



# Engineering Alumni Society

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:

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

## 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



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### 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
  - All are welcome to attend @ 730pm 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
  - One third of goal reached already
  - 20 new faculty to be added by 2020
  - Gabriel Gary left in September – moved to Bryn Mawr
  - Patricia left as well, Bryanna Taylor is now full-time
  - 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 Seville:



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- 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. Mannickarottu)

- 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



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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 Phillippe took photos to share
  - Paul, Eric, Alan, Lyle, Jim, and Seville 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
  - Seville 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.



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- 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 6:00pm in Levine 307 (Location to be confirmed).*

Minutes prepared by Bernard Jones and submitted by Seville Mannickarottu.