

**Monday, November 5th, 2007
8:10 PM, BCC 116**

Call to Order 8:13 PM

General meetings of the Engineering Governing Council (EGC) convene at 8:10 PM by the Chair. The Secretary of the EGC shall call the roll at this time.

Approval of the Agenda/Minutes

The agenda for the current meeting shall be approved at this time. Any minutes sent out and/or posted from previous meetings will be approved at this time.

Forum and Reports

Open Discussion *Members of the public are encouraged to speak at this time*

NJPIRG: Thanks for supporting the referendum, we have had about 9500 students vote so we should be wrapping up next week, if anyone is yet to vote they'll be around Hill Centre.

External Representatives

PGC: There is an open forum November 28 5-11 room 120, BCC. This will be an avenue for pharmacy students to complain to professors why they hate pharmacy.

RUSA Chair-Jim Kline: I am the RUSA chair so I am here to update this council on the issues RUSA has been dealing with.

1. Campus safety: We are trying to urge the administration to set up forums for students to hear what students think. There is a students advisory board being set up hopefully someone from this council will be sitting on that board.
2. Legislative affairs: We are always meeting with legislators talking about higher education, this year it seems we are going to have an even worse budget cut, there is a legislative walk through in the works hopefully it will show them why they should fund Rutgers.
3. Whats on your mind month: This is a tool to hear concerns that students have regarding Rutgers. Also the deferred maintenance forms that will be on both the EGC and RUSA websites.

questions

RUSA meetings are every other Thursday nights in the SAC from 7:30 PM

The relationship between RUSA and other councils is what we are working on, COP is really working on that; hopefully we won't have any trouble, so far there are no issues between the EGC and RUSA

It's still early to tell if administration is taking our commendations to heart but so far I have had meetings with the president and his VP and because we are stronger now voice wise it seems we have a greater power on the administration

Everyday we are taking steps to make our meetings more efficient and a lot of anti-RUSA people have been included in our affairs so I think we have a good relationship with the people who were once anti-RUSA.

BOT Rep-Senator Kanj:

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What I do is to represent every Rutgers student on the board of trustees, I sit on 2 committees, the Building and Grounds Committee as well as the Multicultural Committee.

Myself and the BOG Rep have been trying to go to every council so as to be able to relay students opinions to the trustees.

The Board of Trustees is made up of 60 members most of whom are alumni and are prominent members of society, they are in control of land purchased before 1956. They serve as an advisory board to the board of governors. Bulk of the work is done in trustee committees

I think the motives behind the stadium expansion is fair and financing has gone through thorough evaluation financially the project isn't taking anything away from academic financing, the project will be self financing.

what we talk about is confidential so I cant say much. I can tell you that the trustees have recommended to the governors that the stadium should be expanded.

We spoke about the new business school in Newark we also spoke about the new parking lot in Newark.

Also the Livingston student centre expansion was spoken about and we also spoke about the new dining hall on Camden.

BOG Rep- Margaret Coppolo

There are 11 members on the Board of Governors, of which 5 members are from the BOT, we approve the budget and other major decisions made by the university.

During the last meeting, the stadium expansion was discussed even though I wasn't part of the discussions

There is a new welcome centre in Camden so as to welcome the community into Rutgers because it has sort of been separate from the Camden community. The new dining hall on Camden was designed by the same group that designed the Busch dining hall so they look alike.

The middle states report will be discussed at the next senate meeting on Friday.

Just like Wajdi, I support the stadium expansion, the athletics department has brought a lot of students to Rutgers.

It is going to be self financed so as not to pinch into the academia's budget, so far there is no planned date as to when the expansion will start however I can say the project is going to be done in phases.

I don't think a student with voting power on the board of governors is necessary, most of the voting done is more of a formality if the board is doing something that goes against the students' interests, the student reps do have a great voice and we can speak up for the students.

Standing Committee Reports

Finance: funding packets are due on the 13th of November

Events: 14th November 2007, EGC trivia bowl, sign up on egc.rutgers.edu its 4 people per team and the prizes are great

T-Shirts: We have chosen some shirts we just need to revise them and we will email you with the winning designs as soon as possible

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Publicity: We couldn't meet this week however the catapult competition is still progressing, the EGC pens have been ordered. The Halloween event was alright, we did the best we could. Midnight munchies is going to be during the reading days

we are working on getting a bulletin board in SERC

IRC: We have reviewed the SME constitution. Chair review is coming up soon you will be evaluating your committee chairs please be nice

Member of the Month (September): David Chin

Member of the Month (October): Zachary King

UA: The deferred maintenance site is now live go to egc.rutgers.edu

Bryon Shek is investigating campus safety

Zach King is looking into the cleanliness of our eating utensils

John Shaw is working on OSRP

The weekend exams resolution is going to RUSA on Thursday come and support it

Engineering Affairs: Albert Buclary is working on the suggestion boxes hopefully by our next council meeting, we will be done with half of the departmental tours

Society Affairs: Society Presidents' meeting is on Sunday 18th November 2007. Society reps please remind your presidents to attend

In-body Elections and Confirmation of Officers

(2) Class of 2008 Representative

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NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

EGC07F04 Bill to Recognize the Society of Manufacturing Engineers passes 34-3-4

Senator Kanj: Was SME ever recognized by the EGC before?

Yes till 2004 then the board was not effective so we had our accounts frozen, we were the main industrial engineering organization holding events and so we created a lot of connections for the IE department take for example the relationship between Anheuser Busch and the IE department

We are having technical events with industry, study sessions, networking nights

We currently have approximately 20 members including undergrads and grad schools.

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President's Report

We began WOYMM today please sign for at least one hour

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If you are interested in planning Open House this year, please come to the front after the meeting.

On leadership evaluation, you have the chance to evaluate your committee chair and it is totally anonymous don't be scared

If you are interested in speaking to legislators in Trenton, DC, please come speak to us because we will be doing a lot of lobbying this year

Career Night on Wednesday, you will be evaluated by leaders in engineering who are also engineering alumni

If you are a registered voter, go out and vote tomorrow

Society Reports

SWE: Research fair on Wednesday 7 – 8:30 at the fireside lounge, meet with professors

MA: we had a movie night on Thursday (Real Genius) we are having a lecture by Dr. Kline at 6:00 next week, we are planning a factory tour soon. There will be a paint ball outing December 1st contact kyle. Our Sakai site is up and we have professors who have open research positions open

EWB: we have a general body meeting on Wednesday

Keramos: we have decided on our fundraiser, selling MSE shirts, we are having a holiday event with faculty in December

RFR: The suspension part of the chassis is being done.

HKN: IBM is coming down to talk about how we are becoming one with computers in the CoRE November 14th at 7

IEEE: Accenture came in at our last meeting, on Wednesday we have a PSPICE tutorial.

Pi Club: On Wednesday we have a talk on Tic-Tac-Toe strategies 8:30 PM room 122 in the Busch campus centre

SHE: we had a conference this weekend, and we won most outstanding chapter, tomorrow at 6:30PM we are having a talk about financial aid

AIAA: BBQ two Wednesdays from now

Internal Representative and Committee Reports

BCC: We passed our first bill written by Werner, we are going to have a dinner night soon it will be held in the dining hall

RUSA: We are cataloging discussions with legislators, we are also discussing the SCI report, also we are discussing textbook rental policies.

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Press Questions

Adjournment

The Secretary of the EGC shall call roll at this time

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