

The Alumni Pioneer presents Mr. Misinformation in The Politics of Distraction

Let's get rid of the head of the alumni office.

LOOK OVER HERE, we have a new president of the alumni association!

Let's change the mission statement on the Cooper website.

LOOK OVER HERE, I'm getting inaugurated!

Let's tell the Cooper Community that our reinvention strategy should ensure access for the poor.

LOOK OVER HERE, a change in the scholarship policy will only be as a last resort!

I've instituted an immediate hiring freeze.

Did I say hiring freeze – I mean a hiring freeze for those positions “not essential to the reinvention strategy” – you know, the strategy which doesn't exist yet. (Better take that off of the website, too.)

Let's tell everyone we're being more transparent.

LOOK OVER HERE, graphs that are totally illegible for decades!

LOOK OVER HERE, pie charts that put employees on the top and employee benefits on the bottom!

We must form a revenue task force.

Did I say task force, I meant task forces, we'll also have an expense reduction task force.

The executive committee is holding a community summit in The Great Hall.

LOOK OVER HERE, everyone is away for Thanksgiving, we'll just delete that pesky announcement.

They got Milton Glazer to show up and the press is there.

I'll get him to read a statement repeating the “last resort” bullshit! Sorry I couldn't attend!

We'll get a trustee to explain the finances to everyone.

LOOK OVER THERE, the trustee left the board immediately after holding a webinar!

The Alumni Pioneer printed a piece about the enormous conflict-of-interest of the CEO of the Astor Place Holding Corporation.

LOOK OVER THERE, it's winter break, no one will notice he's not on the Board anymore!

Those alumni council members are still holding their own process of breakout sessions to come up with solutions to preserve the merit scholarships.

LOOK OVER HERE, a reinvention website with a meaningless forum!

The task forces will provide draft reports to the community for comment in May.

LOOK OVER HERE, we just announced the hybrid framework to the media in April!

The 1T March to The Cooper Union is scheduled for April 25, and The Way Forward will be distributed at a second community summit on April 26.

LOOK OVER HERE, Cooper to charge graduate tuition,

exclusive to the New York Times and Wall Street Journal on April 24!

The Student Guide to the Cooper Union Financial Crisis is showing up in too many Google searches.

LOOK OVER HERE, we published a FAQ!

Here's a picture of Diana Pearson attending the September 19, 2012 Board of Trustee meeting.

LOOK OVER HERE, her name doesn't appear in the transcript!

The Board will be listening to presentations by the Deans about long-term revenue generating proposals on March 5.

No, no, don't look over there! Students locked themselves into the Clocktower! Students videotaping our Board meeting! A huge rally marching from Washington Square to Cooper Square! No comment, no comment!

Okay, things have calmed down, we'll announce our decision in March.

LOOK OVER HERE, we'll announce what we already announced last April!

We forced the art school faculty to provide for-pay educational programs.

LOOK OVER HERE, we're going to reduce the full-tuition scholarships by 50%!

No, no, not those students again! A vote of no confidence in me!

A vote of no confidence in the Chair of the Board of Trustees! No comment, no comment!