Dean’s Council Agenda (August 20th, 2020)

5:30 pm CST

● DC Vote on Program Funds
  ● A majority voted in favor of rolling the funds over for this fiscal year
    ▪ Link to the website for information regarding program funding:
    ▪ New changes for this year include:
      ● Disbursement has previously come out all at once. This year, the disbursement will be about half of what it was previously and will be coming out every quarter
      ● Program funds will be refreshed every quarter instead of one big giant pot at the beginning of the year
      ● Meytal will update us monthly for where programs stand (thank you, Meytal!)

● Updating the DC listserv
  ● If you are interested in transitioning out of your role as a representative, please let us know so we can find a replacement
    ▪ Chairs will put together a list of representatives and update the list accordingly
    ▪ Chairs will also send out an email to the BSD to confirm DC representation
    ▪ This is especially important for voting for policies and setting up events for programs

● Introductions: name, year, department, board position (if applicable) - Anyone not on the listserv?
  ● Welcome to our new members!

● Treasury Update (Meytal Chernoff and Alex Smith)
  ● Alex will be transitioning out of the position as co-treasurer
  ● Responsibilities include: monitoring the website, setting up the payment system, checking for funding requests during the week of meetings
    ▪ All of the systems are set up
  ● Alex is ready to train the new replacement co-treasurer
  ● Will send out an email to the BSD
  ● If you have any questions, please email Meytal

● BSD Orientation Virtual Mixer Planning
  ● BSD Orientation is from September 21-25
    ▪ Dean’s Council representation during Monday morning student groups - introductions by the Chairs (~lunch time)
  ● Set up a virtual zoom mixer to get to know/welcome the new cohort- break out groups for games, ice breakers, etc
• **Volunteer to lead a break out group** (Wednesday night)
  - Kelsey, Meytal, Jin, Sophia, Devin - thank you! Chairs will help coordinate and more information will be coming soon

• **Chicago Food Depository Volunteering Updates**
  - The volunteering events are going very well so far, and more people are interested in participating!
  - Will send out another survey soon
  - 12-13 people have participated so far in groups of 3-5 per shift

• **Alexis and Nikita** - **Grad Council BSD Representatives**
  - **Vote GC Replacement for Nikita**
    - Will send out an email regarding the roles/responsibilities - please let your programs know
    - Let us know if anyone is interested

• **Program representative updates** (**how is your program doing/any ideas for activities/anything that DC can help with?**)
  - Office of Campus and Student Life is working on guidelines for student life - will know more soon!
  - BMB: Socially distancing outdoor picnic - around September
    - First years are invited!
    - ~20 people at the Point
    - DC money for individually packaged food items
  - Biophysics - Zoom Trivia
    - Provide supplies in form of snack/beverages + trivia online via zoom
  - General event: Organize a zoom trivia event, especially for the new first year students
    - Potentially late September/ early October
    - Teams can be led by DC representatives
    - Would be a way for new students to get to know the older students across specializations

• **Jimmy and Jessy** - **GRIT representatives**
  - Events include:
    - GRIT Disabilities Team Trivia night
    - GRIT Womxn's Team and GRIT LGBTQ Book Club
  - Jimmy and Jessy will be meeting the team leads and developing a budget in ~ September

• **Jin and Martin** - **Coffee hour (virtual)**
  - Pre-order the coffee for each week and people can collect their own coffee and meet via Zoom to chat
  - Jin and Martin will coordinate
• Brittany and Sam - Cultural Co-Chairs
• Alexis Thomas - Sports
• Devin Harrison - Travel Fund
  • University is not supporting any travel
  • If conferences start charging registration fees, then we will revisit the travel fund during DC meetings
• Soo Ji - Equipment Library
  • Melissa will follow up regarding the keys