SGA Cabinet  
Meeting Summaries  
September 27, 2021

Cabinet Updates  
Samuel Ellis, President

COVID-19 Recovery Task Force

- Cases declining in GA
  - 13.76% positivity rate
  - Down from 18% two weeks ago
- ICU usage is 90% for metro ATL
- FulCo positivity rate ~9%
- Campus cases are declining at a steep rate
- Rolling average is 5.7 cases between surveillance testing and Stamps
- People in quarantine has dropped off to 6 students
- Stamps vaccine clinic occurs once a week
- FDA rejected booster shots for broad population
  - Approved for 65+ and those at severe risk for illness
  - Testing strong - 7800 tests last week
- Task force wants to write best practices for faculty including livestreaming all classes
- Meeting with Cabrera, Dr. Hong, Bert Reeves, and Dean Stein

IFC Advocacy

- Working on increasing testing and assuring that classroom accommodations will be made
- Connecting Allison re: recycling at parties
- IFC President has exciting ideas for incentivizing sustainability

Legal Advising

- Bing helping us create outreach for finding new attorneys

FEB

- USG rejected Senate Faculty Resolutions
- Tenure policy disputes being dealt with soon

Ajanta Choudhury, Executive Vice President

- Planning MPP meeting to discuss how we can expand MPP's presence on campus and how we can secure institutional funding so it's a permanently offered program
- Meeting with Dr. Hong this week - topics I'll be discussing: telehealth, MPP, accessibility, Manali's rest idea
  - Dr. Hong made some suggestions re: telehealth:
- being open to targeted solutions for different groups of students (i.e. different solution for students studying abroad vs students interning/co-oping)
- identifying if there are liability costs associated with the Psypact licensures as well as what to do if an individual provider doesn't want to take on additional licensure
- codifying scope of need and different reasons for improved telehealth access
- considering orgs that specialize in telehealth to potentially contract with
- working with other/all USG campuses on this

- Rohan, Aanjan, and I will be meeting with Dr. Ianetta (LMC Chair) to see how we can coordinate on ELL
- Bridgette, Sunday, and I are meeting this Friday at 3 PM with GT's ADA Compliance Coordinator

John Graves, JVP of Finance

- SCPC
- SMILE written decision
- Budget Orientation Sessions
- Student Needs Committee
- 10/4 org monthly newsletter
  - Let me know if you would like any message included

Megan Dass, JVP of IT

- Met with Po-Shen Lo for NOVID
- Met with folks from OIT about a OSCAR Update
- Adding modal window to Course Critique for syllabus repo
- Planning an IT board-wide meeting
  - do we have extra name tags anywhere?

Allison Vermaak, JVP of Infrastructure and Sustainability

- Green Network: Reaching out to admin this week to invite them to our admin announcements channel. The purpose of this is to send updates to admin about what events we have planned and to receive event updates from them.
- Safety-Walk: Looking to schedule this for the week of October 14th
  - Working with Granger to establish a list of admin and student leaders to invite
  - Working with Sunday and Chief Connolly on a schedule for the walk itself
  - Working on transparency with data- where is accessible and understandable data on the GTPD website.
- GSGA: Adding grads to the infrastructure and sustainability committees
- Zero-waste game days
- Nazia: seeking more information about what kinds of consulting positions she needs students to fill.
Rohan Sohani, VP of Academic Affairs

- OSI
  - working on the detailing (ready by next week)
- Compiling data on Transfer Experience
  - Institute comms wants to make a story highlighting profs
- Career Center
  - reviewing proposal

Bridgette Davenport, VP of Campus Services

Parking:

- Setting up a meeting with Dr. Hong asap to review both my action items (bike repair shop and updated bus routes) as well as Emmett's concerns (Stamps parking and general ticketing on campus)
- Working with Emmett on a parking regulations analysis to review overall compliance and how we can change the rules to work best for students

Housing:

- Meeting with Dr. Cotton to address some concerns and decide course of action; the agenda items will be: infrastructure checks on campus, increased transparency with students, effective forms of communication to calm down upset parents on Facebook

Dining:

- Slutty Vegan signed a contract and Tech Dining will be rolling out our own personal food truck soon to address some of the clustering on central campus
- Working on a living doc that will provide details on dietary restriction friendly foods around campus
- Still working to address supply shortage & issues in general, but feedback is showing improvements
- Meeting with Tech Dining admin tomorrow to discuss the potential need to reduce hours

Campus Safety:

- Met with Chief Connolly last week to address SGA & Tech's relationship with their team to see how we can have a better relationship
- Working on an updated survey to send from SGA regarding student's safety concerns that ideally would be sent out every year as a good metric
- My committee chair is working with Allison on the Safety Walk
Other:

