

Engineering Alumni Society

SEAS Alumni Society Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Monday, January 22, 2007 6:00PM, Room 307 Levine Hall

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Ι.	President's Welcome & RemarksT. Carlsen
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VI.	Mentoring Program UpdateN. Harris/D. Carswell/ A. Golovicher/M. Quale/D. Mulford
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VIII.	Intellectual Property and Patent ProgramH. Romanoff/ M. Kaufman/R. Pyne
I X. X.	Board Appreciation Night (2/17/06 5:30 PM start)Leslie Palmieri Senior Design CompetitionW. Korn / S. Warchaiser / H. Romanoff / F. Fresnel /E. Churchville / B. Berkovits / M. Hubing
XL.	Alumni Weekend PlanningF. Fresnel / A.Schultz
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Minutes of the Engineering Alumni Society Board of Directors University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, PA 19104

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Monthly Meeting: Monday January 22, 2007 In Room 307, Levine Hall

Attendees:

Brad Abrams	Ernest Churchville	Mickey Kaufman*	Alan Schultz
Eric Benshetler*	Carl Clyde	Walt Korn	Harry Vartanian
Robert Berkovits	Ellie Davis	Russ Miller	Stan Warchaizer
Jason Bethala*	Dick Fallows	Jocelyn Nelson	
Jim Brennan	Eileen M. Feldman	Rosette Pyne	
Tim Carlsen	Farnia Fresnel*	Matt Quale	
Dane Carswell	Hank Guckes	Harris Romanoff	*via teleconference

President's Welcome and Remarks

Tim Carlsen called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM and welcomed everyone present plus four people via teleconference. Tim updated the BOD with general University news: Paul Williams received the National Leadership Award for valuable service to The Penn Alumni Society. The award will be presented in New York City at the Rainbow Room. Bob Alig is leaving Penn Alumni Society for another position. 2007 Alumni Society Award of Merit is on the Penn website and the nomination form is online. Tim asked Harris Romanoff to introduce new member, Harry Vartanian. Harry earned a BS Degree in '02 and a Masters in '03 and is working for patent attorneys with a law firm in center city.

Approval of November 26, 2006 Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved after correction of several typographical errors.

Yarnall Award

Mickey Kaufman announced that Dr. Kris Singh, GME '69, GR '72 was contacted and has accepted as recipient of the Yarnall Award for this year. Mickey thanked the committee and George Hain for their guidance.



Mentoring Program Update

Rosette Pyne reported that 60 students have already been matched and she is waiting for 8 more, mainly in Material Science and Bioengineering fields. After discussion about the future of the Mentoring Program, it was decided to review the subject during the July planning meeting.

Happy Hour/Young Alumni Event

Harris Romanoff and Jocelyn Nelson attended the November 30, 2006 event held in conjunction with The Philly Penn Club. They agreed that everything went well, with engineers connecting with other engineers. People stayed past the scheduled 8 PM closing time. Fall and spring events should continue.

Intellectual Property and Patent Program

Harris thanked Rosette for securing a date {February 21, 2007}, time {5 PM} and location {Wu and Chen} with the University. The program, in conjunction with the Penn Center for Technology Transfer, will be presented by Mickey Kaufman and a colleague from J&J's Legal Department. Mickey outlined three subjects to be covered: Legal Aspects of a Patent, Getting a Patent, and Economics of a Patent. If she is available, Penn lawyer, Kate Donohue, Director of Legal Affairs, will speak about the University's patent policy. A flier will be prepared to promote this event, scheduled for 5 to 6 PM with questions to follow. Refreshments may be served in the lobby of Levine Building. Tim asked Mickey to send information on his presentation to Russ Miller who will incorporate it in our website along with an announcement that Alumni are welcome to attend.

Board Appreciation Night

Ellie Davis reminded the BOD about Board Appreciation Night on Saturday, February 17, 2007. Dinner will be at 5:30 in Greenberg Lounge of Skirkanich Hall, with the basketball game to follow at 7 PM. Ellie will check on parking availability.

Senior Design Competition

Walt Korn sent his committee an e-mail consisting of several items either known, to be verified or ascertained. Are Systems and Electrical to be one or two teams? Farnia Fresnel and Eric Benshetler indicated they will be available on April 25, 2007 for awarding of certificates. Presentations will be in Wu and Chen, followed by a reception in Levine lobby. The scoring system will remain as last year with first prize receiving \$800, second prize \$400, third prize \$200, plus certificates. Honorable mention will receive a certificate only.



Ellie will contact faculty departments, and e-mail students directly, with information on what they need to know. Wu and Chen is reserved on April 24 for students to practice. Walt will e-mail Matt Quale with criteria for his review. Tim asked Russ to post criteria on the website.

Alumni Weekend Planning

Alumni Weekend is set for May 11 to 14, 2007. Alan Schultz asked everyone to save the dates, especially Saturday, May 12 when Amy Gutmann will visit the engineering tent between noon and 2 PM. Ellie reported there will be tours of Skirkanich and a lecture by Professor Dan Lee on Robot Dogs. Activity details will be sent in future mailings from the SEAS Development Office.

Career Services

Rosette reported that the job market is very good. Students are looking for companies interested in hiring interns. As a result of a new government regulation, students must apply online to certain companies. Large companies will be audited.

Around the Table

Ernest Churchville asked about having a speaker talk to us about the process of brewing beer. Tim agreed to contact a local Penn Alumnus who owns a brewery as a possibility for our March 2007 meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 26, 2007 at 6 PM in Levine Hall Room 307

Minutes prepared and submitted by:

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