



Engineering Alumni Society

SEAS Alumni Society Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

Monday, February 26, 2007
6:00PM, Room 307 Levine Hall

AGENDA

- I. President's Welcome & Remarks.....T. Carlsen
- II. Dean's Remarks..... E. Glandt
- III. Approval of January 22, 2007 Meeting Minutes.....A. Schultz
- IV. Review - Board Appreciation Night.....Leslie Palmieri
- V. Review - Intellectual Property and Patent ProgramH. Romanoff/
M. Kaufman/R. Pyne
- VI. Mentoring Program Update.....N. Harris/D. Carswell/
A. Golovicher/M. Quale/D. Mulford
- VII. Senior Design Competition.....W. Korn / S. Warchaiser / H. Romanoff /
F. Fresnel /E. Churchville / B. Berkovits / M. Hubing
- VIII. Alumni Weekend Planning.....F. Fresnel / A.Schultz
- IX. Development Office Report.....G. Hain
- X. Career Services Report..... R. Pyne
- XI. Around the Table..... All

* NEXT MEETING Monday, March 26, 2007 *



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Minutes of the Engineering Alumni Society Board of Directors
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, PA 19104

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Monthly Meeting: Monday February 26, 2007 In Room 307, Levine Hall

Attendees:

Eric Benshetler*	Carl Clyde	Jocelyn Nelson	Harry Vartanian
Robert Berkovits*	Ellie Davis	Mike Ostrow*	Stan Warchaizer
Jason Bethala*	Dick Fallows*	Leslie Palmieri	
Jim Brennan	Hank Guckes	Matt Quale	
Tim Carlsen	Nancy Harris	Harris Romanoff	
Dane Carswell	Walt Korn	Liz Stanley	
Ernest Churchville	Russ Miller*	Alan Schultz	*via teleconference

President's Welcome and Remarks

Tim Carlsen called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM and welcomed 17 people present plus 6 via teleconference. Tim updated the BOD with Penn Engineering News: Pedro Ponte Castañeda, ME '82 received The 2007 Heilmeier Faculty Award For Excellence In Research.

Approval of November 26, 2006 Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the January 22, 2007 meeting were approved as submitted.

Review – Board Appreciation Night

Dane Carswell took a photo of the Palestra scoreboard display: "Thank You Penn Engineering Board of Directors." Tim thanked Dean Glandt and the administration for a wonderful dinner and basketball game.

Review – Intellectual Property and Patent Program

Harris Romanoff coordinated the program at Wu and Chen this past Wednesday which included 3 speakers and 45 attendees. Mickey Kaufman, J&J's General Counsel, his colleague, and Kate Donohue, a lawyer from Penn were the presenters. Subjects covered were: What is a patent, How to get a patent, and



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Why you need a patent. Harris thanked Rosette Pyne, Leslie Palmieri, and Ellie Davis for arranging the schedule and reserving the facilities. Tim thanked Harris for his coordination. Harry Vartanian commented on how much the students learned about patents. Copies were made of Penn's Patent and Tangible Research Policy and were distributed by Tim to everyone. Penn licensed 62 products last year. Discussion followed on the expense involved in a patent. After talking with Mickey, Tim stated that the BOD does not need to do more work with Intellectual Property.

Mentoring Program Update

Leslie sent a recent e-mail to Engineering Alumni asking for mentors. Liz Stanley reported 100 to 120 responses have already been received from many locations.

Senior Design Competition

Walt Korn reported his committee agreed to a draft by Harris to change awareness criteria from 30% communication, 30% design application, 40% support and results to 40%, 30%, 30% respectively. Walt made a motion, which was passed by the board, to change the criteria accordingly. Eric Benshetler thought that if cost analysis is submitted, it should be looked at as part of the presentation. Harris stated that students should not give the same presentation as given in their department. Tim asked Russ Miller to include new information on the website. Ellie will e-mail Engineering Alumni requesting judges for senior design competition.

Alumni Weekend Planning

Alan Schultz reminded the BOD that the schedule is from May 11 to 14, 2007. Please save the dates, especially Saturday, May 12 when Amy Gutmann will visit the engineering tent between noon and 2 pm. Ellie reported there will be a continental breakfast, tours of Skirkanich, and a Robot Dogs Presentation in Wu and Chen. More details will be sent in mailings from the SEAS Development Office. All Penn Alumni are invited via the Penn website. Russ will update information on the engineering website. Harris had a question about the Engineering Alumni Society from 2 undergraduates. It was decided to invite them to the tent. Harris will notify the engineering office staff of their identity.



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Development Office Report

Ellie reported we have a 30% increase in donors over the last year and the numbers are fantastic. Stan Warchaizer saw in the news that Penn is fourth nationally in donations. Tim asked the BOD to contribute to Penn Engineering for this fiscal year.

Career Services Report

Liz thanked Tim, Harry, Dane and Jocelyn for participation in today's Theta Tau program, which was attended by approximately 40 students.

Around the Table

Ernest Churchville asked Tim about a program on beer brewing. Tim is following up with his local contact, a Penn Alumnus. Jocelyn Nelson asked about the email list-serve and lifelong alumni accounts. Russ said reference to the website link is already in place. Harris thanked Russ for including intellectual property information on the website. Dick Fallows commented on the wonderful Board Appreciation Night dinner. Bob Berkovits asked about a tour of WXP. Tim scheduled this for discussion at the July planning meeting.

Adjournment

Tim adjourned the meeting at 6:50 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 26, 2007 at 6 PM in Levine Hall Room 307

Minutes prepared and submitted by:

Alan J. Schultz