Thayer Council
Meeting Minutes
11/02/10

I. Welcome
   1. Introduction / Attendance

II. Updates
   1. Degree Representatives:
      • AB – Annie... Absent
      • BE – Sean... Absent
      • MEM – Allie
         i. Faculty questions on future of 390 program.
      • MS – Jeff... No news
      • PhD – Geneva, Regina... No News
   2. Committee / School Reps:
      • GSC
         i. Mohit Daga, Lois St Brice, Steve Reinitz, and Karan Shah are the new GSC reps.
         ii. The food drive is ongoing; there is a donation box at Kathy’s desk.
      • DMS... Absent
      • Tuck
         i. Invited Tuck student board to Friday beers this week.
      • Dean/Faculty
         i. Dean’s lunch was last week. faculty meeting Thursday.
      • MS/PhD
         i. Recent talk about PhD candidates TAing classes... concerns about time commitments, and whether grants should be reimbursed. Should First year Phds not assigned to labs be required to TA? Looking for student input... blitz Steve Reinitz.
      • Career Services... Absent
   3. Clubs:
      • DFR... Absent
      • DSE
         i. Homecoming BBQ went well, not as many people as expected.
         ii. Planning for Steak and Champagne has begun.
      • IEEE
         i. Planning “study break” / info session for finals period in December.
      • Lego League... Absent
      • SWE
         i. Coarse selection advice session in the Great Hall tomorrow, 11/3.
         ii. Speaker, Dr. Sally Shoop from CRREL, coming to talk on 11/17. Dinner provided.
III. **Thayer Council Events/Business**

1. **Officer Elections**
   - Info sessions on officer positions planned for next week – look for blitzes.
   - Elections will be held at the next meeting.

IV. **Funding**

1. **Budget update**
   - $1360 for approval today
2. **Funding Request – Diwali Celebrations... approved $400**
3. **Funding Request – IEEE “Study break”... approved $300**
4. **Funding Request – MEMC Bowling Night... approved $360**
5. **Funding Request – SWE Dinner/talk... approved $220**
6. **Funding Request – NSBE Lunch/talk... approved $80**

V. **Comments/Questions/Misc. Business**

1. A question was raised as to whether there would be interest in spending TC funds on things to improve student life in labs/study spaces (e.g. speakers, posters, etc.).
   - Suggested to create online survey to gauge interest in certain items before submitting funding request.

VI. **Adjourn**