995, and so forth)

Fourth Update: Continued Treasury Update and Budgeting

Report of Darkroom Chair [Absent, Joe Updates]

Darkroom requests a bare minimum allotment of 200 dollars. *(Miranda is trying to train Eston Kimani in C-Entry to take over).

Joe moves that we allot 300 dollars.

Carl moves for 200 dollar allotment. Ethan seconds the motion. Nine voting members grant their assent.

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Report of Music Room Activity Chair. [Daniel Steele]

85 dollars have been spent to tune the piano in music room. It will cost 450 dollars to repair the piano in the dining room. Members express lack of support for 450 dollar expenditure. Activity chair requests funds for lightbulbs and water for the humidifier. In sum, Daniel Steele requests 100 dollars. Adam moves to allocate 100 dollars to the music room activity budget. All voting members give their approval by a show of hands.

Report of Rec Room [Absent]

Bob will provide lighting. No numbers given, tabled until the next meeting.

Report of Weight Room [Absent]

Prefer not to allocate as much as in the past since major purchase order is being processed.

Miscellaneous

Sana asks questions about sofas in the game room and the MacGregor printer.

A: Soda chair is not getting paid; so that money will be allocated toward house maintenance. Maintenance will include expenditures regarding the printer (e.g. a long cable that will be connected to the printer allowing residents to print at all times). Policies regarding printing charges and enforcement for MacGregor residents will be discussed at a later date.

Sana also asks about setting up an Athena in MacGregor.

A: Karen Nilsson will be contacted about an Athena in MacGregor (perhaps a cluster will be installed by the soda machines next term). This issue has been discussed by GRTs also.

Old Business

I. Dining Committee:

Ethan says that emails to garner support will be sent out tonight. <Mac-dining> list has been created. We need people in other offices to pledge their support before we can start delegating responsibilities.

In 1996, a similar dining survey was conducted. At that point, MacG Convenience scored 4.7/5. This time around there was great dissatisfaction with Convenience services. (We should investigate the changes that were made to make Convenience un/popular?)

Ethan asks about accessing revenue sheets for Convenience. [Doubtful.]

II. Furniture Budget and Catalog [Mike Cluff]

-Distribution of catalogs of furniture for furnishing entry lounges
(collaborative work of Rose and H-Entry GRT, Mike)

-Prices and fabric samples to come soon.

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-Keep the old furniture in suite lounges

III. Community Service Reminder: A-entry this weekend

IV. Winter Weekend Update

MARCH 7th: Entry Acts [tentative: \$50 for participating entries, 1st place--\$300, 2nd place--\$200, 3rd place--\$100 (winning entries don't receive \$50 for participation)]

* Rose, Sean, and Peter will further discuss this issue. [Next Meeting] *

Jinane does chips and popcorn. Adam and Jess are GRTs in charge.

N.B. Jinane asks to bring kids to Entry Acts performance on Friday night.

MARCH 8th: We will be co-sponsoring a jazz event with Mike's Pastry.

MARCH 9th: Quiz Bowl (order packets at \$25 each)

New Business

I. Social Events Calendar [Deepti Mehta]

-Ski Trip was a success.

-Tentative Calendar:

February 22, 2003: C-Entry party on 8th floor in main lounge.

[Retreat]

March 7th-9th, 2003: Winter Weekend: Entry Acts, Jazz Event, Quiz Bowl

April (1st weekend): TBA

April 12th, 2003: Arts Day

Spring Weekend: Get Sprung [privy to further consideration **Re:** costs ~8K]

May 3rd, 2003: Yard Sale [morning/afternoon]

May 9th, 2003: Envy Freedom Harbor Cruise/Semiformal; Midnight (see Burton & EC)

May 16th, 2003: Last Day of Classes BBQ with Simmons in Courtyard.

Further Comments [Joe]:

Stay active within your entries and remember that inter-entry study breaks are subsidized up to 40 dollars per entry.

Further Comments [Deepti]:

Entry chairs investigate whether your residents would like to take a 10 dollar day trip to Foxwoods Casino.

II. Party Registration Changes

-Refer to handout

III. I3/Freshman Tour [Phil Guo]

-View old tour off of MacGregor web page

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- I3 is a project aimed at acquainting freshmen with dorms (**Re: freshmen can squat in their temporary housing assignments under new system**)
- Parts I and II: (1) first year guide includes a 2-page spread per house; we need to rewrite 500 word student page (2) script and pictures for each entry are due in two weeks; We want to accurately reflect the culture of our living groups
- JVC DV Camera [\$845, 800 from us] [ownership]
Receipt yet to be processed (contact Dorm Con)
Phil is in charge of the equipment until an appropriate lending liability policy can be drafted.
- Digital Still Camera will be exchanged by activity chairs to add depth to our photography archive

IV. Dorm Con . . . demise of Rush

- Protest on Feb. 20th in Lobby 10 at 10 am.
- DormCon meeting in McCormick from 6-8 pm. Joe requests a proxy.

V. Leadership Mtg. Wed. March 5th from 9-11pm in TFL

Further Business:

Professor Coleman offers Housemasters' services in mediation of conflicts.

Joe moves to elect Mahreen as secretary. Ethan moves to delay the vote. The vote is tabled until next week.

Deepti proposes a social budget of 26K. The issue is tabled until next week.

Next week the meeting is scheduled for C-Entry.

Preliminary arrangements are made to convene on March 5th from 9-10pm in TFL.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:37 pm.