

New Initiatives Meeting #3
Thursday, November 15, 2012

Agenda

I. Election Feedback

- a. Lack of nominations...how to get electees/actives more interested in leadership positions?
 - Maize page was confusing(?), problems with login, perhaps a better submission type (google form)...last year was better
 - Not enough exposure with officers, daily/weekly/monthly commitments
 - earlier understanding of jobs
 - meeting before officer explains their role?
 - fireside chat
 - explain benefits of being an officer, DA, PA
 - first comity "what being an active is"
 - have it in writing but also personal explanation, officer, few officers talk per meeting
 - time commitments
 - not aware of incentive to be an officer...
 - electees – "closed loop" of actives, grad student electees don't get group leaders ...lacking connection/info (cornerstone)
 - assigned actives to group (suggest actives get more involved with electees)
- Include a link in the announcements with last meetings cornerstone and agendas

II. Website

- a. What kinds of things would we like to see added?
(eg NI topic submissions, more interactive (polls), etc)
 - post agendas on the website (for electee meetings)
 - Not clear where cornerstone is on website
 - Group leader projects in own separate area
 - Should have surveys/sign-ups built into website
 - Send reminders day before an event happens, add to google calendar, changes in event times/place
 - Disable unsign-up? 24 hours before event
 - a. Project leaders notified when people add/drop
 - New service event alert
 - Label new events in announcements
 - Automatic hour handling (ie after 1 mindset turns into hours...instead of mindset credit)
- Too many emails to electees(?)

- a. Group leaders, project leaders
- But this is necessary information
- There is a website plan...

III. Foo Bar

- a. Any new updates?
 - ECRC credit card receiver
 - Student orgs list – gauge interest

IV. Electee Requirements

- a. Consequences of lowering requirements
 - i. Few key requirements that give you many hours at one time
 - ii. Don't do those events...builds up (1 hour at a time)
 - iii. Make grad electee requirements more clear (eg Career fair)
 - iv. Group social meeting – make it more social/more bigger events?
 - Group leader budget...
 - Group meetings not emphasized, difficult to meet with members
 - Location and schedule matching
 - Formalizing group “training” toward beginning of semester
 - Many events at end of the semester – difficult to fit hours in at that point
 - a. “self-fulfilling prophecy” of more events at end of semester b/c electees wait until later to sign up
 - Don't lower service requirement amount (grad students)– TBP is about service
 - v. Benchmarking – very helpful
 - vi. Threshold for hours
 - vii. Reasons for not electing: couldn't make first comity, didn't see value in TBP (what is that value)