Engineering Alumni Society

SEAS Alumni Society Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Monday, March 26, 2007 6:00PM, Room 307 Levine Hall

<u>AGENDA</u>

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IV.	Mentoring Program Update
V.	Senior Design CompetitionW. Korn / S. Warchaiser / H. Romanoff / F. Fresnel /E. Churchville / B. Berkovits / M. Hubing
VI.	Alumni Weekend PlanningF. Fresnel / A.Schultz
VII.	Nominating Committee - Status of BOD Nominees for 2007M. Kaufman
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^{*} NEXT MEETING Monday, April 16, 2007 *

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

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Monthly Meeting: Monday March 26, 2007 In Room 307, Levine Hall

Attendees:

Brad Abrams	Dick Fallows	Walt Korn	Matt Quale
Eric Benshetler	Farnia Fresnel*	Russ Miller	Harris Romanoff
Robert Berkovits	Eduardo Glandt	Dick Mulford	Craig Schorr*
Jim Brennan	David Goldstein	Mike Ostrow*	Alan Schultz
Tim Carlsen	Nancy Harris	Leslie Palmieri	Stan Warchaizer
Ellie Davis	Mickey Kaufman	Rosette Pyne	*via teleconference

President's Welcome and Remarks

Tim Carlsen called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and welcomed 20 people present plus 3 via teleconference. Tim followed up with chemical engineering alumnus Mark Edelson who will speak at a fall meeting about the beer brewing process and the operation of his successful chain of Iron Hill Brewery restaurants. Tim introduced David Goldstein, a new associate member.

Dean's Remarks

Dean Eduardo Glandt commented on many things happening at Penn and Penn Engineering. James Baker was announced as the 2007 commencement speaker. Another speaker from MIT will talk about nanotechnology and receive an honorary degree. At the Graduate School Commencement, a Penn Engineering graduate and CEO of e-music will speak. The hiring season is here with 6 offers to new faculty members to be made. Penn Engineering faculty received awards: 1 in bio, 5 in mechanical, and 8 in chemical. Admissions will be announced on March 30. There was an 11% increase in applications, with approximately 12% acceptance rate. The School of Arts and Sciences will finance one third of the new nanotechnology building.

Approval of November 26, 2006 Meeting Minutes

Asterisks, indicating via teleconference, were added after 3 names: Robert Berkovits, Dick Fallows, and Russ Miller. Also, Jocelyn Nelson, Dane Carswell, and Harry Vartanian were added as participants in the Theta Tau program. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Mentoring Program Update

Nancy Harris reported that everyone has been matched. There are approximately 64 students now matched with mentors. By next meeting we will have a final number. Rosette Pyne suggested that the mentoring program for next year be discussed at our July planning meeting.

Senior Design Competition

Walt Korn reported there will be 2 teams from mechanical, and 1 from systems, which will be separate from electrical. To date we have 5 judges, but 8 additional board members volunteered. They are: Eric Benshetler, Robert Berkovits, Tim Carlsen, Farnia Fresnel, Nancy Harris, Dick Mulford, Matt Quale, and Stan Warchaizer. Tim will email the list to Leslie Palmieri. Leslie sent a letter and email for prospective judges to board members and engineering graduates.

Alumni Weekend Planning

Alan Schultz reminded everyone to keep open May 11 to 14, especially Saturday, May 12 from noon to 2 PM when Amy Gutmann will visit the engineering tent. Harris Romanoff contacted 2 engineering students who are coming to the tent. Tim asked for an indication of those planning to attend. Approximately 15 board members responded. Russ Miller has a link on our website to register for activities. Leslie is the RSVP person for engineering events. Ellie Davis stated that Dean Glandt will be giving tours of Skirkanich. Postal cards from SEAS will be sent out next week.

Nominating Committee Report

Mickey Kaufman presented the nominating committee's proposed slate of candidates for the coming year. The following nominees will be voted upon at the upcoming April BOD meeting:

President – Harris Romanoff Vice Presidents – Nancy Harris, Russ Miller, Jim Brennan Secretary – Alan Schultz Treasurer - Stan Warchaizer

New 3-year Term Directors:

Matt Quale Jocelyn Nelson Dane Carswell Hank Guckes Eileen Feldman Harry Vartanian

Mickey thanked his committee for their help, and Tim thanked the committee for its service.

Development Office Report

Ellie announced a gift of \$1.1 million from Sarah Keil Wolf. Annual Giving continues to be very strong this year.

Career Services Report

Rosette Pyne thanked the BOD for help with students in career services. Matt Quale and two other Rohm & Haas employees are featured on the career services web page.

Around the Table

Harris said Jocelyn was relocated to State College for approximately 6 months. Eric attended a university meeting at which Amy Gutmann mentioned Skirkanich and nanotechnology. Stan suggested BOD sit at student tables during the awards dinner. After discussion, it was decided we should sit in pairs at the student tables. Dick Mulford announced the Engineers Club meetings are now on Thursday instead of Wednesday.

Adjournment

Tim adjourned the meeting at 7:10 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 16, 2007 at 6:00 PM in Levine Hall Room 307

Minutes prepared and submitted by Alan J. Schultz