



EGSC Minutes – November 11, 2011

Voting Member Attendance (17/27):

Cathy Chen, Aishwarya Seshadri, Yinghuang Ji, Pranjal Gupta, Ryan Turner, Xiaosi Sun, Michael Lamprecht, Sonali Bhatnager, Kevin Dooley, Badri Hiriyyur, Andres Uribe, Shihab Hamati, Vipul Singh, Kyle Wendler, Hanyue Hu, Vokram Joshi, Haofeng Lin.

1. Santacon Presentation

Nicholas Hesselgrave from General Studies came and gave a short presentation of Santacon. It is a costume party in the city with thousands of people involved for decades. On this December 10th, it will take place in Columbia University. All the school are invited and spend several hours on campus then go to downtown. EGSC doesn't have to pay for this event. He only needs us to help advertising. We all appreciated the idea and will help sending out emails and hanging out the flyers.

2. Executive Board elections announcement

Nomination opens now! People can nominate themselves or others for positions by Friday, December 2 at 5pm. The elections will be on Dec. 9th.

The new executive board members will start in next January.

3. Constitution amendments

There are several proposals changes and the latest edition will be sent out later. We will vote on the Constitution on Dec. 2 meeting.

4. End of semester report

Dean's visit wants our feedback. All chairs and committee members who have headed any event, should start compiling all event information, i.e. flyers, estimated attendance, costs, general feedback, etc.

5. Logo Design

EGSC choose to go with 99designs.com and will send out email to encourage SEAS students to register with the website. We will put up a reward of \$300 and use the voting system on the website to pick up the winner.

6. Academic Affairs Committee

1. Next Dean's Visit – February 3, 2012

2. Student quality of life survey- It will be taken in next semester, since this is our first year of collecting activity fee from students, we do need detailed feedback.

3. Town Hall – April 27, 2012 at noon, about an hour on Dean's calendar.

7. **TEDx**

1. Need EGSC members to help out with networking reception (Tuesday, November 29 @ 5:30-8:00PM). Alumni Office will provide wine, soda and food.
2. We should help organize, setup and run the event. Please email Andrew if you would like to helping out.
3. Please register if interested! Tickets selling out fast.

8. **Budget Committee**

1. Global Alpha Investment Association Discussion – Haofeng is part of GAIA and he brought the list of students who showed their interests in GAIA. Also, he explained more details about how will they use their budget and some other issues. They want to make up the gap of financial groups with quantitative methods in developing investment strategy.
2. After a hands-up-hands-down voting, EGSC approved the graduate student group recognition of GAIA. After a hands-up-hands-down voting, EGSC approved a \$50 budget to support GAIA's first event by the end of this year.
3. If GAIA needs more budget for their future talks, career fairs, and workshops, they are welcomed to reapply on next semester.

9. **Interschool Committee**

1. Adam Ruben (GSAC collaboration) - GSAC wants to invite Adam Ruben onto campus. He is a former PhD student who does a comedy routine based on the perils of graduate school. EGSC has to pay about \$1000 for this event.
2. TC Event Feedback – More people than expected showed up. It was a lot of fun. Hope there can be more collaboration will TC in the future.

10. **Social Committee**

1. Last Happy Hour of Fall - December 1
2. Jets group tickets to a game – Not too many students interested in that and the price runs higher with insufficient people. We decided to cancel it!
3. Rangers group tickets – Make this as an orientation event for Spring 2012. We will purchase 30 tickets, which is \$48 each (food included). The student can buy tickets from us for \$38 per ticket.
4. Midnight breakfast during finals study days – Coffee and cookies, etc.
5. Dave and Busters – Push back to Fall 2012.

11. **Classroom blackboard cleaning issue**

Haofeng brought the issue of classroom blackboard cleaning. The blackboards are quite clean in the morning, but turn dirty in the afternoon after several classed. Perhaps we need better chemical wipers. This issue will be included in our Mudd Facilities Proposal.