



EGSC Meeting Minutes September 14, 2012

Member Attendance:

Andrew Kang, Cathy Chen, David Parker, Annie Hu, Haofeng Lin, Vipul Singh, Zen Liu, Venk Hariharan, Minsung Han, Haixing Li, Samiksha Nayak, Eddie Vogel, Yuna Saiki, Kevin Dooley, Janice Lee, Sarah Sha, Claire Gao, Purva Nimbalkar, Fengjiao Jiang, Kuber Kaul, David Tagatac, Hebo Yang, Dolly Shin, Autumn Chen, Johnny Chuang, Mengjie Lei, Ya Cai, Jeremy Bernier, Zhuran Jiao, Mohit Singh, Lucy Yan, Jonathan Barclay, Mike Higashioka

Associate Members:

Mark Howard, Hanfu Zhao

I. New Department Representatives for 2012-2013

a. Introductions

1. The new department representatives and executive board members introduced themselves

b. Committee Structure

1. Andrew said the new department representatives need to join at least one committee

II. Academic Affairs

a. Carleton Lounge new paint job?

1. Cathy said EGSC submitted Mudd facilities proposal in spring

b. SEAS Dean Search Committee

1. Andrew said SEAS is searching for a permanent dean, so if anyone feels strongly about what you want in a dean, please let Andrew know

c. Academic Integrity

1. Andrew said this is some issue that we will address at some point

III. Budget

a. Professional Development Scholarship Update

1. Venk said the scholarship is intended to fund students' pursuit of professional and academic opportunities that will have a broad impact on the SEAS community
2. Andrew said we need to emphasize that this is not a way for your faculty advisor to pay for your conference registration or travel
3. Cathy said EGSC won't be deciding who wins the scholarship. A panel that consists of different groups at Columbia will be reviewing the applications.

EGSC executive board members and department representatives are not eligible to apply.

IV. Career/Alumni

- a. Engineering Connect – Thursday, October 4 from 7pm – 9pm in Casa Italian
 - 1. Volunteers Needed
 - i. Andrew said the tickets have been sold out and now the waitlist is open.
 - ii. Andrew said those who have signed up can still volunteer for the event. Anyone interested in volunteering please contact Vipul.
- b. CCE Meeting about PhD Programming - Updates
 - 1. Cathy said there is a fireside chat hosted by CCE. Please let Cathy or Haofeng know if you can think of any topic.
- c. Google Tech Talk – Wednesday, September 12, 2012 @ 7pm in Davis Auditorium
 - 1. Great attendance
 - i. Andrew said there were 200 people attending the event
- d. Putting your Science to Work: Practical Career Strategies for Ph.Ds
 - 1. Tuesday, September 25 @ 1:00PM – 3:00PM in Davis Auditorium
- e. ISSO session for international students
 - 1. Ellie said the session teaches international students who are unfamiliar with the culture the cultural norms and tips on how to go through the interview
- f. VMware Tech Talk - Wednesday, September 26, 2012 @ 6:30pm in Davis Auditorium
- g. Palantir Tech Talk
 - 1. Haofeng said the company visited IEOR department last year. Andrew said they are targeting a good number of engineers
- h. EGSC Alumni List
 - i. Vipul said he has got the names of people from 2005. He will make a list of people's Columbia email as well as their secondary email.
 - ii. Andrew said the LinkedIn group is for former EGSC members and alumni

V. Executive

- a. EGSC Retreat
 - 1. Andrew said there will be a retreat in the next couple of weeks for people to get to know each other

VI. Interschool

- a. FesiFall – Saturday, September 15 @ 4:00PM on Ancell Plaza (SIPA/Law)
 - 1. Andrew said we need volunteers for the event
 - 2. Vipul reminded new students to get the EP sticker from ET 254 before Friday 5pm. Ellie will also send out email reminder to all students.
 - 3. Ellie and Andrew stressed that photo ID is mandatory for the event.

VII. Social

- a. EGSC Happy Hour – Thursday, September 20 @ 6:00PM – 9:00PM in Carleton Lounge
- b. First SEAS Trivia League – Monday, September 24 @ 7:00PM in Carleton Lounge
- c. CEYA Social – Friday, September 28 @ Sidebar (Union Square)