

**Student Government
Board Meeting
10.26.2011 | 12:00 pm | Lewis 301**

1. Called to Order at 12:00 pm
 - a. Tardy
 - i. Alex (12:03 pm)
2. Check-ins - how is everyone doing?
 - a. Robin
 - i. Halloween Party
 1. Facebook event has been set up
 2. Board members will put up posters around campus
 3. Buying decorations today but they're low-key
 4. Show up and bring 2 forms of ID
 - ii. Thanksgiving Dinner
 1. Volunteers are emailing letters to businesses. Deadline is Halloween
 2. Follow up calls will happen the next year
 3. Met with RA. Will send initial menu
 - b. Lakshmi
 - i. Shirt colors
 1. Light grey
 2. Maroon shirt with white lettering
 3. Bright turquoise
 4. Dark grey - maroon
 - ii. Lunch
 1. Make the mozzarella one a wrap, not a sandwich
 2. Offer the fruit option instead of cookie
 - c. Alex
 - i. Student orgs based on nationality
 1. SJD org is going to be siphoned off to the gard program
 2. Still talking to Dean Cosgrove about national student organizations and getting them separate funding
 - ii. Emailed his Thanksgiving charity assignments
 - iii. Received an email about One Day's Work
 - d. Chas
 - i. Student form went out. Lots of enthusiasm about student-faculty lunches
 1. Average size of lunches: 8 or 9
 2. Some professors specified they wanted more intimate lunches with about 4 or 5 students
 - ii. Pub night scheduled for November 10 with Professor Sullivan and Zittrain
 - e. Allison
 - i. Rachna:
 1. Focus more on fixing myplan
 2. Registrar Office is not tuned into student discontent

- ii. Send a survey to the student body so we have hard numbers to back up our claims of what students need
- f. Dylan
 - i. Will have a generalized letter ready today
 - ii. SFB has now been set up
 - iii. Email or hard letter for fundraising letters ?
 - 1. Email wins!
 - 2. Short email-full attachment wins!
 - 3. Robin: send Thanksgiving template to Dylan
 - 4. Rachna: include a deadline for contributing to the Thanksgiving dinner, who to write the check out to, and where to mail the check
 - iv. If certain events get overfunded, Dylan will contact them and ask whether they're willing to switch their sponsorship to another event or initiative
 - v. Everyone: look at the fundraising letter draft sent 2 weeks ago and give Dylan comments
- g. Greg
 - i. Upcoming Student Pub Nights:
 - 1. Friday, 11/11
 - 2. Friday, 12/2
 - ii. Concerns about Student Pub Nights:
 - 1. 11/4: Day before one of the MPRE dates.
 - 2. 11/18: Harvard-Yale so we can't have pub night that weekend
 - 3. 11/26: Thanksgiving weekend
 - 4. 12/2:
 - a. Rachna: Too late b/c it's right before exams so 1Ls won't come.
 - b. Greg: There are multiple faculty pub nights between 11/4 and Thanksgiving.
 - c. Skyler: 1Ls end class on 12/2, which is 10 days before their first final. 2Ls and 3Ls start exams on 12/13.
 - d. A masquerade ball might be on 12/2 as well. We could pre-game for that
 - iii. Last Student Pub Night:
 - 1. 35 people came
 - 2. We gave out 100 drink tickets

3. One Day's Work

- a. Dylan: This could be compatible with SG b/c the group is focused on students helping students. You donate a day of your work, which creates a fellowship, given to a fellow student doing public interest work on graduation. OPIA runs an application process. It encourages collaboration among students.
 - b. Rachna:
 - i. What could we do for them?
 - ii. What are the long term effects of opening these floodgates?
 - c. Dylan: We should have Shelley come to one of our meetings to explain it. I support our policies about email invitations that we've already voted on. Is this the type of organization that can be absorbed by SG? Is this something we want to carry on next year? It's our job to draw lines. We don't have to make categorical rules that if we help one group who has this mission of helping students, we have to help all groups with that mission.
 - d. Alex:
 - i. DOS and Dean are trying to make the number of organizations on campus smaller. That involves finding overlapping organizations and helping them combine, or at least not diverge.
 - ii. I met with Meg. She expressed that they were organized under SPIN and they should continue to be a separate group. The taking of checks from firms and redistributing needs to happen with OPIA. If they need to be absorbed by an organization of Harvard, it has to be OPIA. There's a problem with SG taking on this initiative without administrative oversight.
 - e. Dylan: Let's get clarity from Meg
 - f. Skyler: There is no speaking for SG. SG should vote.
 - g. Alex: Set up a meeting with Skyler and One Day's Work
4. Meeting adjourned at 1:01 pm