



SEAS Alumni Society Board of Directors  
Monthly Meeting

Monday, February 27, 2006  
6:00PM, Room 307 Levine Hall

AGENDA

- I. President's Welcome, Remarks and Update.....T. Carlsen
- II. Dean's Remarks..... E. Glandt
- III. Approval of January 23, 2006 Meeting Minutes.....T. Carlsen
- IV. Engineering Board Appreciation Night Wrap-up.....T. Carlsen
- V. Mentoring Program Update.....Nancy H / Jeannine C.
- VI. Website update.....R. Miller
- VII. Senior Design Competition...Wednesday, 4/26/06.....W. Korn
- VIII. Senior Seminar (presentation skills, patents, etc.).....J. Gray/MK/FF
- IX. Alumni Weekend...5/12/06-5/14/06.....H. Romanoff
- X. Student Group Participation with Board.....J. Lau / H. Romanoff
- XI. Development Office Report.....G. Hain
- XII. Career Services Report..... R. Pyne
- XIII. Student Presentation - Dominique Harris, President - NSBE
- XIV. Around the Table..... All
- XIII. Adjournment

\* NEXT MEETING: Monday, March 27, 2006 \*



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

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**Attendees:**

Brad Abrams	Ernest Churchville	Marion Hubing*	Harris Romanoff
Eric Benshetler*	Ellie Davis	Mickey Kaufman*	Craig Schorr*
Robert Berkovits	Dick Fallows	Walt Korn	Alan Schultz
Jason Bethala*	Farnia Fresnel*	Joan Lau	Kusha Tavakoli**
Tim Carlsen	George Hain	Russ Miller	Stan Warchaizer
Jeannine Carr*	Dominique Harris**	Dick Mulford	

\*Present via teleconference

\*\*Student Group Presidents

**President's Remarks, Update, and Approval of Minutes**

Tim welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Jackie Gray is moving to Australia and will not be as active on the BOD. We are invited by the Penn Alumni Club of Phila. to a Penn Tennis Tournament on April 1, 2006. Omar Blaik is leaving his position as Penn's Senior Vice President of Facilities and Campus Planning to pursue private consulting. Tom Stump is the interim appointee. Minutes from the January 23, 2006 meeting were approved after a spelling correction to Brad Abrams's name.

**Engineering Board Appreciation Night Wrap-up**

Tim thanked George Hain, Dean Glandt, and the SEAS Development Office for a wonderful evening. Everyone who attended enjoyed the hospitality, food, and basketball game.

**Mentoring Program Update**

Jeannine Carr reported only nine students remain to be matched with mentors, thanks to the work of the committee, the Board and the Development Office.



### **Website Update**

Russ Miller has updated the EAS website with homecoming, summer barbecue, and other activities. He is adding a link to The Penn Alumni Club and other resources. Pictures from past years Yarnall Award events will be included on the website, which Russ is monitoring. Russ will be adding a link to the Alumni Award of Merit nominating page.

### **Senior Design Competition**

Walt Korn announced that Sid Deliwala, from ESE, will procure a timing device to give students amount of time remaining for their presentations. The competition is scheduled for April 26, 2006, and will include a full day of activities. The EAS Board is invited to be judges. Volunteers are: Robert Berkovits, Tim Carlsen, Jeannine Carr, Ernest Churchville, Dick Fallows, Farnia Fresnel, Marion Hubing, Walt Korn, Craig Schorr, Alan Schultz, and Stan Warchaizer. Others can contact Walt or Ellie.

### **Senior Seminar**

Tim stated that there will be workshops scheduled for students covering presentation skills and patent issues. Tim asked Farnia to coordinate the program with help from Walt, Tim, Ellie, and Mickey.

### **Alumni Weekend**

Harris Romanoff asked all board members to attend activities, especially on Saturday, May 13, 2006. George emphasized the most important time for us to be present in the engineering tent is from noon to 2:00 p.m. when Amy Gutmann will visit.

### **Student Group Participation**

Joan Lau introduced student group presidents: Dominique Harris, National Society of Black Engineers and Kusha Tavakoli, American Institute of Chemical Engineers. Their individual presentations were given at the conclusion of the formal meeting.



### **Development Office**

George Hain reported that everything is going well and that the Development Office had a good February. Planned and estate gifts are coming in and he anticipates a successful year. George and Dean Glandt are going on a trip to Asia.

### **Around the Table**

Joan mentioned nominating engineers for Alumni Award of Merit and Young Alumni Award for service and dedication. Bob attended a Penn Glee Club performance in Maryland and spoke with two people who are interested in the EAS. Stan mentioned the excellent presentation by Dawn Bonnell on nanotechnology and how well Amy Gutmann interfaces with Penn students. Dick Mulford attended the Engineers' Week Banquet with Dean Glandt at the Inn at Penn.

**Adjournment: The formal meeting was adjourned by Tim Carlsen at 6:50 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for March 27, 2006 at 6:00 p.m.**

### **Student Presentations**

Dominique Harris, NSBE said their group is geared toward women and that freshmen will be invited to dinner for mentoring with 40 members. Activities alternate between social and technical. Events are planned in late summer to preview math, science, and engineering courses for incoming students. NSBE is interested in networking with alumni and informal interaction with EAS.

Kusha Tavakoli, AIChE said their group's purpose is to expose students to chemical engineering as a profession and establish a sense of commitment with undergraduates. Activities include trips to sites of interest, speakers, barbecues, socials, and dinners for freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. AIChE wants to interact with EAS.

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