Minutes of the Engineering Alumni Society Board of Directors
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, PA 19104
http://www.seas.upenn.edu/alumni/alumni-society/

Monday, September 11, 2017 6pm, Room 114 Skirkanich Hall

**Attendees:**

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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
M – Masters student
I. Call to Order (S. Mannickarottu)
   • Called the meeting to order at 6:08 pm

   Open Action Items:

   New Action Items:
   ACTION: Owner – None

II. President’s Welcome and Remarks (S. Mannickarottu)
   • Welcome everyone.
   • Penn Club event scheduled on 19 September
     o All are welcome to attend @ 7:30pm in Sweeten Alumni Hall
   • Dean will be attending the October meeting on 23 October, 2017

   Open Action Items:

   New Action Items:
   ACTION: Owner – None

III. Development Office Report (G. Hain)
   • Undergrad George isn’t in attendance at meeting, so this will be tabled until the next meeting.
   • Brad: Good start on fund raising with strong support from both faculty and students
     o One third of goal reached already
     o 20 new faculty to be added by 2020
     o Gabriel Gary left in September – moved to Bryn Mawr
     o Patricia left as well, Bryanna Taylor is now full-time
     o Director of Annual Giving interviewing process is underway

   Open Action Items:

   New Action Items:
   ACTION: Owner – None

IV. Career Services Report (R. Pyne)
   • Rosette emailed her report to Sevile:
Engineering Alumni Society

- We have presented to all the incoming Masters students during orientation with an overview of our services and a Job Search Ethics Workshop.
- Extremely busy with walk-ins being held at SEAS & in our office. Team has been presenting numerous programs on career related topics and reviewing more resumes than we can count.
- Engineering Career Days are Wednesday & Thursday this week. You can download the Penn career fair + app to see organizations participating.

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:
ACTION: Owner – None

V. Old Business:

a. Approval of the July 17, 2017 Minutes (Directors)
   - Approved.

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:
ACTION: Owner – None

b. Open Action Item Review (J. Olman)
   - Jay was not in attendance.

Open Action Items:

- ACTION:

c. Regional Engineering Alumni Weekend Recap - ROW (Boston) – 8/10 (S. Manniakrottu)
   - First Rest of World happy hour in Boston held in August and organized by George Lin – Brad gave the update:
     - 32 responded with 20 attendees
     - It’s officially going to be held every third Thursday in Boston
     - Next one scheduled for 21 September
     - Dean Kumar will be going to Boston on 5 October
Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

**ACTION:**

**d. Grad BBQ Recap – 9/1 (B. Richards)**
- 440 Masters students attended with Alumni
  - It went very smoothly with RSVP and sign-in sheets
  - Hats were provided
  - Eric and Phillipe took photos to share
  - Paul, Eric, Alan, Lyle, Jim, and Sevile were alumni volunteers.

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

**ACTION:**

**VI. New Business:**

**a. EAS Website (J. Ng)**
- New WordPress webpage created with live Facebook Feed
  - URL: eas.seas.upenn.edu (also mobile site)
  - All content from old page has been ported over to new website
  - Matt: EAS bylaws are buried in archive section from around September 2014
  - Page contains a count of real-time mobile and webpage visits
  - Sevile proposed a vote to move old website to new website
    - Approved
  - Plans to launch new website on social media
  - Input from EAS members is encouraged for improvement of new website

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

**ACTION: Jeff** - Move bylaws to more visible location on new website

**b. Insider’s Guide Panel (L. Hedvat)**
- Lauren was not available.
Panel date has been pushed from October 2017 to Spring 2018.

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION: 

c. Back to Penn Engineering – 10/23 (A. Shultz)

- Thanks to George for the referral to the Penn Engineering Electric Racecar Program
  - Andrew Jackson is the advisor with 50 students
  - The car is located in B11 of Town, directly below George’s office
  - EAS members are invited to a workshop hosted by Penn Students that build the car
    - Specs: 0-60 in 2.5 sec
    - Competing with MIT and Carnegie Mellon racecar programs
  - Meet in B11 at 5pm prior to the next EAS meeting on 23 October
    - At 5:15pm, there will be an A/V presentation in Levine 307

Open Action Items:

New Action Items:

ACTION: Seville - Add electric car presentation details to next meeting email

d. Regional Engineering Alumni – NYC – 10/24 (J. Rifkin)

- Jason not in attendance

e. Homecoming – 11/4 (J. Brennan)

- Exact time is dependent upon football game schedule vs Princeton
  - Tentatively ~3:30pm

Open Action Items:
New Action Items: Add tent option for homecoming sign-up

ACTION: Brad – ensure tent is option to sign-up

VII. Around the Table (All)

No comments.

New Action Items:

ACTION:
VIII. Adjournment (S. Mannickarottu)

- Adjourned at 6:54 pm.

_The next meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2017 at 6:00 pm in Levine 307 (Location to be confirmed)._”

Minutes prepared by Bernard Jones and submitted by Sevile Mannickarottu.