Wednesday, 19 January 2022

5:30-6:30PM Professional* and IDEAL* Council Meetings
6:30-8:00PM General Assembly Meeting
   Zoom link: https://upenn.zoom.us/j/91963881814
8:00-9:00PM Research Council* Meeting

*Council meeting links sent separately in relevant council meeting agendas

General Assembly Minutes

1. Approve Agenda (6:30PM)
   a. Passed without objection

2. Approve Minutes from 12/01/2021 (6:30PM)
   a. Passed without objection

3. Announcements (6:35PM)
   a. Midpoint survey
      i. Helps us identify which issues should be addressed.
   b. ISA Fall 2021 survey
   c. Penn International Student Issues Letter – document and endorsement
i. Letter has been shared previously
ii. Students were adversely affected by the change of move-in date.
iii. Virtual classes being unavailable doesn’t help.
iv. Timeline for the booster shot doesn’t work since places like CVS do not give the booster

d. Upcoming programs
   i. Moving towards online events such as knitting
   ii. Trying to bring back the speed friending event
   iii. Also trying to do headshots and things this year again

e. Message from Angela about getting reimbursed
   i. Submit paid receipts that don’t exclude vital information such as name and payment
   ii. Include description of payment (purpose)

f. University Committee Seats Available
   i. Student Advisory Group for the Environment (SAGE) – 1 seat

4. Finance Updates - January (6:50 PM)
   a. Round 3 opens on February

5. Ad-hoc Subcommittees (7:05PM)
   a. COVID policy and support subcommittee
      i. 
   b. On Prof. Amy Wax’s remarks
      i. Statement from TAASS on Prof. Wax’s remarks
         TAASS = Task force on Support to Asian and Asian-American Students and Scholars
      ii. Guerline is willing to be the chairman to lead the subcommittee on the response
      iii. Add the Law Reps to LAW reps
      iv. The Chair might be Aalok
   c. Food insecurity subcommittee
      i. Started last year
      ii. Want more GA involved with this
   d. Housing affordability subcommittee
      i. Having affordable housing would be good to have
      ii. Longer term strategy
   e. Transportation accessibility subcommittee
i. Please reach out if you are interested
ii. Join the Slack Channel #transportation

f. Onboarding and Orientation subcommittee
   i. Join the slack channel #onboarding-committee
   ii.

g. Bylaws subcommittee
   i. Join Paul for the various divisions and restructuring the system
   ii. Meets Biweekly

6. Open Floor/New Business/Q&A (7:55PM)
   a. Inflation is bad. Let’s address it in Council

7. Adjournment (8:00PM)