McMurtry Town Hall – 11/29/2011

SA:

 College Masters and Presidents have looked into many different areas of residential college life and are thinking about a way to standardize these to make them the best that they can be. (check out the SA Minutes for more info)

Socials:

- Our public party is this Friday night!
- We are going for holiday themed, infused with scottish fire
- The only volunteers we still need are 2 female caregivers for that night
- Starting at 4pm on Friday afternoon we will be decorating so it would be awesome if you could all come out (We will be having a cookout in the quad as well so come hang out anyways!)
- Also, join the Facebook event

Treasurer:

 Give all receipts to Peter Abraham by the end of this week so that we don't have to worry about them during Finals Week

Vice President:

- Game Room
 - Our old game room head has withdrawn for the semester so our new game room heads are Vlad and Edgar
 - Vlad has taken the initiative and ordered a new Ping-Pong table and Edgar has set up a Wii in the TV Room which comes with Super Smash
- This semester we had some rooms open up in McMurtry so people who are off campus right now can apply for housing next semester

Hall Reps:

- 2 Yellow: Jessica Gan
- 2 Orange: Julian Navarro
- 3 Yellow: Tristanne Mock
- 3 Orange: Audrey Jones
- 4 Yellow: Peter Abraham
- 4 Orange: Robin Vest
- 5th Floor: Jordan Ashcraft
- The roles of Hall Reps are to help promote bonding and hall culture in every hall
- They are people who are visible in the college and can help you with things
- We are going to try them out for the rest of the school year and see how things go

Cleaning Policies:

- Gilbert has been trying to increase contact between H&D and the students
- Leaving plates outside of your room is grounds for being charged \$1 per item, which is charged to the room they are found outside of
- Gilbert met with H&D last week and they are very happy with everyone because after we started talking about the serveryware issues we saw a dramatic drop in number of problems
- Back to the issue of who cleans up after parties

- The current problem is that there is a lot of mess that is created by parties, which does not fall under the responsibilities of the McMurtry cleaning staff
- What we have agreed on is having a collaborative effort between students and H&D for the party messes
- The students will clean up beer cans, cups, small spillage, and bodily fluids
- H&D will give students until noon on the next day to clean up these things and if they are not cleaned by then then they will clean it and the area will be charged
- If you are a part of the mess then be a part of the cleanup

Alcohol Probation:

- The probation that was enacted by Dean Hutch last semester was a time for students to reflect on the drinking culture at Rice, but the hard alcohol ban was put in place by the Presidents and CJ's of all of the colleges
- So, if they lift the probation that does not yet mean that the hard alcohol ban will be lifted here at McMurtry
- The main thing we want people to know is that the probation is not the same thing as the ban
- Last night the Presidents presented a new plan for the lifting of the probation to Dean Hutch and he received it favorably
- There will probably be some changes coming soon
- Whether or not a ban exists, it does not mean that we forget about what we have created (caregivers, college court system, etc)

Other:

- McSkate is this Thursday at the ice rink in the Galleria at 10:15pm. If you are one of the first 150 people there it is free. If you are later then it is only 3.75 for skates
- Zenas, our Kitchen Rep, says they will be changing the salad bar options next semester. Email zoi1@ if you have any servery suggestions
- This Friday chef Roger volunteered to give us a cookout in the quad
- This Saturday we will be going to do some resale shopping and go to a cool Brazilian Cafe. We will need to carpool so if you have a car email <u>balabanlilar@</u>. Check out the recent listsery email from Lisa if you want to know more!
- McMurtry won its first ever college sports championship in College Ultimate! We are going to get the team to sign an IM champion shirt and hang it up in the Library.
- We are also going to try and get a McMurtry Ultimate IM team going so email mgs2 if you are interested
- The Deck Committee is still working and the administration is already designing the process for releveling the quad and once that is done then we can continue talking about the deck
- This coming Tuesday of dead days RPC will be having a huge study break at 9pm with PUPPIES!!!