Arts and Sciences Staff Council

10/13/2020 , Tuesday

4:00pm – 4:19pm

* The Arts and Sciences Staff Council convened for their nomination and induction meeting at approximately 4:00pm
* All current members were in attendance, except for Chris Miller
  + A reason for Chris’ absence is not known, but this meeting does not count against him for purposes of membership
* All prospective members present at the 10/5 meeting were also present for this meeting
  + Catherine Brereton, Emily Cheatham, Katia Davis, David Nealis, Miguel Prieto-Valle, and Suann Reese
* To begin the meeting, the current staff council members voted unanimously to induct all of the prospective members. Congratulations new members!
* The next set of nominations was for the leadership roles in the council
  + Chair
    - Chris Gurtcheff nominated Becca Roark for the position, and Andrew Fast seconded
    - No other nominations were made, votes were collected anonymously, and Becca won by unanimous vote
  + Vice-Chair
    - Becca Roark nominated Chris Gurtcheff for the position, and Camille Harmon seconded
    - No other nominations were made, votes were collected anonymously, and Chris won by unanimous vote
  + Recording Secretary
    - Catherine Brereton self-nominated for the position, and Becca Roark seconded
    - No other nominations were made, votes were collected anonymously, and Catherine won by unanimous vote
* At the conclusion of nominations, a formal meeting time was determined for future council meetings. After some discussion, the time of 11:00am on the second Thursday of every month was chosen.
* A brief discussion the A&S Staff Spotlight followed
  + Special thanks was given to Camille Harmon and Chris Miller for submitting their information already (as backups and as needed). Other members were reminded to send in their name, department, photo, and fun facts to Becca.
  + The first non-council staff member to be selected for the newsletter was Diane Riddell from the Physics and Astronomy department.
    - **To do:** Suann Reese agreed to reach out to Diane and ask for her time and cooperation in the newsletter
* The final business item for the meeting was discussion of the Halloween event, including specific dates and awards.
  + There will be three categories of events: Personal costume, Pet/Family costume, Home/Yard costume
  + **To do:** Camille will make trophies for the Pet/Family and Home/Yard categories, but not the Personal costume because that trophy already exists from the previous year
  + **To do:** Staff will be emailed on either 10/13 or 10/14 with details, and picture submissions will occur between now and October 25th.
  + On October 26th polling will begin, and will close on October 29th
  + **To do:** Chris will generate polls in Microsoft Forms showing all submissions
  + Early in the morning on October 30th the council will tally the votes and announce a winner
  + Trophies will be delivered at some point after that (TBD based on winners)
* With no other business to attend to, the Staff Council adjourned their meeting at 4:19pm