

ARC Meeting Minutes 20180218

Present Today: Kavya, Erika, Alejandro, Arushi, Michael, Alex

Kavya called the meeting to order at 11:10 am

1. ARC Deans Meeting **please RSVP to Beth ASAP!**

Reminder by Kavya to sign up for the Deans Meeting. Most if not everyone at the meeting today already signed up/RSVPed. Frosh hopefully can speak up about their thoughts on Core at the meeting, especially since core was changed about 5 years ago.

2. Option Fair Recap

Not many freshman (maybe max 15 people), wondering why the turnout is not very good. Many profs and option representatives were present but almost no freshman. Considered moving option fair to first term, or just completely throwing away this program and replacing it with a "buddy system" where freshman can be matched with an upperclassmen, similar to your option adviser except it's another student. Or maybe just a Google Docs with upperclassmen willing to give their contact information out for underclassmen to contact them for advice. Arushi said that she would like to help out organizing with this.

3. Drop Day / Registration

Make sure to remind your house about drop day this coming Wednesday and registration this coming Thursday. Most likely registration will be staggered although the official email will be sent out later. House reps should start organizing the option advising for their houses. Make sure we have add/drop cards by the rep doors.

4. SFLs

Sent out the form to sign up for SFLs. Umans and Mannion are very popular. Alejandro will be ordering food, the \$11/person deal for food.

5. Course Compliments

Alice sent out the 5 rewards to the people last week, we haven't been contacted yet for any reimbursements. Compliments seemed to have died down a lot. We're doing a rolling lottery system. Arushi posted the compliments from this past week on the ARC website.

6. Research Seminar Series

Got a response from Jack, so we're moving forward with this.

7. CS2 Millikan Study Sessions

No one has responded to this yet. Probably because Beth sent this email out, not students. House reps could send out emails to recruit tutors and stuff, although CS2 only has one set left this term.

General Announcements: Adhoc committee has been given to CUE to create a committee for core and pseudo-core, with particular emphasis on revamping Ma3.

Student-Faculty Conference will be next year.

House Reps: make your signature in emails to the ARC website and also the Course compliments, something like:

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John Smith

ARC Website: <https://sites.google.com/site/arccaltech/>

Course Compliments Page: <https://sites.google.com/site/arccaltech/course-compliments>

Question about Bechtel representation in ARC in the future. Since off-campus is highly discouraged, at-large and Bechtel reps become pretty synonymous. Maybe Bechtel gets 2 reps since they'll have sooo many more people (~212). Discussed the role of at-large reps, which are to increase the ARC's manpower. Not really clear yet if Bechtel is a house or not. Many problems arise with Bechtel and how representation in the ARC changes as a result. 2nd term elections for ARC are questioned, perhaps change to third term after room picks. Alex pointed out that Blacker and likely many other houses would have a lot of push back against moving house elections. Should ARC reps live in the houses that they serve? Not really sure yet.

General Decisions:

2-3 representatives from Bechtel, preferably by election although if necessary by appointment. Bechtel needs to have reps on the ARC by the start of the fall term. We can also have temporary ARC reps if necessary.

#### 8. **Discussion** Student Guide to TQFRs:

We put a sample template/draft of the TQFR guide into the ARC drive. Some comments that were made: Should add that the tqfrs gives future advice for students, also take out the specifics part because we already nailed that in the examples we gave

Change url to arc.caltech.edu/actual like website name for the thing

Change 52a to something else, maybe like 1994 since that was the year the ARC was founded

#### 9. **Discussion** Olive Walk Display Case

No discussion, meeting kind of long so will hold this discussion until next time

Could put the display case with our names and faces, may be more dynamic than anything.

Kavya adjourned the meeting at 12:07 pm.