



EGSC Meeting Minutes  
September 7, 2012

**Member Attendance:**

Andrew Kang, Cathy Chen, David Parker, Annie Hu, Haofeng Lin, Zen Liu

I. Welcomes

a. Introductions

1. The executive board and the visiting students who are interested in joining EGSC in the fall semester introduced themselves.

b. Committee Structure

1. Andrew and the rest of the exec board, chairs of each committee, introduced the committees.

c. TEDx Columbia Engineering

1. The event is scheduled on October 19, 2012. Please let Andrew know if interested in joining the preparation of the conference.

II. Academic Affairs

a. Renovation of Mudd

1. Cathy said there will be a discussion in next few weeks on the renovation of Mudd, including Carleton Lounge renovation.
2. Cathy said the school has got \$15 million from the city to build a new data center.

b. Committee of Instruction

1. Cathy said the Committee of Instruction has asked to put students on it. The student will become an observer of the committee.
2. Continuing students would be ideal and one-year commitment is required.
3. The committee is meeting every other Wednesday at 12:30pm in 520 Mudd.

III. Administrative

a. New EGSC office – 254 ET

1. Andrew said if anyone is interested in using it, tell Jessie at the front desk and get the key.

IV. Budget

a. Professional Development Scholarship Update

1. Andrew said we will pile up a scholarship or grant for students to apply, since a lot of master students and some PhD students don't have access to outside fund.

V. Career/Alumni

- a. Engineering Connect – Thursday, October 4 from 7pm – 9pm in Casa Italian

1. Andrew said there will be 50-100 alumni there of all different programs and departments.
2. This will be a free event, and people interested need to register online. EGSC member will most likely get the ticket.
- b. CCE Meeting about PhD Programming
  1. Please let Andrew know if interested.
- c. Chinese Grad Student Alumni Panel – November 29 @ Merrill Lynch Headquarters
  1. Haofeng said we will give out 50 tickets. There will be five Chinese and Taiwanese speakers, and all of them have a successful career.
  2. Haofeng said the event will be more focused on general career development advice, which will apply to all industries.
- d. Google Tech Talk – Wednesday, September 12, 2012 @ 7pm in Davis Auditorium
  1. Haofeng said raffle tickets will be distributed and the winner will be announced at the end of the event
- e. VMware Tech Talk - Wednesday, September 26, 2012 @ 6:30pm in Davis Auditorium
- f. Boeing Tech Talk – October 16.
- g. EGSC Alumni List
  1. EGSC Linkedin Group
    - i. Andrew said we are trying to get that going
  2. Compile own list

#### VI. Executive

- a. EGSC Retreat
  1. Andrew said this will be a good way to integrate new members into the council. If anyone has any idea please email Andrew.

#### VII. Interschool

- a. Andrew and Chaitanya have been in touch with other graduate school student leaders. We will have a get-together soon for all student leaders from all schools to get to know people from other schools.
- b. Ultra Light Startups Investor Feedback Forum
  1. Andrew said they will give us free tickets, so please let Andrew know if interested.

#### VIII. Orientation

- a. Feedback
  1. Havana Central was too crowded.
  2. It wasn't easy to mingle with students from other countries.
  3. There was lack of variety of food. Pizza was served every time.
  4. The rooftop event was good.

#### IX. Social

- a. Scavenger Hunt was postponed
- b. SEAS Trivia League
- c. Happy Hour Schedule for Fall 2012
  1. Since there are people who have class every evening, so we decided to vary the days of happy hours from Monday to Thursday.

2. Andrew said department representatives need to volunteer in at least four socials for at least 30 minutes in each.

d. Other Social Events

1. Zen said Six Flag trip will be in October
2. Zen said there will be an end-of-year event and couple of movie nights.
3. If anyone has any ideas, please talk to Zen.

X. TEDx Columbia Engineering

a. Friday, October 19 in Miller Theater

1. Andrew said there is a solid roster of 8-12 speakers. Anyone interested in helping out please let Andrew know.