

AIS Steering Minutes  
February 14, 2010

**Attendance:**

Absence: Juli van Hoeven

Executive Updates:

1. Carol and Gandhi
  - a. Suzanne and Rob Nelson, Troy, Rudy for ISO
2. Gandhi:
  - a. meeting Monday with Jordan Pascucci to present SAP and Yield Project
  - b. meeting with Patricia Rose Career Services, Elise Betz, Doug Berger for mailing, Valerie de Cruz for GIC
3. Florentina:
  - a. got project proposal from everyone except ISO, look amazing
  - b. put together a calendar, hard for advocacy to have set goals
4. Cynthia
  - a. Newsletter sent out
  - b. some steering members didn't get in (that's because they're not on the GB listserv)
  - c. take Florentina and Trixie out on GO groups admin
5. Chloe
  - a. will start making budget after receiving the Project proposals
  - b. SAC meeting this wednesday
  - c. will give reimbursements soon
6. Social - Olly
  - a. meeting last week - 19 active members
  - b. downtown party, two weeks after spring break, FISO
    - i. top themes for downtown: rave and jungle fever,
  - c. Fling BBQ later, exactly same as last year,
  - d. AIS date party - week before reading days (our formal) (via party bus to Atlantic City - only thing to do without ID- Strip Club)
  - e. more internal - bimonthly BYO start in March, first thursday/friday
  - f. non-alcoholic dave and busters, bowling
    - i. kelly suggested roller blading arena \$5 per person, 100 person trip for bus rent
7. US Community Engagement - Nhat
  - a. first meeting, good turn out - 9 people showed up
  - b. new ideas:
    - i. hershey park and Amish community
    - ii. go to the beach (Jersey Shore!)
  - c. basketball game in march group discount
    - i. \$15-30 palestra, AIS may subsidize
    - ii. Cynthia: put it in newsletter, gage interest
  - d. trip to six flags in April
    - i. 19 people group discount for \$25 per person in
    - ii. workout cost for transportation
    - iii. bus for 30 people, steering is going
  - e. Ben Bracman: U-serve

8. Alumni & Employment - Arjun
  - a. second meeting: 2 members showed up, 2 emailed no show
  - b. career fair
  - c. MBA mentoring program, MBA-graduate?
  - d. work with graduate international students
  - e. Alumni newsletter
    - i. have alum listserv
    - ii. once every semester
  - f. survey newsletter
    - i. found out what kind of jobs/internships AIS members want
  - g. Resume book?
    - i. don't know what happened, it was a very small book
9. Advocacy - Barbora and Nana
  - a. Training for Yield first week after spring break
  - b. March 17-31: 2 Info Sessions for Ambassadors
  - c. Training Session: first half of April
  - d. International Chat: need list of admits
  - e. create list: Name and Country
    - i. through committee members: easiest place => New business
10. IMP - Jannelyn
  - a. make form
  - b. training session the week after Spring break
  - c. 3 different times of the week
  - d. Gandhi: make facebook event
  - e. Carol: Information session before? Since people need to be more committed this year, they should go to an information session first
  - f. Others: no need of that, allow people to quit before a certain time, different session for old mentors?
  - g. plan fall 2010 social, mandatory for mentor to show up to at least one event
  - h. Carol will talk to Jannelyn about what to do with training

#### Old Business

1. Olly - Relay for Life
  - a. Downtown party is the thursday before
  - b. March 26 Friday
  - c. individually sign up at Relay for Life penn
  - d. each team limited to 16
  - e. email friends to donate money
  - f. everyone sleeps at the palestra, we can rent tent, more likely if we have enough people or have our own fundraiser
2. UC Application
  - a. due tomorrow
  - b. took out exchange, put in financial aid
3. UMC meeting on Wednesdays
  - a. Carol will go
4. Project Proposal

- a. still need ISO's
- b. CC Chloe on budget issues

## New Business

### 1. ISO

- a. Previous concern: Housing fee
- b. have a integrated ISO, NSO, ESO
  - i. during NSO moveout, social events of ISO
  - ii. during NSO, high recommended events for international students
  - iii. one day: all social activities on Thursday
  - iv. setting up a calendar, breakfast for international students with the provost
  - v. involve iPHINS, paid by NSO office
  - vi. our events will be on NSO calendar that thousands of people will receive
  - vii. open our activities to the rest of the communitiy
  - viii. 2011: entire international day

### 2. A Year in the life with AIS

- a. share with Carol's gmail account
- b. plan reading day events: rent a study room

### 3. Ben Brackman