- The first Student Advisory BookStore Meeting is tomorrow afternoon
- Meeting with CRC team to go over a couple of minor issues on Friday
- Meeting with Ajanta/Sunday and ADA team to review campus compliance

Anika Gouhl, VP of Communications

- Community fridge promo'd
- Asking daily digest for a syllabus repo feature
- Wreck the Vote Week
  - Tabling promo (Tues/Thurs)
  - Political Debate (Thurs)
- Mayoral Forum Flyer
  - reworking, with updated attendance (top 5 candidates)
- Launching Cab discussion highlights today
- Sept Newsletter out Friday
  - Repo
  - Community fridge
  - Text n’ Tell program
  - Atlanta mayoral forum
  - Atl political happenings

Grace Swift, VP of External Affairs

- Community Fridge launched!! Thank you all for all of your support! Feel free to stop by anytime and grab groceries or supplies, or stock it when you have extras!
- Wreck the Vote Week starts tomorrow!
  - Tabling Tuesday-Thursday 11-1
  - Political Org Debate 7pm Thursday - Bill Moore Student Success Center - Cary Auditorium
- Atlanta Mayor Forum
  - Saturday at 9am at Kendeda! Please come!

Zizi Ohamadike, VP of Operations

- feedback form - created a feedback form for cabinet, it is pinned to the cab channel on slack
- Committees - applications are rolling in! Let me know if any chairs (or if you) have any questions about the process!
- Ordering SGA graduation stoles

Derek Huell, VP of Student Life

- Flexible Undergraduate Research Opportunities
- URA Database now designates remote options
- Athletes and others with difficult schedules just need to attend office hours with URA to evaluate remote options

**Interactive art installation**
- Want to coordinate installation in CULC with SMILE
- Finalizing exact CULC location with Aaron Leslie Sharp
- Working with GTPD for camera installation
- Will take a snapshot everyday to show progress until board is full
  - Better Together: How to make complementary collaborations
  - With Center for Student Engagement
- How RSOs student organizations can collaborate with campus and community partners to increase collective resiliency and build sustainable projects
  - October 14, 2021
  - 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM
  - Virtual

*Mihir Kandarpa, VP of Well-Being*

**Mental Health**
- Held first Mental Health Network meeting last week, [Notes here](#)
- First Mental Health Committee meeting this week!
- Prioritizing Mental Health Comms project for this week. Defining the scope of the project with Rishi
- Satellite Counselor interview next Wednesday; reaching out to students this week in different RSOs to join. I can't make it so will need someone to run it (ideas?)
- Meeting with Dr. Bradley next week to look over JED Objective updates and how it compares to ISP progress and Rishi/my priorities.

**Public Health**
- Chairs and I (TBD) are meeting with Ajanta to get status update on MPP
- I was reached out by PJ to work with Health Initiatives and Stamps to expand STI testing. My Chairs will be the Lead for the Well-being team on this
- Working with PTS' & Stamps' Social Media lead to put together Flu Vaccine campaign (next week)

**Sexual Violence**
- Riya (JSVAC Chair) met with Chris Griffin to discuss new Title IX policies and how this has changed the case process
- JSVAC's first meeting this week!
- Listen to Grace's update on CPC Sexual Violence

**Public Health Chairs - AED and MPP expansion**
- Addressing stigma around mental health through education, outreach, and communications campaigns
- Updating and distributing resources and policies around sexual & domestic violence
● Launching public health awareness campaigns outside of COVID including a flu vaccine campaign
● Increasing student participation in Mental Health
● Creating a repository for all Well-being resources!
● Reaching out to Comms Coordinator finalists this Thursday to begin interview process

Other Updates
● ISP Workgroups meet tomorrow to discuss progress on action steps
● Preparing a 5 min presentation to ISYE Faculty on Thursday regarding well-being in the classroom
● Preparing a charter for an ad-hoc committee that will develop SGA's Health + Well-being Policy (presenting next week)

Rohan Rege, Speaker of the House

● UHR Meeting tomorrow
● Need one more appointment to both JFC and MHJAC
● Presentation about Georgia Tech traditions
● Select Committees
  ○ One select committee has been created! Deciding chair by end of this week
● Another rep has brought up an idea for a second committee (putting on your radar)

Recruitment
● Six new representatives have been added to the House! Still interviewing more candidates (fingers crossed)
● Keep sharing the application with your peers and others who you feel may be a good fit for the House

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**Important Dates, Deadlines, Announcements**

● **Next Cabinet Meeting:** October 4, 2021

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**Meeting Adjourned**