The Loop: Team Reflection

<u>Things done well</u>
- We stuck to our design well
- Divided the work up well - each team member contributed significantly to design, coding, and reviewing
- Attendance and communication was great throughout the project
- We always referred to our coding conventions and group contract while making decisions

<u>Things that could've went better & how (lessons learned)</u>
- Execution on the last few days could've been better
  - We didn't complete the issues that we had made on GitHub
  - Should have assigned the tasks to people rather than only saying them
- When multiple branches are being merged into master, always test each merge before moving onto the next
  - Changes that make sense in the context of one branch might break something in another

Individual Comments

Mikael's Reflections

For each of the team members:
- Calvin
  - Calvin worked really hard on the final project. His attention to detail as shown through his solid code, and his great eye for catching things that should be fixed in pull requests, was very appreciated. My only comment for Calvin would be to maybe be a little more vocal during meetings and maybe restrict headphone use to individual work time because it makes getting someone's attention difficult.
- Christian
  - Christian was very appreciated because he always took the lead whenever the group needed him. He led the pitch presentation and generally took the lead during our TA meetings which was very appreciated. My only comments for Christian would be to improve timeliness, but overall awesome job.
- Richard
  - Richard was on top of it. He was fairly involved in most aspects of the project by virtue of answering questions, and giving lots of great pull request feedback. Nothing really to say to Richard other than keep it up.

Calvin's Reflections

For each of the team members:

- Christian
  - He did a great job with all of his work. He would ask questions if he needed help and planned out the structure of the page (frontend) and code (backend) before implementing it. For the most part, everything was done in a timely manner. There were a few things that could have been completed sooner, but for the most part, I have no complaints for his execution.
- Richard
  - Definitely a strong leader in the group in terms of implementing code and making sure things were completed in a timely manner. He goes above and beyond what is expected from him and implements features that we didn't even assign to anyone yet. Definitely a pleasure to work with, no complaints.
- Mikael
  - Excellent leader with speaking and leading group discussions, also very strong with coding. He always talks to us about his implementation and asks many questions if he is confused. My only complaint is the timeliness of creating users for the MVP, as it took longer than expected and gave us less time to integrate users with the different models (groups, events, etc) and test our website. Other than that, he did a very good job with implementing his assigned features.

Richard's Reflections

For each of the team members:

- Calvin
  - Codes neatly and robustly, with industry-level convention expectations that made the process, though painful for some, much smoother and cleaner than it would otherwise have been. Offers thorough feedback and challenges other group members to defend their decisions. A joy to work with.
- Christian
  - Works well within the group context; very dependable. Communicates well and implements his components so that they are very intuitive to interact with. Great UI instincts and implementation skills.
- Mikael
  - Solid team worker; approaches things from a higher level than a lot of programmers would, and devotes honest effort to his shares. Would benefit from more programming experience in professional team settings and getting really comfortable with a text editor of choice

Christian's Reflections

For each of the team members:

- Calvin
  - I felt that Calvin was one of the stronger coders in the group and implemented more than his share of the project. He has a good amount of technical expertise and understands good industry coding conventions. He was one to have his code quickly implemented and ready for review before deadlines. Calvin worked well with myself as well as within in the team.
- Mikael
  - I felt Mikael provided a very level-headed when thinking about our design and our MVP implementation. Rather than letting us get too bold and ambitious with both, Mikael kept us focused on what was the priority. The only criticisms that I can give Mikael are his tendencies to use his own habits rather than the conventions that the team had agreed on for coding. While its something small, it could be something to keep in mind. Other than that, I think Mikael worked well with myself and the rest of the group.
- Richard
  - I felt that Richard was the driving force behind the group and took a lot of initiative in getting the team going. He was generally the point of reference for any coding ideas we wanted to include, but were unsure if it was the correct way. Richard was also very dependable on having his code implemented and ready to be reviewed before the due date and was the usually the first to jump on any extra products or bugs that needed to be solved. I can't think of much to offer in terms of constructive comments, other to continue being a good teammate and coder.