



Meeting Agenda and Reports  
Monday, September 26th, 2016

**Upcoming Events / Meetings**

1. Homecoming Pep Rally
  - a. **10/21/16** Time TBD
2. Homecoming
  - a. **10/22/16** All Afternoon
3. Tree Lighting
  - a. **12/1/16** Time TBD

**Position Updates**

1. President
  - a. F@CU Guidelines Update
    - i. Process at the end of the year where all 4 councils and governing boards meet to see how much money each club will get.
    - ii. Discussion about how the allocation is determined
    - iii. Reaching out to clubs to see how they would like the criteria to be set
  - b. Special Election
    - i. Estimated by the end of October according to CEB
  - c. Newsletter
    - i. Send blurbs + links by tomorrow 9/27 @ 7pm
  - d. ESC Facebook Page
    - i. Tell your committee VP for posts or events that you want the rest of ESC to share
  - e. Accessibility in Engineering buildings
    - i. Talked to Scott Wright about adding more bathrooms / classrooms to be accessible
2. VP Student Life
  - a. Meeting with Ixchel
    - i. Collaboration School Wide
    - ii. Challenges with Homecoming / Tree Lighting
      1. Undergraduates fund it, but Grad students also come and grab free t-shirts and resources
      2. Challenges:
        - a. Not every graduate school has a student council
    - iii. President Bollinger Presence
      1. She will ask to see if he can come to these events
  - b. Midnight in Mudd
    - i. November timeframe (look out for volunteer emails!)
  - c. Meeting with Andrew
    - i. Need volunteers to attend meeting to discuss ideas
    - ii. NSOP event ideas / modifications **please send to Piyushi!**
      1. Tech how-to's

2. Optional tech workshops
3. VP Policy
  - a. Lawns Outreach
    - i. Dean Kromm
    - ii. Get signs on the lawn so that we know when the hours are
      1. Also include phone numbers to reach out to facilities
    - iii. By having hours that the lawns are open, it will help so that student can better use this great resource
  - b. Smoking Survey
    - i. Written & ready to go
    - ii. POSTED!**
  - c. Identity Based Positions for Council
    - i. Special Elections to be Held
  - d. CEB
    - i. Questionable rules & administrative structures within Columbia Elections Board
      1. CCSC appoints the CEB which oversees CC and SEAS elections
  - e. LGBTQ Student Center on Campus
    - i. Consider space in Lerner
    - ii. We are the only Ivy that does NOT have a student center for LGBTQ Center.
4. VP Finance
  - a. Project Grants
    - i. Applications due this **Saturday at 11:59PM!**
    - ii. Email sent to almost all engineering student groups
5. VP Communication
  - a. Website overhaul
  - b. Gathering info for Piazza project
  - c. Posting first ESC blog post next week
    - i. Featuring CSI
6. 2018 President
  - a. Just Desserts
    - i. THIS THURSDAY**
  - b. Meet and Greet
    - i. Date and Location TBD
    - ii. Catered towards 3-2 students
  - c. CCE Meeting
    - i. Will be posted Wednesday
  - d. ESC + CCSC
    - i. "Less than" "three"
    - ii. Trivia-mania
      1. Jeopardy style event
    - iii. Boat Cruise
    - iv. Apparel
7. Student Groups Rep
  - a. JCC Facebook Event
    - i. JCC is a fund for undergraduate groups
      1. New events
      2. Travel
      3. Emergencies

- ii. Create year-long FB event and post weekly updates about funding decisions
      - 1. Make sure the students are aware of this!
    - iii. Blasting invites
- 8. Technology Rep
  - a. ESC Website [www.columbiaesc.com](http://www.columbiaesc.com)
    - i. Updated -> borked -> fixed + reformatted -> prettiness.
    - ii. Content now front and center
    - iii. Design work with Asher to make it more aesthetically pleasing
    - iv. Looking for updates to committee pages from VPs
    - v. Anthony will send out a form that people can submit for basic info for each student council member

### **Discussion Topics**

1. Blue Java Mudd Cafe Morning Hours (Campus Affairs Rep)
  - a. Opens at 9am; Close at 7pm Mon - Thurs
  - b. Used by grad and undergrad who have 8:40am
    - i. Open at 8am?
  - c. Point of Contact?
    - i. Vicki Dunn
  - d. Talk to the employees who are working at the Cafe
2. Weekly Newsletter (VP Finance & VP Student Life)
  - a. Meeting minutes
  - b. Don't forget to send your weekly newsletter and cc [esc@columbia.edu](mailto:esc@columbia.edu)
  - c. Should we switch to bi-weekly?
    - i. Weekly might be too frequent and people won't open them
  - d. Use the esc website to post newsletters there as well
  - e. Formatting the Newsletter
    - i. Avoid just having a long list of events and description
  - f. Add Columbia Tip of the Day**
3. NSOP Modifications
  - a. Provide information to engineers to study abroad earlier because it becomes more difficult after sophomore and junior year
  - b. Mandatory Sustainability Practices Event
    - i. Recycling, Trash, Compost
    - ii. What goes in which bin