



**Open Meeting Agenda
October 4th, 2017**

1. Introduction **6:30- 6:35**

2. Town Hall Update **6:35-6:40**

On average 8 people attend
Feedback collected

Q: Who is my at-large representative?

A: At-large representatives demonstrate

3. Dean's meeting update **6:40-6:55**

Professional Development Funds:

- \$2500 starting in 2015 cohort
- Description of professional development varies department-to-department
- Advisor's approval needed
- When applying for GSC funds, specify whether considered PD money

Q: Why does this apply only to students after 2015?

A: Initiative started in 2015 by Xiau Li Meng who led a capital campaign to endow the program for future students

MB TA:

- Piloting technology of "all-in-one" student ID with College freshmen
- Considering alternative plans (monthly and/or summer), but the administration is limited by MBTA plan offers
- MIT is a pilot program and not a regular offering by the MBTA

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- Launch on October 1 for PhD students
- Doesn't look like it has launched ([check back here](#))

4. Committee Recruitment Update

Proposal

- Recruitment to be held in the beginning of the academic year only (September Open Meeting)
- Vote if more than one candidate is interested
- Any unfilled committees after the first meeting will be filled on a first come, first serve basis
- Share more feedback here: <http://bit.ly/GSC-Committee>
- We will propose specific language of constitutional or by-law amendment for vote and approval at the next open meeting

1. Proposal - vote to start the process of updating the internal committee (seconded, approved)
2. Keep the existing committee members on the Graduate Education (26-14-3)

Bring up Graduate Policy Committee at Dean's Meeting

5. Treasurer's updates

6:55-7:05

- a. Funding Committee seeking one member
Nominations: Andy Keefe
- b. Free/discounted media and technology services for graduate student groups
- c. Vote to approve GSG/DGSO funding
 - i. Reminder: this funding must be spent by the Spring 2018 funding deadline (2/23/18)

Absent:

Humanities and Social Sciences Graduate Career Group at GSAS
Harvard GSAS Consulting Club
Harvard Big Data Association in GSAS
Harvard Graduate Christian Community

Budget Approved

6. Humans of GSAS

7:05-7:10

7. Pub Crawl Update

7:10-7:20

8. Open floor: Comments, Questions, Suggestions

7:20-7:30

Announcements:

1. Fall conference grant funding deadline: **10/13/17**
2. Deadline to renew student groups: **10/27/17**
3. Events Publicity Form
4. Advisory Committee on Shareholder Responsibility
 - a. Tobias Egle
 - b. Shandra Jones