Yale College Council  
Council of Representatives Meeting  
Sunday, February 8, 2014  
Meeting Fourteen

Agenda Items

1. Project Proposal: Bike rack placement  
2. Project Proposal: Move out time

Attendance

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Minutes

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**Bike Rack Placement**
- Presentation [SHANNON]
  - Background info
    - Bike riders are unhappy with lack of bike racks around campus
    - Would prefer more bike racks with more convenient placement
    - Some existing bike racks are difficult to use and need replacement
  - Informal surveys
    - Contacted bike riders through FB, email, and mutual friends
    - Received unanimous feedback on the need for a larger number and better placement of bike racks
    - Students focused on the following places:
      - Commons
      - Bass
      - Old Campus
      - Science Hill
      - HGS
      - Blue State on Wall St.
      - Around residential colleges
  - Current bike racks
    - Bike racks around Blue State (on Wall St.), HGS, and Calhoun have been reported to be overcrowded
    - Bike racks in front of RH and many residential colleges have been reported to be difficult to use
    - Bike racks around RKZ and WLH are reported to be of better quality and are preferred by students
  - Recommendation
    - Generously increase the number of bike racks around campus
    - Place more bike racks around Commons, Bass, Science Hill, Old Campus, classrooms, residential colleges, and Blue State
    - Purchase the types of bike racks found in front of WLH and RKZ

- VOTE: PASSED by unanimous consent

**Move out time in Spring Semester**
- Presentation [GRANT]
Students must vacate their rooms by noon the day following the last exam group (7PM-10PM)

- Storage in residential colleges; paid off-campus storage

- Issues:
  - Undue stress & lack of sleep for students with late exams
  - Safety concerns
    - Propped entryways
    - Heavy lifting
  - Chaotic environment on last day

- Potential limitations

  - Logistical
    - Administrative timeline w/ move-out, commencement, and reunions
    - Unwillingness to change the academic calendar again
    - Limitations with Master’s Offices and key returns/storage

  - Academic
    - Inability to change exam schedules

  - Facilities
    - Current timeline necessary for Facilities workers

- Proposal

  1. Insert a buffer day between the final exam group and required move-out
  2. Remove the 7PM exam group on the final day of exam period
  3. Maintain student swipe access until 5PM on the final day

- Discussion

  - Sarika: I think in Spring semester, the last exam on the day before move out is at 2:30, which means we have more time to move out than in fall semester. Which makes sense because we
  - David: We’d also want to make it clear that we

- VOTE: PASSED with unanimous consent