Minutes of the Engineering Alumni Society Board of Directors
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, PA 19104
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Monday, January 12, 2015 6pm, Room 307 Levine

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Positions:

Pres: President
VP: Vice President
Sec: Secretary
Tres: Treasurer
PP: Past President
D: Director
AD: Associate Director
AL: At Large Member
F/S: Penn Faculty/Staff
UG - Undergraduate
I. **Call to Order (M. Quale)**
   - Called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

**Open Action Items:**

**New Action Items:**

**ACTION: Owner** – None

II. **President’s Welcome and Remarks (M. Quale)**
   - Wished everyone a Happy New Year and Happy 2015!
   - Hopefully no one had the flu!

**Open Action Items:**

**New Action Items:**

**ACTION: Owner** – None

III. **Development Office Report (G. Hain)**
   - Gabrielle gave the report as George was travelling with Dean Glandt.
   - Counting gifts for this year.
   - Board appreciation dinner is the 24th.
     - Penn will be playing St. Joseph’s University.
     - Polled meeting attendees on their attendance.
     - Looking forward to seeing everyone!

**Open Action Items:**

**New Action Items:**

**ACTION: Owner** – None

IV. **Career Services Report (R. Pyne)**
   - Reminded everyone that mock interviews are coming up (Friday January 30th).
   - SEAS Alumni have until Wednesday to sign up.
   - Externships and mentoring – heard back from students and alumni. They have great pictures!
• Mail has been sent to permanent addresses about the mentoring event.
• Startup fair in February – if you know of startups who might be interested, please send it Rosette’s way.

Open Action Items:

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V. Old Business:

a. Approval of the November 17, 2014 Minutes (Directors)
• Append the career services report.
• Pittsburgh spelled incorrectly.
• Approved with corrections.

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:
ACTION: Owner – None

b. Open Action Item Review (S. Mannickarottu)
• Matt – Follow up with Rosette to identify the alumnus who was a panelist at the panel for the NYC Economic Development Tech Talent Draft – Done.
• Sevile – append Career Services survey to the minutes – will be done with pdf version.
• Sevile – Follow up with Matt to determine dates for EDAB events – Still waiting to hear back from EDAB before determining dates.
• Matt - Send Jim the template letter for the Yarnell Award - Done
• Jim - Send Yarnell award letter out - Done

Open Action Items:
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VI. New Business:

a. Patent Presentation (T. Carlsen)
• Was unable to attend due to an emergency. Matt presented from notes sent.
• The date has been moved to Wednesday March 25th.
• The event will be held in Berger Auditorium from 6-7:30pm
• Tim & Harry are working on presenters.
• Will include people from the Penn Innovation Center.
• Rosette was able to help out with the date change – special thanks to Rosette.

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b. Alumni Society Awards (J. Brennan)
• Jim was unable to attend but Matt presented from his notes.
• The person recommended to receive the award was contacted and accepted the nomination.

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c. Mentoring/Externship Update (P. McLaughlin)
• The Externship program is now in its second year.
  • Paul just had his extern! There were over 30 externs with 40 externships.
  • Some students did two facilities.
  • 11 undergraduates, 18 masters students, & 1 sub-matriculate participated.
  • Of the total number of companies, one was in Phoenix and one in Italy.
  • Unsure if a spring externship will be held as there was a lower attendance than last year.
  • Last year, it was more difficult to get companies and alumni, but this year, it was easier.
  • Stan: Do we have data on whether or not externs might end up working at these companies? Rosette: No, but we will consider it.
• Mentoring:
  • Evaluations were collected at the end of the year.
  • Jamie will be producing a report.
  • The 2015 program is beginning.
  • The target number for registration of alumni is 150.
• 135 students have applied.
• Matt: Great program, especially from families where there are no engineers.
• Hoping for 70 matches.
• Rosette: Thank you so much to Paul!
• Farnia: Great to hear that the program is growing so well!

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d. Student Engagement – SWE/AWE (D. Becket)
• Continuing contact with SWE.
• Looking for a speaker for the corporate dinner.
• Development office helped. Identified Engineering alum who is not working in Engineering.
• Would like to find a practicing engineer.
• The dinner is on Thursday, February, 19th.
• Farnia – Can reach out to someone she knows who is a civil engineer.
• Matt: Perhaps use QuakerNet?
• Matt: Can board members look to see through QuakerNet if they can identify folks?
• Rosette: Folks can go to LinkedIn/alumni and then look for a specific company.
• The school will probably identify a candidate for the AWE position later this year.

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e. EAS Website / Social Networking (R. Miller)
• The Facebook site has 355 members; LinkedIn has 3337.
• Added approved September and October minutes.
• Updated Board appreciation dinner and event dates.
• Updated all of the pictures from homecoming.
• Requested the date for the Graduate Barbecue. Gabrielle: As there will be a new Dean, identifying the date this early might be a bit difficult.

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f. Around the Table (All)
   - Walt – Received an email from the Pennvention competition team asking him to pass Pennvention information along to those interested in senior design. Is Pennvention an official Penn event? Eric: Run by Weiss Tech House. Walt: Assuming this is advertised to the students already, not sure what can be added.
   - Jason – Trying to put together an event.
   - Jay – See you all in a couple of weeks!
   - Ernest: Happy New Year! Accepted a part-time position at Widener University as a professor in Engineering.
   - Farnia – Is there any update for the search for the Dean? Gabrielle: No.
   - Carl – Was unable to escape the flu bug! Currently recovering!
   - Bob – Passed a note around of another possible speaker. Looking into folks in Astronomy and Physics. Perhaps someone in Bioethics or the School of Design.
   - Eric – Congratulations, Ernest! Multiple choice is the way to go for tests!
   - Will – Working on an MSE event.
   - Matt – Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Appreciation Dinner!

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g. Adjournment (M. Quale)
   - Adjourned at 6:41 pm.

Speaker Series (R. Berkovits)
Dr. Irina Marinov, Assistant Professor in the Department of Earth and Environmental Science will be presenting "Climate change over the 21st century: a short summary."

The next meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2015 at 6:00pm in Room 307 Levine Hall (Location to be confirmed).

Minutes prepared and submitted by Sevile Mannickarottu.