Minutes of the Engineering Alumni Society Board of Directors
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Monday, February 26, 2018 6pm, Room 307 Levine

Attendees:

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Past Presidents:

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| Jason Rifkin | Aastha Puri | |
| Brad Abrams | Craig Schorr | Manasi Puri |
| Eric Benshetler | Alan Schultz | Matthew Serota |
| Tim Carlsen | Heather Stern | Jane Fried Sheinfeld |
| Farnia Fresnel | | David Solomon |
| Marion Hubing | | Adity Sreekumar |

Associate Directors:

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| Walter Korn | T | T | Jeremy Wang |
| Dick Mulford | William McGill | Stan Warchaizer |
| Matt Quale | Russ Miller | |

Faculty/Staff:

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| Leah Suttner | George Hain |
| Jamie Grant | Brad Richards |

Guests:

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| Jonathan Dunsay | T |
I. Call to Order (S. Mannickarottu)
   ■ Called to order at 6:03pm

II. President’s Welcome & Remarks (S. Mannickarottu)
   ■ Since we last met, the Eagles won the Super Bowl
   ■ Also had the Board Appreciation Night
   ● Fun dinner, basketball game
   ● Got the chance to express our gratitude to Rosette, who’s retiring
   ● Posted photos to LinkedIn and got a lot of likes from people who
don’t normally like anything
   ● Great event—thank you for appreciating us

III. Development Office Report (G. Hain)
   ■ We’re having a great year
   ■ Doing much better than expected in faculty support
   ■ Way ahead of schedule on endowed chairs
   ■ Next, getting into labs
   ■ Hear more about labs next fiscal year (renovating, building new ones (not
sure where))
   ■ Also doing well with annual giving—ahead in donors and dollars

IV. Career services report (J. Grant)
   ■ Great career fairs since we last spoke
   ■ All Ivy environmental and sustainable development fair
   ■ Startup fair
   ■ Enjoying planning the insiders guide and PE presentation events
   ■ Jay: I enjoyed attending the startup fair as an employer
   ■ Sevile: welcome officially to the board

V. Old Business
   A. Approval of November 27th Minutes (Directors)
      ■ Approved with no changes
   B. Open Action Item Review (J. Olman)
      ■ Nothing other than the open item to review bios on the website
   C. Externship / Mentoring Program (P. McLaughlin)
      ■ Externship: continuing to track good progress in this program
      ■ 4th full year
      ■ Grown from 14 companies to 22 this year
      ■ Started with 33 applicants, now 89 applicants (of whom we matched 50)
      ■ Overcame snowstorm that hit just as we were having people attend some
of the companies locally; companies were flexible to reschedule
      ■ We did have sites available in other parts of the country, but student
interest was limited
      ■ Lots of good feedback from student participants
      ■ Thanks to tiffany for running the program and for the companies that
hosted
      ■ Sevile: how do we get from 89 to 50?
Paul: It’s a two-way match, so sometimes we don’t have an ideal pairing based on geography or availability

Sevile: the externship program is a great way to interact with students, especially for new folks

VI. New Business

A. P.E. Presentation (T. Carlsen)
   - Taking place March 29th at 6pm in Heilmeier Hall
   - Working with Katie Barlow in career services to get the word out
   - Lined up for another great program
   - Highlight changes in licensing laws
   - Thanks to Jamie, we have a place and a time

B. Penn Club Philly (C. Clyde)
   - Farnia: this is pretty exciting because we’ve pulled a lot together in a short timeframe
   - Confirming one or two additional panelists for a joint event between EAS and the Penn Club for mixed reality/AI (still trying to decide)
   - We’ve been able to tap into the university mixed reality initiative; a lot of attention/equipment in the library
   - Interactive tour of facilities + panel discussion
   - Date: April 3rd (a Tuesday), still deciding on a time (but it’ll be after 6:30pm); about an hour and a half to two hours long; at Van Pelt Library
   - Four stations to sample the technology
   - Trying to make the event free to attend; capacity up to 100
   - Sevile: this sounds amazing, Farnia and Carl, thank you guys

C. Insider’s Guide Panel (L. Hedvat)
   - Jamie: last time I touched base with either Lauren or Vasiliki, we were trying to confirm a space in Houston Hall for the third week of March
   - Sevile: for those who don’t remember, this is a panel that Rosette suggested for talking about professional experience/experience going into the workforce; recent graduates expressed interest in wanting to have learned more about that

D. Senior Design Competition (J. Olman)
   - Brad: save the date! Friday April 27
   - Hold off on sending invites until mid-March
   - Please participate
   - Jay: will invites go out early enough to allow out-of-town judges to attend?
   - Brad: I’ve heard from a bunch of them; they’re still interested and know when to expect the invite
   - Sevile: how many judges?
   - Brad: we can accommodate a few more; typically we’ve come in the 30-35 range; we have a good solid base, but could always use a few more
• Yarnall award presentation is the same day; first order of business in entire program
• Tim: for new judges, hard to get a sense of how good the early ones are; send out previous years’ presentations?

E. Regional Engineering Alumni - NYC (J. Rifkin)
• Happy hour event in New York
• Toying with a March date

VII. Around the table (All)
• Hank: the dean did an absolutely great job with the students I was trying to get interested in Penn Engineering at the appreciation dinner
• Tim: I look forward to being physically present at some point in the future again; still interested in staying involved; if not before, I'll see everyone at Alumni Weekend in May
• Aditya: I wanted to ask if we can start adding the events we talk about on the EAS calendar. I know we have the day, but not always the time; it'd be great if the other events are on there as well
• Paul: I look forward to being at Senior Design this year
• Walt: After listening to the discussion about judging and trying to get a fair evaluation, my personal approach after about ten years worth of senior design is to start out with fives for everything [Matt is thrilled]
• Ernest: Looking forward to being a judge again this year
• Brad: thanks to Manasi and Aasthi for hosting a great pharma info session; great initiative for new members; exactly the right content for students to hear; Masters networking event on March 23rd 5:30-7:30; bring local alums and masters students together
• George: early commercial for Alumni Weekend, especially if you're celebrating a reunion
• Matt: taking on a bigger role at Dow
• Bob: April 9th will probably be the next speaker
• Manasi: thank you to Brad for inviting us to give that talk
• Aasthi: thank you to Brad as well; had a lot of fun presenting; seemed meaningful for the students

VIII. Adjourned (S. Mannickarottu)
• Adjourned at 7:09pm

The next meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2018 from 6:00pm to 7:00pm in Room 307 Levine Hall.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Jay Olman.