

Interfraternity Council

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# **IFC Presidents Retreat**

Thursday, December 04, 2021

## 1. Actionable Items

### 2. Elections

- a. Diversity chair
  - i. Andre Hamelberg (Theta Chi)
  - ii. David Turturean and Trinity Stallins (TDC)

## 3. Officer Updates

- a. PR / Rush / Risk / Diversity / President / VP: No updates
- b. SHARE:
  - i. working on recruitment (8 people that have expressed interest)
  - ii. working with GRAs to get condoms to houses. Talk to your GRA if your house wants some
  - iii. Promotional stuff for the committee. If anyone wants a SHARE rep to give a 5-10 minute speech about the committee, let Ivan know
  - iv. Ivan will stay on the committee to help the transition
- c. Treasurer
  - i. Pick up earth cups if you want them

#### 4. Retreat Feedback

- a. Recruitment feedback
  - i. Better advertising to sophomores and or upperclassmen. Many people don't want to look just freshman year
  - Spring rush: do we want one? freshman fall is hard for some people to commit.
    Might be helpful to have this option more pronounced. Maybe spring rush more advertised and supported by IFC, but not necessarily a ton of events.
  - iii. Maintain spring rush casual attitude, but can use it as a gentle introduction to rush and how to market.
- b. The Great Return from COVID
  - i. A large number of things needed to be fixed. Lots of houses experiencing mechanical/structural issues
  - ii. FSILG leaderships roles were a lot harder than many people signed up for, did not feel fair
  - iii. Being able to access people that need to be fixed is an issue. Third-party and MIT people are not responding
  - iv. Maybe a more centralized list for people to call to fix stuff
  - v. +1 to officers being overworked. People don't want to be officers again.
  - vi. Fixing house problem solution: can the IFC as an entity negotiate contracts with outside vendors
  - vii. Someone has an FSILG checklist. These were the things that made all versions of our programs run. House maintenance. Better school wide transition documents. IFC checks in with houses about the checklist more individually. Track where

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everyone is lacking.

- viii. Having more input and resources from people that have experience maintaining buildings, which MIT has a lot of people that are experts in. MIT Facilities FSILG office hours?
- ix. Hard for officers to navigate everything that needed to be done
- x. How do you guys do cleanups? Any good systems? Weekly chores, get fined if you don't do it. Set the expectations. (2) people believe in the fines. People sell cleans to each other. (3) bump down rooming lotteries, give bad party jobs (4) group of brothers assigned for different area
- c. Covid policies in house
  - i. Common space rules don't seem that logistical
  - ii. Social events with masks make sense, but people living in the same space not needing to wear mask is a little dumb
  - iii. Everyone takes off mask to eat dinner, and then you are expected to walk to the chapter room with mask on and talk
  - iv. The social event scene is not great for masks, but this is seen everywhere on campus
  - v. Better mask distributions would be better
- d. Covid Testing
  - i. supply of tests across the river. Maybe we can reask this. each house knows how many tests they need
    - 1. Not a supply issue because regardless of if the test is taken from across the river or campus, its still the same number
  - ii. Some people only test once a week because they do not need to be on campus. They can put you on social ban perhaps?
  - iii. Penalized small houses
  - iv. 30 minute cooldown between testing. Can this be zero. Cannot show people at the door to let people through.
  - v. The inherent issue with reporting symptoms
  - vi. Medical calls take forever
  - vii. If you can show MIT police the cleared attestation, you should be able to go in
- e. Abolish greek movements
  - i. generally doesn't seem like people are scared to go to frats
  - ii. Make sure there is a strong stance and accountability
  - iii. at some point, likely going to address a coed issue
  - iv. IFC is decentralized. helps the greek community. if one messes up, can cut them loose
  - v. Give more information about the state of IFC. Weekly email of what the hell is going on which helps keep each other accountable and make sure that your house isnt part of the problem
    - 1. Number of police calls, transports, judd comm cases or displinacy outcomes
- f. SHARE / SAP

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