

#### **SEAS Alumni Society Board of Directors**

#### Monthly Meeting Monday, February 25, 2008 6:00PM, Room 307 Levine Hall

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#### AGENDA

I.	President's WelcomeH. Romanoff
II.	Dean's Remarks E. Glandt
III.	Approval of Jan 28, 2007 Minutes H. Romanoff
IV.	Review Board Appreciation NightJ. Rafferty
V.	Senior Design (May 2, 2008)W. Korn
VI.	Mentoring Program Update N. Harris, M. Quale
VII.	Development Office ReportG. Hain
VIII.	Career Services Report R. Pyne
IX.	Partial Voting on Proposed By Law ChangesR. Miller
Х.	Around the Table All

7PM: Guest Speaker – Mark Edelson of Iron Hill Brewery!

NEXT MEETING Monday, March 24, 2008



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

#### www.seas.upenn.edu/alumni/

#### Monday, February 25, 2008 in Room 307, Levine Hall

### Attendees:

Brad Abrams	Ellie Davis	Matt Quale
Eric Benshetler	Dick Fallows	Janice Rafferty
Bob Berkovits*	Eileen Feldman	Wayne Robbins
Jason Bethala*	Farnia Fresnel*	Harris Romanoff
Jim Brennan*	Hank Guckes	Alan Schultz
Tim Carlsen	Nancy Harris	Harry Vartanian
Dane Carswell	Walt Korn	Stan Warchaizer
Ernest Churchville	Russ Miller	
Carl Clyde	Jocelyn Nelson*	* via teleconference

### **President's Welcome and Remarks**

Harris Romanoff called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM, welcomed everyone, and announced that Dean Glandt is abroad. Harris congratulated Tim Carlsen on receiving the Young Alumni Award of Merit. Tim attributed his award to the EAS Board. Lolita Jackson and Joan Lau, engineering graduates, were past year recipients. The Leed/Green building tour was postponed by the Penn Club and may be rescheduled in the fall. Harris is working with the Penn Club on future activities.

### **Approval of January 28, 2008 Minutes**

Under Attendees, the spelling of Dave Carswell was changed to Dane. Under PE Presentation, 75 was changed to 45 students and every year was changed to every other year. The minutes were then approved as corrected.



## **Review of Board Appreciation Night**

Janice Rafferty thanked everyone for coming to the dinner. Matt Quale volunteered to bring a camera to future EAS events so that pictures can be added to our web site. Harris thanked Janice, Ellie Davis, and the Engineering Staff for a great night.

### Senior Design Competition, May 2, 2008

Walt Korn is anticipating 30 to 35 judges to be present. Janice has already contacted engineering departments and she will send an e-mail asking for volunteer judges. EAS Board members can volunteer at our next meeting in March.

## **Mentoring Program**

Matt Quale updated the board as of today. There are 48 students in the mentoring program. Approximately 24 attended today's orientation meeting. Per Nancy Harris, mentoring is beginning with freshmen students this year. There are 150 engineering alumni signed up to be mentors.

### **Development Office**

Ellie Davis reported Dean Glandt and George Hain are now in London on a successful trip. A kickoff campaign is scheduled for Thursday night, February 28 in New York.

### Partial Voting On Proposed By-Law Changes

Harris discussed Section 9 and asked for a vote on amended by-laws, including section 9. There were Section 9 changes recommended by the committee, by Nancy Harris, and by Ernest Churchville. Harris requested a motion to accept all changes to by-laws proposed by the committee. This motion was made, seconded, and past by a vote of 11 in favor and 8 against. Russ Miller will revise a rough copy of the by-laws, send it to Harris and then to Penn Alumni for approval.

Section 9 changes are as follows:

Elected members of the Board shall be required to demonstrate an appropriate level of activity that shall include at least five (5) in person meetings of the Board of Directors and participation in at least one (1) event or activity sponsored or conducted by the Society during each year.



# Engineering Alumni Society

Each March, the President and the Vice President(s) shall review the level of participation of all Members of the Board. Board Members, who for whatever reasons have not demonstrated the level of activity described in this section, will be contacted by the President or a designated Vice President and asked to rededicate themselves to the Society. If participation in the Society of Board Members who have been so contacted and who have pledged to improve performance does not improve, these Members shall be removed from the Board by action of the President and ratification by the Board.

Associate Members of the Board shall be encouraged to attend meetings and to participate in events or activities sponsored or conducted by the Society.

## Around the Table

Tim asked about this year's number of Penn engineering applicants and acceptances. The engineering staff will determine the numbers. Stan Warchaizer reminded everyone of the bio-ethics speaker, Dr. Wolpe, scheduled for our March 24 meeting. Ernest Churchville is working on programs for the Spring and a nano/physics presentation, with Walt Korn, by The Franklin Institute. Jocelyn Nelson will be back in Philly area in April. Farnia Fresnel asked when the new By-Laws become effective. They require Penn's approval and no one is sure how long that will take. Harris asked EAS members to give a brief background of themselves.

## Adjournment

Harris adjourned the formal meeting at 6:40 PM and introduced the speaker, Mark Edelson from Iron Hill Brewery. Mark has a degree from Penn in Chemical Engineering. He worked in industry before finding Iron Hill Brewery, now with 7 locations in the Philly area. Mark supplies beer for the EAS Graduate Student Barbeque.

Mark Edelson gave a great Power Point Presentation about the history and brewing of beer. He also brought large bottles of different types of beer to sample.

#### The next meeting is scheduled for March 24, 2008.

Minutes prepared and submitted by:

Alan J. Schultz