

AAPS Officer's Meeting

Date: 1/23/2023

Meeting start time: 12:49 PM

Meeting end time: 1:46 PM

1. Attendance

- Present: Daniel, Jack, Emily, Evan, Claire, Leah, Riya, Spencer
- Absent: Huimei

2. Motions

- Motion by Jack to donate any unsold items after garage sale.
 - Second: Evan
 - Voting: 8 yes, 1 absent
 - Result: Pass
- Motion to make an AAPS Officer GroupMe by Claire.
 - Second: Evan
 - Voting: 8 yes, 1 absent
 - Result: Pass
- Motion to push coffee hours to February 3rd from noon to 2 PM by Jack.
 - Second: Emily
 - Voting: 8 yes, 1 absent
 - Result: Pass
- Motion to push coffee hours to February 24th from noon to 2 PM by Jack.
 - Second: Evan
 - Voting: 8 yes, 1 absent
 - Result: Pass
- Motion to host Super Bowl watch party by Jack at Leah and Claire's place.
 - Second: Evan
 - Voting: 8 yes, 1 absent
 - Result: Pass

3. Announcements

- Selling items at the writing workshop was a success. Sold 2 old items and 2 newer quarter zips. Planning to sell at an upcoming student org garage sale. Will make an excel google form to fill out for order and put it on website. Clothing and stickers for order.

4. Updates

- Chair/Vice Chair (Jack and Huimei)
 - Talked to Feola about Eli Lily trip, ideally would not cut into travel funds. Potentially at tail end of summer. More updates to come.
 - Organize events for February and March.
- Treasurer (Claire Deweese)
 - Checking Balance: \$2844.56
 - Set up Venmo, attached to Claire's personal account.
 - Making a GroupMe for AAPS.
- Historian (Leah Schrass)
 - Check bio on website and potentially update for last year's officers.
 - New officers create bio for website and send to Leah.
 - Need new Facebook profile photo.
 - Ad for coffee hours.

- Graduate Program Committee Rep (Emily Prantzas)
 - GPC meeting before Christmas break.
 - Discussion on mentorship outside of CoP. Would be acceptable if there is a co-mentor within CoP.
 - Potential ranking system for deciding mentor/mentee pairs.
 - Faculty want to buy students out of being a TA. GPC wants to maintain funding for the first years through TA unless grad student is hired by a specific lab.
- PhD Program Social Chair (Evan Miller)
 - Resurrecting SciCats volunteering. Need concrete number of people that are interested.
- Student Body Representative (Riya Trivedi)
 - Coffee hours discussion.
- Graduate Student Congress Rep (Spencer Peh)
 - Waiting for \$500 from the graduate school.

5. Upcoming Events

- Student org garage sale tabling.
- Coffee hours on February 3rd.

6. Event Planning

- Shift coffee conversations due to all rooms being taken.
- February coffee hour theme focused on qualifying exam committee meetings/first committee meetings.
- Discussion on moving qualifying exam panel to the end of April.
- CoP graduate student recruitment weekend in March.
- Superbowl event in February?
- March Madness watch party and bracket challenge (one paid for mech, one free) in March?
- Other ideas: driving range/golf, battle axes, bowling.

7. Action Items

- Send Leah bios for the website.
- Ask people in labs if they would be interested in SciCats volunteering and let Evan know if anybody is interested.
- Jack will reach out to Huimei about shirts.
- Jack will reach out about graduate student conference in Louisville.
- Evan will send out an interest form about SciCats.