Big/Lil Sibling Program Chairs

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2011-2012

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Did you have a co-chair and if so, did you think it was helpful?

Yes. We brainstormed together and distribute the work.

What events did you hold? Please provide a short description and the degree of success (worse = 1 to excellent = 5) of each.

- * Formal Italian dinner in McCormick's Penthouse. Low attendance because of heavy rain and academics. Attendees liked it at lot (3)
- * Cheesecake Factory dinner for Big/Lil reveal. Very good attendance (5)
- * Pink-berry gathering in McCormick's Penthouse. Low attendance because of hurricane; people gave great feedback (4)
- * Daedalus dinner. High attendance. Everyone left happy and satisfied (5)

What went well this past year? For instance, was there a specific event that was most successful and should definitely be repeated?

Dinners at restaurants were popular and fun. It was a nice break and great opportunity to spend time with the assigned siblings

What didn't go well this past year? For instance, maybe there was lack of advanced planning for certain events.

Attendance was challenging because of course work, weather and last minute issues

What advice would you give for your position for next year?

Send surveys and bother people until you get a good amount of responses. Plan the events at least 3 weeks before and begin advertizing it one week before the event. Send reminders. Ask people to RSVP and don't overspend. Emphasize/encourage people to go with their families. Make the events fun

2010-2011

Emily Shao and Elli Pula

How did your position contribute to the mission of SWE as a whole? Do you think it adds value to SWE?

Helps connect upperclassmen w/ valuable experiences and thoughts to younger students to give them guidance and mentorship.

Please list all events that you and your co-chairs planned over the last year.

Big little reveal (spring)

Big little dinner

Big little reveal (fall)

Build-a-bear event

Which events were the least successful, and why?

Reveal - would like to see everybody there b/c it's the reveal, but this is just very difficult to coordinate w/ everybody's schedules

Which events were the most successful, and why?

SWE build-a-bear. Everybody loved it and were able to get a physical object and bond with their big/little.

Describe your working relationship with your co-chair if applicable. Include how you divided responsibility, how it well it worked, how you felt about working with this person overall, and whether your found it necessary/helpful to have a co-chair for your position. Did you know your co-chair before working with them in this position?

We worked well and divided the work very evenly. We knew each other beforehand. This job definitely needs a co-chair though b/c there is a lot of organizing and it's hard to get both people free at the same time.

Please list any important resources, contacts, and other relevant information for your position.

Try to organize one event a month

What do you wish you knew before you entered this position?

A clear breakdown of the budget to plan events properly

Is there anything you would have liked to do with your position, but didn't have the time or resources to do? Please describe.

Nope

Do you have any new ideas for this position?

Maybe create a family tree that can be viewed by everybody and updated year after year so that there is more opportunity to connect with people who aren't just your direct big or little

Where do you see the future of this position? What should we keep about it, change about it, add to it, or subtract from it? Do you think any of the responsibilities should be moved to other positions, and if so, please specify.

Keep it - it's a good way to connect people and help establish relationships with people in SWE

How do you define SWE? Where do you see the future of MIT SWE?

SWE is a group of women interested in engineering. See the future of MIT SWE pretty static - just continuing to do what it does and running the events it does.