Minutes of the Engineering Alumni Society Board of Directors

University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, PA 19104 eas.seas.upenn.edu

Monday, October 11, 2021 6pm, Virtual Only

Attendees:

Executive:		Directors:		At-Large Members:	
Dean Vijay Kumar		Dawn Becket	V	Jason Bethala	
Associate Dean David Meaney		Jim Brennan		Ed Chan	
Jay Olman - Pres.	V	Lyle Brunhofer	V	Parth Chopra	
Carl Clyde - VP	V	Jonathan Dunsay	V	Lamis Elsawah	V
Lauren Hedvat - VP	V	Yijie Hu		David Goldstein	V
Jonathan Lombardo - VP	V	Ramsey Kraya		Patricia He	
Bernard Jones – Sec.	V	Paul McLaughlin		Scott Levitt	
Robert Berkovits – Tres.	V	Kush Mehta		George Lin	
		Jeffrey Ng	V	William McGill	
Past Presidents:		Jason Rifkin		Vasiliki Papanikolopoulos	
Brad Abrams		Craig Schorr		Aastha Puri	
Eric Benshetler		Heather Stern		Manasi Puri	
Tim Carlsen				Amrita Singh	
Farnia Fresnel		Associate Directors:		Aditya Sreekumar	
Marion Hubing		Ernest Churchville	V		
Walter Korn		Qi Fang		Guests:	
Matt Quale	V	Ryan Wade	V	Ken Chen	
Harris Romanoff				Emily Miller	
Sevile Mannickarottu	V	Faculty/Staff:		Sushmitha Yarrabothula	
		Jamie Grant		Sandeep Bhat	
		George Hain		Shira Rieke	
		Brad Richards	V	Michaile Rainey	
				Wendy Sandinsky	
				Kevin Turik	V

X=In-person T=Telephone V=Virtual

I. Call to Order (J. Olman)

a) Meeting called to order at 6:05pm

II. President's Welcome & Remarks

J. Olman

- a) We won't video record this meeting and need further discussions to decide whether to record future meetings
- b) There isn't a lot to discuss during tonight's meeting, so we will do breakout rooms for committee discussions

III. Development Office Report

G. Hain

- a) George not in attendance
- b) Brad provided UPenn Development Update via the following penntoday link
 - https://penntoday.upenn.edu/schools/school-engineering-applied-science
- c) Achieved 50% above prior year's donation goal
- d) Ground broken on the new Amy Gutmann Data Center, she is stepping down after she becomes the US Ambassador to Germany
- e) Power of Women event on Oct 1st: UPenn engineering hosted the event with four panelists, including Lamis Elsawah, Maleka Jackson, Nashira Nalada, LaRhonda Brown-Barrett
 - Lamis is Chair of yPenn Student Group
 - Congrats to Lamis from EASB, great panel and discussion!
- f) Jay What determines the designation of a named hall versus a named building?

IV. Career Services Report

J. Grant

a) Jamie is moving today, but will provide an update at the next meeting

V. Old Business:

- a) Approval of July 19, 2021 and September 13, 2021 Minutes Directors
 - Minutes approved
- b) Open Action Item Review

B. Jones

No open Action Items

VI. New Business:

a) Meet the Board

C. Clyde

- [See Presentation] Carl Clyde EE '83
- "The boy who never left home" been in Philadelphia since birth
- Summary of time at UPenn and after Graduation
- Career Timeline → Enertec and Merck
 - Started in emergency services and then moved into vaccines
 - Now working IT and life cycle management

- Personal B. Love Strutters Comic Club
 - Shared photo from Phillies spring training Bryce Harper's first at bat for Phillies
 - Cannoli Bike Racing Team, sponsored by Bakery
 - Had fractured hip
- Tradition is now that someone volunteers or the presenter selects next presenter
- Brad Will present after November meeting, Dean Vijay Kumar will be a guest at the November EASB meeting
- b) Breakout Rooms Preview

J. Olman

- Started at 6:40pm and ended at 7:00pm
- Rooms:
 - Student programming
 - Alumni programming
 - Engaging student groups
 - DEI and AWE
 - Yarnall Award

VII. Around the Table

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- a) Brad I'm headed to Seattle for the week to visit Alumni at Amazon and Microsoft
- b) Matt Thanks for continuing to innovate, looking forward to seeing how the breakout rooms go
- c) Ernest Great presentation Carl!
- d) Bob Great presentation, I also worked at Grumman

VIII. Adjourn (J. Olman)

a) Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm

The next meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2021 from 6:00pm to 7:00pm, Virtual Only

Minutes prepared by Bernard Jones.