



Ivy Summit 2009
October 9-11, 2009

**Audio Files from the Ivy Summit Breakout Sessions
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Session 1: 2:40 - 3:30pm

Theme
A. Annual President’s Meeting
B. The Economic Situation & Its Impacts on the University
C. Student Housing: Where the University & the City Merge

10 minute break (for snacks/coffee –{located in ILR CC 429} & for changing rooms)

Session 2: 3:40 - 4:30pm

Theme
D. Recruitment & Retention in Student Organizations
E. Sustainability Initiatives on Campus
F. Graduate Student Benefits

10 minute break

Session 3: 4:40 - 5:30pm

Theme
G. Shared Governance at the University: a Discussion with a Student Trustee*
H. Intercampus Collaboration
I. Creating Dialogue About Diversity on Campus

** = Audio File not available.
Clicking the link will bring up
the notes from the session*

Ivy Summit Workshop Notes: Shared Governance

Moderated by Michael Walsh

Note-taking by Michelle Leinfelder

Introductions and why people attended this session

- Reasons for attending ranged from having no student trustee, to making the most of sitting on trustee committees and engaging socially with trustees.

Mike made a presentation

- Board mission statements, University hierarchy, Board composition, and Board Function.

Discussion on Interaction with Trustees

- MIT: President meets with Board subcommittee three times per year. Social interactions where Board members are not very accessible.
- Dartmouth: little, if any, interaction
- Brown: President sits on a Board committee, but no voting power. Speaking privileges.
- UPenn: Executive members sit on Board committees but have no voting rights. Speaking privileges.
- Cornell: Grad student sits as voting member on the Board. President presents annually at Board meeting. Executive committee submits annual report to the Board. Social engagements.
- Yale: Has one meeting per year with the Board, but there is a lack of follow-up. Has two PhD alums sitting on Board.

Discussion on Interaction with University President and administrators

- Dartmouth: 2 meetings/year
- Brown: 2 meetings/year. Other informal interactions.
- Cornell: 2 meetings/year. Other informal interactions.
- MIT: 1 meeting/year. Other informal interactions.
- UPenn: 1-2 meetings/year. Other informal interactions with various administrators, including Provost.
- Yale: 1 meeting/year each with President and Provost.
- Columbia: none. "Fireside Chats" which were not productive.

Other tidbits

- Know who are the student-friendly members of the Board.
- Connect with young alums on the Board.
- Keep/submit written reports so there is institutional memory within the governance group and to hold administrators accountable to desires.