

**Minutes of the Engineering Alumni Society Board of Directors**  
*University of Pennsylvania*  
*Philadelphia, PA 19104*  
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**Monday, July 15, 2019 6pm, Room 221 Singh**

**Attendees:**

<b>Executive:</b>		<b>Directors:</b>		<b>At-Large Members:</b>	
Dean Vijay Kumar		Dawn Becket		Jason Bethala	
Jay Olman - Pres.	X	Jim Brennan	X	Ed Chan	
Carl Clyde - VP	X	Lyle Brunhofer		Parth Chopra	
Lauren Hedvat - VP	X	Jonathan Dunsay	X	Qi Fang	
Jonathan Lombardo - VP	X	Hank Guckes		David Goldstein	
Bernard Jones - Sec	X	Yijie Hu	T	Lamis Elsayah	X
Robert Berkovits - Tres		Ramsey Kraya	T	Patricia He	
		Paul McLaughlin		Scott Levitt	
<b>Past Presidents:</b>		Jeffrey Ng	T	George Lin	
Brad Abrams		Jason Rifkin		William McGill	
Eric Benshetler	X	Craig Schorr		Kush Mehta	X
Tim Carlsen		Heather Stern		Vasiliki Papanikolopoulos	
Farnia Fresnel				Aastha Puri	
Marion Hubing		<b>Associate Directors:</b>		Manasi Puri	
Walter Korn		Ernest Churchville	T	Aditya Sreekumar	
Sevile Mannickarottu	X				
Dick Mulford				<b>Faculty/Staff:</b>	
Matt Quale	X			George Hain	X
Harris Romanoff				Jamie Grant	X
				Brad Richards	X
				<b>Guests:</b>	

- I. Call to Order (J. Olman)**
  - Called the meeting to order at 6:08 pm.
  - Jay's first meeting as President.
- II. President's Welcome & Remarks (J. Olman)**
  - Welcome to everyone
- III. Development Office Report (G. Hain)**
  - George:
    - Great year for Development Office
      - Fiscal year finished on 30 June...surpassed goal.
      - Set new record for dollars and donors for annual giving
    - Naming Gift still pending for new building
      - Planned announcement of Naming Gift in fall
    - EAB has been critical in raising alumni involvement
    - On behalf of Dean, EASB, and UPenn Engineering School, Seville was presented with an appreciation plaque.
  - Brad:
    - Office is trying to track event participation metrics
      - Significant growth observed this year
    - First Boston regional event this past year was a big success with a great turnout
- IV. Career Services Report (J. Grant)**
  - We're working on the end of the year, which is an exciting time. I'm also excited to announce that the data analyst in our office has put together the 2018 career plans survey, which you can now look at broken down by department/degree. The undergraduate version is available on our website and the graduate program version will be available soon.
  - Registering new employers for career fair and preparing for coming year
    - Career fair is planned for 10 & 11 September 2019
    - New sponsorship instituted for the fair
  - Lamis:
    - Noted lack of Bio-tech engineering companies at career fair roster...issue is being addressed by Career Services office
- V. Old Business:**
  - A. Approval of May 13, 2019 Minutes (Directors)
    - Jay:
      - Made one change - added Craig
      - Minutes Approved
  - B. Open Action Item Review (B. Jones)
    - Nothing to report
  - C. Alumni Weekend 5/18 – (H. Guckes)
    - Brad:
      - Good Weather helped turnout
      - Around 150 attended, which was a strong showing
      - Well advertised event contributed to good attendance as well
    - George:

- In 2020, for alumni celebrating anniversary years, please facilitate folks getting into superblock area
  - D. Proposed 2019-2020 Calendar (J. Olman)
    - Jay:
      - Awards reception is earlier, otherwise unchanged
  - E. Around the room introductions (All)
    - N/A
- VI. New Business:**
- A. Review current committees (J. Olman)
    - Jay:
      - At least one Director or Executive member must chair each committee
        - Any committee member can participate though
      - EAS should consider increasing our sense of community
      - Ample room exists for EAS to do a better job of engaging people that don't live in Philadelphia
      - How can we do a better job of involving the committees?
        - Making meetings more interesting may help attract new members
      - Slide Presentation by Jay
        - Jay will chair committees that need to be conducted, but don't have a chair assigned
  - B. Review of newly proposed activities (J. Olman)
    - Per by-laws:
      - Worst case if one topic is selected that doesn't go to fruition is that another committee doesn't get a chair
      - Quorum requires 8 members
  - C. Fill committee chairs and members (J. Olman)
    - See Committee spreadsheet
- VII. Around the Table (All)**
- Eric:
    - Alumni member Stan Banks passed away.
- VIII. Adjourn (J. Olman)**
- Adjourned at 8:25pm

***The next meeting is scheduled for October 7, 2019 from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in Room 221 Singh.***

Minutes prepared and submitted by Bernard Jones.