



Engineering Alumni Society

Minutes of the Engineering Alumni Society Board of Directors

University of Pennsylvania

Philadelphia, PA 19104

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Monday, May 8, 2017 6pm, Room 307 Levine

Attendees:

Dean Vijay Kumar		Robert Berkovits – D	X	Oladayo Adewole – AL	X
Sevile Mannickarottu – Pres	X	Ernest Churchville – D		Sarah Badin – AL	
Dawn Becket – VP	T	Carl Clyde – D	X	Andrew Botelbo – AL	
Jim Brennan – VP		Hank Guckes – D	X	Lyle Brunhofer – AL	T
Paul McLaughlin – VP	X	Lauren Hedvat – D		Alison Capone – AL	
Jay Olman – Sec		Bernard Jones – D		Parth Chopra – AL	
Russ Miller – Tres		Jonathan Lombardo – D	T	David Goldstein – AL	
		William McGill – D	T	Yijie Hu – AL	
Brad Abrams – PP		Jason Rifkin – D	T	Ramsey Kraya – AL	T
Eric Benshetler – PP	T	Craig Schorr – D	T	Jeffrey Ng - AL	T
Tim Carlsen – PP	T	Alan Schultz – D	X	Matthew Serota – AL	T
Farnia Fresnel – PP	T	Heather Stern – D		Jane Fried Sheinfeld – AL	
Marion Hubing – PP	X			David Solomon – AL	
Walter Korn – PP	X	Dane Carswell – AD		Leah Suttner – AL	
Dick Mulford – PP		Bill Kane – AD		Jeremy Wang – AL	
Matt Quale – PP	X	Nikos Lioutas – AD		Stan Warchaizer – AL	
Harris Romanoff – PP		Harry Vartanian – AD			
				Ellie Davis – F/S	
				Gabrielle Gary – F/S	
				George Hain – F/S	
				Rosette Pyne – F/S	
				Brad Richards – F/S	X
				Vasiliki Papanikolopoulos	

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 (S. Mannickarottu)

- Called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION: Owner – None

II. President's Welcome and Remarks (S. Mannickarottu)

- Thank you everyone for attending our annual meeting.
- The winners of the alumni society awards were:
 - Yarnall Award: Andrew Seidel was very gracious. Very nice and funny man.
 - S. Reid Warren Jr Teaching Award: Daeyeon Lee - thanked the alumni society
 - Engineering alumni Society E. Stuart Eichert Jr Award - Samanth R. Burns, Erica F. Higa

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION: Owner – None

III. Development Office Report (G. Hain)

- Brad: Nothing to report

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION: Owner – None

IV. Career Services Report (R. Pyne)

- Rosette was unavailable but provided an email note:
Please report that the senior survey has been sent to graduating students, we are busy with off site programs, conferences and meetings. We will be participating in a biomedical consortium in November for a select group of schools. Employers will be conducting interviews in Washington, D.C. for full-time and internship positions. More details to come in the next couple of months.

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION: Owner – None



V. Nominations Committee Report (Directors)

- Presented new board slate for vote

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION: Owner – None

VI. Old Business:

a. Approval of the April 3, 2017 Minutes (Directors)

- Bob noted that President Gutmann’s arrival time for Alumni Weekend was listed incorrectly.
- Approved with corrections.

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION: Jay – Update attendance

b. Open Action Item Review (J. Olman)

- Jay was not available.

Open Action Items:

ACTION:

c. EAS Website/Social Networking – (R. Miller)

- Russ was not available.
- Seville noted that this will be Russ’s last year on the board. He’s done an amazing job of maintaining the website and the social media sites. He’s always on top of the board and school to keep everything up to date. I thank him for his service! We will have very big shoes to fill!

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION: Seville – Re-forward SWE-EAS photos to Russ

d. Externship & Mentoring Update (P. McLaughlin)



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- Dayo asked what fields is participation for mentoring and externship program, research and industry? Yes, both are fine.
- Paul: Thanks to Jamie and Tiffany
- Report from Career Services attached.

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION:

e. Philly Penn Alumni Club (F. Fresnel)

- At our last meeting we were considering canceling the event, but a final push saw 50 people register at which point we had to close registration.
- Very nice event; competing with weather; some people did not show up;
- Around, 35 people. Tour of Pennovation center, well run by Dr. Michael Borda; followed by the panel.
- Panelists very happy to be there;
- Folks who attended were very interested and excited.
- Matt: How did you decide when to close registration? Decided by by Dr. Borda at 50 people as a tour would have been unwieldy with more people.

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION: Seville – Send out video with minutes

f. Student Engagement – AWE (D. Becket)

- 25 people attended the Tassel and toast event.
- About 6 alumni showed up.
- April is a busy time. Included Masters students.
- AWE will follow up with the group – We can send out LinkedIn link
- Farnia – we are using video more; I took a video of Dawn speaking to the group.
- Matt: Perhaps we can create a YouTube channel

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION:



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g. Senior Design Competition (J. Olman)

- Seville read out Jay's report.
- Seville: Jay did an amazing job!
- Walt: Yes, he did everything really well!
- Alan: Article in inquirer

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION:

VII. New Business:

a. Alumni Weekend (C. Clyde)

- College green, this weekend
- Registration is still open
- Brad: Dr. Gutmann will be presenting the check at 1:10 pm.

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION:

b. Regional EAS – NYC (J. Rifkin)

- Mid June event
- Reaching out to juniors and seniors as well

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION:

c. Alumni Weekend (C. Clyde)

- Based on an idea by the greater alumni association – evening event to talk about Penn traditions for freshman where we could have a table.
- Committee felt it was perhaps too much – perhaps an Engineering specific event?
- Hopefully will have something for the July meeting –
- Seville - Sonya Gwak would be a good contact.



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Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION:

VIII. Around the Table (All)

- Eric – 40th reunion
- Paul will miss alumni weekend to attend daughter's commencement; Also, Manfred Morari who is a distinguished engineer has joined Penn as a faculty fellow.

New Action Items:

ACTION:

IX. Adjourn (S. Mannickarottu)

- Adjourned at 7:05 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 17, 2017 from 6:00-7:00pm in Room 307 Levine Hall.

Minutes prepared by Seville Mannickarottu and submitted by Jay Olman