



General Body Meeting

April 5th, 2021 | 17:00

Agenda

1. Updates from SOLE
2. Updates from the board
 - a. President
 - b. Treasurer
 - c. Space
 - d. Groups
3. ASA Elections
4. Open floor

Updates from SOLE

- Event registration process
 - Make sure you use the form on Engage (<https://engage.mit.edu/forms>) to register any events for the 2020-2021 academic year!
- COVID-19 guidelines
 - Find all current updates here:
<https://now.mit.edu/policies/events-gatherings-and-campus-spaces-policy/>
 - On-campus events are still prohibited
 - Student org office/storage space can be accessed after submitting a form on Engage: **<bit.ly/orgroomaccess>**

Updates from SOLE

- Required transition workshop: April 28th, 5:30 PM ET
 - This workshop will cover what information and strategies are essential to hand down to your next officers, and provide many take-home resources to assist with this process
 - Even if you are not transitioning right now, you will have to at some point, and it is never too soon to prepare and strategize for what your transition will look like

Updates from President

- Group constitutions
 - Next year will likely involve asking groups to look over their constitutions and update them to abide by modern MIT requirements!
 - Do you have your constitution? Is it buried in a Dropbox or Athena locker? Do you know what it says?
 - We also highly recommend groups have a process to remove members (not having this has caused issues in the past), which may become a requirement in the future
 - If made a formal requirement, the ASA will provide samples, but groups have very different membership structures so it may not be a catch-all

Updates from President

- Transitioning your exec board
 - Every year, many groups have issues because information was not handed down well between outgoing and incoming officers. This has caused event planning to be incredibly difficult and even some groups to nearly be derecognized - don't let this be you!
 - Especially with how chaotic life is right now, this year's transitions are critical to save you headaches and ensure the success of your group!

Updates from President

- Re-recognition starts the last week of April!
 - The two-step process will be the same as last year:
 - A group officer must fill out an Engage form asking for logistical details and membership count
 - ≥ 5 members of your group must fill out another form confirming they are members of your group
 - Keep an eye on the asa-official emails and <http://asa.mit.edu/start-group/spring-re-recognition> for updates once the process begins!

Updates from Treasurer

- We have money! Take it!
- Past semester: 14 groups applied for LEF and ARCADE
 - Granted \$20,405
- We normally have ~100 applications, so we have lots of funds remaining we want to give out to group!
- Upcoming: Summer Cycle
 - Deadline: June 1, Late Deadline: June 8

Updates on Space

- CP* Midway on April 17th, will be on gather.town
- CAC/EHS cleanups of closed spaces ongoing while campus is closed (cleaning out trash, rotting food, etc.)
- Space allocation cycle (for lockers and office space) pushed back to next year (Fall 2021), will be joint with space oversight board (representatives from ASA, SOLE, CAC, Facilities)

Updates on Groups

- Group applications:
 - 16 applied plus some late applications (deadline extended for groups who requested it to 4/18), we are currently finishing up the first round
- Upcoming change to recognition process:
 - We will be asking all groups to meet with SOLE to go over financial and legal requirements while the ASA discusses their uniqueness and sustainability
 - This is essentially how the process has worked for the last few years, and we will be formalizing it going forward

Board Elections

- President: Alex Bookbinder, '23
- Secretary: Alex Tsao, '22
- Treasurer: Calvin Cummings, '23
- Groups Chair: Toby Glenhaber '23
- Space Chair: Sabina Tontici, '22

To get credit for the GBM make-up:

<https://engage.mit.edu/submitter/form/start/478022>

**If you're having trouble accessing the form, log into engage.mit.edu and then try again*



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