

18 October 2019

Presiding: Jess

Attending: Kurt, Apurva, Clayton, Xiao, Carly, Vik, JT, Dr. Morgan, Ayse (late)

1. Kurt
 - a. Pumpkin carving is now joint with PGSO, meaning that it will now feature ice cream (!!)
 - b. Turkey Run hike tomorrow
 - i. Good attendance
 - ii. Will meet in front of MSEE on Northwestern
 - c. Planning a trip to the pumpkin patch
 - i. 38 cents/pound pumpkin
2. Dr. Morgan
 - a. Running the 5k tomorrow! (good luck!)
 - b. Kurt: Has the Super TA thing been approved?
 - i. Meeting of grad chairs this afternoon, so will find out then
 - ii. Probably find out soon
 - c. Concern about catalysis projects
 - i. Not too bad now
3. Vik
 - a. Officer profiles will start this week
 - b. Poster up
4. Carly
 - a. Halloween: going to bake stuff for FYs
 - b. Advisor form due next Friday
 - c. Board game mentor-mentee night went well
 - d. Potentially a department (+faculty) board game night
5. Xiao
 - a. Had future postdoc seminar
 - i. More than 25 people came
 - ii. People thought it was good
 - b. To Dr. Morgan: Who is on the hiring committee?
 - i. Greeley (Chair), Ribeiro, Agrawal (?)
 - c. Planning the future faculty seminar; want to invite someone who is on the inside instead of just junior professors
6. JT
 - a. Got a few indoor soccer teams
 - b. Had a safety committee meeting; nothing new this time
 - c. Talked about need for exit signs in office
 - d. Talked about chairs for ergonomic issues
 - e. Someone from PGSO talked to JT about an issue or something...?
7. Clayton
 - a. Comment: Not enough chairs in 3062 conference rooms
 - i. None of us here ever had any problems with regards there
 - b. Comment: Water dispenser on first floor being gotten rid of

- i. Want a replacement
- ii. Outside G060s
- iii. Vik: Potentially looking at subsidizing it?
 - 1. Probably not affordable

8. Apurva

- a. Murdock has been going swimmingly
- b. Kids are having fun
- c. Pushkar spoke to Jess and Apurva about using Murdock to spread awareness about climate change to parents
 - i. Potentially doing it to PTAs and using it as an advertisement for Murdock
 - ii. Use it as a way to get more kids to Murdock
- d. Purdue has kids days as well
 - i. Can use it to involve parents potentially?
- e. Dr. Morgan: Maybe not a good idea to push for parents, but it's a long shot for parents to show up.
- f. Vik: How about doing a weekend day where we have a family day where people from the community come to Forney to learn about science?

9. Jess

- a. Cooking demonstration in two weeks
 - i. Non-Purdue affiliated people can come too

10. Ayse

- a. Currently have \$22k in bank for GSO
- b. Proposal for an event
 - i. Cocktail meeting with grad students (after quals)?
 - ii. Voice their concerns among students
 - iii.