

MCM Town Hall Minutes 1.28.14

- I. MASON Party
 - a. thanks and round of applause to socials!!! :D :D :D
 - b. heard from other colleges that we were great!
 - i. “not that I was surprised”
 - c. OLIVIA thank you so much to everyone for helping out!
 - d. MARGEUX and for bringing all your friends!
- II. Bylaws!!
 - a. ADAM
 - i. Housing and parking bylaws are complete!
 - ii. Any final questions? Nope? Ok! Let’s vote!!
 - b. DORIN
 - i. In favor = 16
 - ii. Opposed = 0
 - iii. Abstaining = 1
 - iv. Yay it passes! :D
- III. Honor Council Stuff ADRIANA
 - a. Chair of the honor council! Wonderful murt senior.
 - b. Hope to make discussions about making stuff more fair and less harsh punishments
 - c. Trying to repeal article 12 from constitution
 - i. Can withdraw from school for 2 semesters without penalty and charges will be dropped
 - ii. Used to be W on transcripts, didn’t say why on transcript,
 - iii. But now, out of our hands, registrar will but xii on transcript which says left because of honor code violation ☹
 - d. This is the only penalty except for suspension that happens on transcripts that are sent to other schools
 - i. Hurts students because shows to schools that
 - ii. We feel that article xii no longer reflects the spirit with which it was created
 - e. We’ve had to get it approved by a lot of people to get it onto the SA ballot and hopefully get onto the real ballot
 - f. EMILY if they repeal article xii will students have to go through proceedings when they come back?
 - i. Unsure as of now still,...
 - g. MASON and Gabriel and I are the McM reps in the SA and so we want you guys to have this info so you know you’re being represented by us!
- IV. Commencement Ceremony Changes
 - a. In years past, everyone’s, undergrad, grad, postdoc all read same day, long like 3 hours
 - b. And now there’s going to be an undergrad thing in the evening, shorter, get names read still, shorter and more undergrad-y

- c. And then the next day you get diploma and tassles and walk out sallyport
 - d. Talk to me or Dereth more about it later if you have questions!
- V. Bike Team \$\$ Reallocation GABRIEL
 - a. We've updated bikes with last semester's funds, and broke even yay
 - b. We're hoping to get new nice ones that will be shared between mens and women's teams, passed down through years
 - c. ROBIN how does that work sizing wise?
 - i. 5 female jerseys, 9 male jerseys
 - d. JOHN how would getting sponsorship on jerseys as EVP is supposed to go if these are supposed to last a long time?
 - i. These would last a long time so we wouldn't need new ones
 - e. WILL will they be top jerseys or the full-on speed ones?
 - i. Just top ones.
 - f. Also you can order them for like your parents, more family friendly
 - g. GRAHAM how much \$?
 - i. ~\$60
 - h. NICO who races first on beer bike day?
 - i. Women
 - i. VOTE
 - i. It passes yayyy
- VI. SENA and SKYE Rice Returnables
 - a. Biggest expenses of parties are often paper plates and utensils and stuff...
 - b. So we're gonna try a renewable thing where we have rentable, totally free service of sets of cups and plates and stuff and then it gets washed and for rent again
 - c. If naything is lost or broken you'll have to pay for that
 - d. They'll be plastic, lightweight and colors and stuff, not like servery plates
 - e. SHAAN events seem to be more cup intensive than plates....
Compensate for thate?
 - i. This is a pilot program here at McM so
 - f. Let us know if you have suggestions!
 - g. ROBIN it would be great for beer gardens because you cant leave anyway
 - h. JUAN can you check out multiple kits?
 - i. Yeah! We'll start out with 10 kits here
 - i. SHAAN are you going to be storing these in your room, Sena?
 - i. Hahah no we're figuring that out
 - j. NICO what if you damage or lose it?
 - i. You just pay to replace it, like \$1
 - k. It'll be cheaper anyway though yayyyy
- VII. Beer Bike Committee Reps
 - a. Theme?!?!?
 - b. Campus-wide said Arrusticated was iffy...

- c. We want to keep the theme though because it's awesome and we have a lot of ideas
 - i. Same tagline "There's always beer in the banana stand"
 - d. Vote by Thursday at midnight on poll we sent out!
 - i. Feel free to add themes in the 'other' section
- VIII. GABRIEL SA Stuff
 - a. Vote coming up!
 - b. Honor council stuff
 - c. Blanket tax stuff
 - i. Blanket tax = \$ everyone pays in tuition that goes to on campus things/organizations
 - ii. Catalyst the scientific student journal is asking for \$1 per student per year
 - 1. SA proposing sunset clause to review effectiveness of organization and funding in 3 years
 - iii. RESET = environmental fund that groups can apply to for environmental initiatives
 - 1. Needed to get renewed last year but didn't pass because not enough people voted
 - 2. So we're trying to bring that back
 - 3. \$9 from each person
 - 4. SENA this is actually broader than RESET, RESET was only for energy efficiency, this will now cover anyone who has anything environmental will be able to apply for funding now
 - 5. 90% to the fund itself, 10% to the environmental club
 - 6. TINA I wrote an article about this in the Thresher
 - a. These clubs can receive: Rice bikes, eco reps, rice endowments, envi club, rfr, envi committee nsr,
 - 7. SENA I'm president of rice engviromentla club, if you have any questions about what this goes to and the good it does, ask me! :D
- IX. Elections! TINA
 - a. Petitions and blurbs due at 5pm FRIDAY!
 - b. No advocating for anyone! Like on facebook or anything mass communicative. Its against constitution. But you can talk about it.
 - c. Speeches on Monday (president + debate, CJ) and Tuesday (all else)
 - d. Voting at lunch on 5th, 6th, 7th of February or online from the comfort of your own dorm room
- X. MASON Lion's Den Committee Dedication
 - a. Next Wednesday night!
 - b. And banners! YAYYY! IM college sports
 - i. Frisbee
 - ii. Women's volleyball
- XI. SENA green dorm initiative

- a. Coming up soon!
- b. Was in listserv and posted about it on fb
- c. Super easy, take surveys and log, compete against rest of campus, 1 theme/week, 3 weeks

XII. Crazy socks!

- a. Yayyy Sena made her socks!!! Cooooool! She won chunky monkey ben and jerry's!?! :O [I should've run with my corgi cowboy socks!]