

ASA minutes
11-6-02

Attendance:

Present: Jenn, Anant, Tao, Soojin, Katie, Hiral, Andy, Matt

Excused absence: Arthur

Unexcused absence: Parul

Office Hours: 6PM

Meet new petitioning groups

V-day (ruthp): group to support Vagina Monologues to raise money and awareness for domestic violence, reasons for ASA recognition – account, rooms, bulletin board space, have not talked with Qwillts or LGBT or SOS; difficult working with Pro-choice; proposal is event driven – should be sponsored by a group

Vote to encourage talking to SOS, theater groups, and women's groups / department:
(7:0:1)

ANANT: e-mail these suggestions

Dance Theatre Ensemble (bushra): co-curricular group, mixture of dance and theatre; guest choreographers; modern and experimental dance; need help with publicity funding and receptions; Concert Choir Student's Association; deserve to be a sponsored group for funding reasons

Vote: white ballot to contact theater arts

TAO: speak to humanities department; email group

AFA (tstrader): first forum went extremely well; uniqueness – purpose to improve ALL race relations at MIT; CCRR is faculty and want a student group; work closely with discussion group; members within every class – sustainable; wants official recognition and not just funding; LEF / ARCADE – Jane Elliot “Blue-eyed”

Vote: white ballot for preliminary recognition

ANANT: email about hazing, start-up, constitution

Phish Food (ssaini): publication of inspirational stories; Rune, VooDoo, and Counterpoint are too satirical; six-page newsletter bimonthly; discuss with MedLink or MIT Medical Mental Health; funding is available but they want office space

Vote to encourage low-scale publication or work with Rune or Tech: (5:1:2)

ANANT: email

Student's for Labor Justice (sweiwang): speakers, funding, space; different issue than SJC or UTR; large enough issue to warrant own group – other groups lack capacity; sustainability

Vote: (5:0:3)

KATIE: reinvoke to required meeting November 21 (ragu, rupadas)

Meeting:

1. Meet with reps from the Logs (a capella group) about a proposal for a recording studio

Background – recording process is expensive; much cheaper long-term to build studio

Understand space limitation, but money and knowledge is available

Room requirements: 15 x 15, power, Ethernet, avoid natural disasters

Structural changes – nothing is permanent; equipment can be moved

Other musical groups cannot afford studio, other groups allowed to use (rent equipment)

Security: install own system

Room possibilities:

352 – darkroom, 179 sq. ft.

354A – Anime, 69 sq. ft.

301 – Western Hemisphere, ex Latino, 302 sq. ft.

2. Old new group recognitions

Kung Fu club: they should be a club sport. ANANT will give forms to CSC.

ANANT: email groups

E33 productions (ajp): have not corrected constitution; still lacking 5/50, non-discrimination, hardship, officer removal; warn about time requirements – next meeting

Satellite Engineering Team (pwooster): need support letter

Mocha Moves (msriley): need 5 / 50 and president / treasurer distinct people

JENN reaper: AEPi, Iranian Studies Group

3. Judicial Process Concerns

3 proposed options

ASA exec can interpret constitution as it wishes, “may” – appeals process is set

Vote to approve the amendment as written: white ballot

4. Project updates

ANANT: meeting with Alvar concerning accounts for club sports

HIRAL: touch base with FOCUS, check November status, remind of funding concerns

JENN: meet with Phil about Walker and key locks

MATT: potential funding for ASA, Jenn is voting member of GSC

ARTHUR: update postering violation files

5. Move all SAD boxes into the ASA Office

6. Talent Forum

Claimed help from CSSA but CSSA says it is their event

Talent Forum preliminary recognition has been tabled

ANANT: email Tao Wang (tao) from CSSA or Darren Chang (darrenz) from Talent Forum

7. Open floor

ANANT: Triathlon forms to Club sports

SETU: tabled until next meeting

KATIE: invite Mike (ginsu) to next meeting (Nov. 21)

GSC retreat: November 17th (local), November 23rd and 24th (away) Anant? Andy?

Next meeting is Thursday, November 21, 2002

Have a great weekend guys! Happy Veteran's Day!