

# CEGSAC 2019-2020 Meeting Minutes

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**CEGSAC Monthly Meeting -1**

**10/02/2019**

**Location:** HAMP 2118

**Time:** 3:30 PM – 4:30PM EST

## **Overview:**

The meeting was organized to discuss the aspects that would drive the committees, events and goals of CEGSAC for the year 2019-20. Discussions included the following broad topics.

1. Introduction of new members
2. Website updates
3. Mentorship Program updates
4. Updates from committee co-chairs
5. Instructions to apply for and receive reimbursements

The discussions are described in depth in the following sections.

## **Topics Discussed:**

### **1. *Introduction of new members***

Attendees were requested to introduce themselves to the group.

### **2. *Website updates***

Website has been updated with names and information of new registered members.

### **3. *Mentorship Program updates***

- All registered mentees have been assigned mentors.
- All registered pairs of mentors and mentees have had their first meeting and mentors have submitted respective reports.

\*Agustin and Lisa plan on creating and sending anonymous feedback surveys to mentors and mentees to help improve the program

### **4. *Updates from committee co-chairs***

Committees were requested to present events planned for the semester.

#### **I. *Professional Development Committee (Presenter: Sandra Villamizar)***

- *Research bytes*
  - Date: October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 4:30 PM, HAMP 1144

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Collaborators: CESAC, BSAC, NASTT

Presenters: Herta Montoya, Brad Choi, Jonathan Monical, Ata Taghipour

Topic: Research at Bowen Laboratory, Purdue (Abstract of presentations will be obtained by Friday)

Refreshments – Dr. Irfanoglu has offered to sponsor cookies and coffee. CEGSAC intends to sponsor pizza.

Approximately 100 students are expected to attend

- Date: November 12<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 PM, HAMP 3153

Collaborators: CESAC/ITE

Presenter: TBA

Topic: Transportation

- *Research Symposium*

- Date and time: \*To be decided based on discussions with CE Advisory Council, Carmen and Dr. Govindaraju.

Invitation list: The list of companies that attended in the past needs to be retrieved from Emma. INDOT and selected National Labs in the US are on the tentative list of invitees. Environmental engineering companies may also be invited.

Issues: Obtaining contact information for invitees (a meeting with Emma and Srinath will be arranged for this)

- *Emerging Leaders*

Alumni who have graduated 5-10 years ago talk about what made them successful in the industry.

- Date and Time – To be decided based on discussion with Deb

Topics to suggest to presenters

\*Note: It was decided that Civil engineering faculty and other organizations would be informed about events organized by the professional development committee.

## II. *Cultural and Outreach Committee (Presenter: Dan Huang)*

- *Corn Maze*

Date: October 19, 5-8 PM, Meet at Armstrong around 4 and go together

Status: Flyer and RSVP link are being prepared to make arrangements for rides to Exploration Acres

- *Colombian Annual party*

Date: Mid-November

Collaborator: Colombian Student Association at Purdue

- *Spring Festival (Jan)*

- *Ice-skating*

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- Social Night 1 &2 – Date to be coordinated with newly admitted students

### III. *Sports, Health and Wellness Committee (Presenters: Harsh Bohra and Vito Francioso)*

- *CAPS Workshops*

Date: October 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-7:00 PM

\*Date clashes with the Scholarship banquet and maybe revised

Topic: Mental Wellness

- *Hiking Series*

Date: Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup> (10:00 am to 5:00 PM)

\*Date clashes with Homecoming

Location: Indiana Dunes State National Park

Transportation: To be arranged probably by carpooling. Participants may be charged a nominal fee of \$10 and snacks will be provided

\*Dennis needs to check if drivers can be reimbursed through the University

\*Requirement for approval through Boilerlink needs to be confirmed

- *Sports Tournaments*

Date: Weekend once a month

Location: Corec – reservation process needs to be confirmed

Students are requested to assist with selection of the sport per weekend

- End semester coffee break

Date: December 13 (tentative)

\*Would work better during Dead Week.

### 5. ***Instructions to apply for and receive reimbursements***

Brief instructions were provided by Dennis about receiving reimbursements for expenditures made towards CEGSAC activities

- CEGSAC members are requested to send receipts to Hwa-Ching “Dennis” Wang at - [wang3295@purdue.edu](mailto:wang3295@purdue.edu)
- Reimbursements will be sent in the form of a cheque and so members should include their address in the email with receipts.
- When ordering food or other services, members are requested to give a 20% tip to personnel.
- Alcohols and gift cards will not be reimbursed!!

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## **6. Additional announcements**

- I. Announcements from Jennifer Ricksy  
The upcoming week is Homecoming week. Students are encouraged to meet and interact with Alumni as this could be a promising opportunity for future employment.
- II. Announcements from PGSG Senator, Mohammadhasan Sasar
  - Student Bill of Rights is available for student.
  - PGSG is a platform to bridge the gap between students and Purdue admin
  - PGSG provides multiple supportive benefits to graduate students in the form of grants, child-care facilities etc. Mohammad has requested that students speak with him if they would like to learn more about these facilities.
- III. General announcements  
Volunteers are required for a student Panel as part of CE691 on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 AM, HAMP 1144. Interested students are requested to email Romika R. Kotian. Agustin and Lisa have volunteered so far.

*Attendance:*

### **Attendees:**

#### ***Students***

1. Dan Huang
2. Beyza Kiper
3. Sunny Sharma
4. Harsh Bohra
5. Deepak Suthar
6. Vito Francioso
7. Preety Tiwari
8. Prekshi Khanna
9. Amogh Khare
10. Rajat Verma
11. Mrighanabh Boruah
12. Mohammadhasan Sasar
13. Abhishek Ajmani
14. Chandan KDS
15. Edgar Soriano
16. Jose Capa Salinas
17. Suyash Padhye
18. Mingmin Liu

#### ***Advisors***

1. Dr. Dulcy Abraham
2. Jennifer Ricksy

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19. Jonathan Monical
20. Sandra X. Villamizar
21. Hwa-Ching Wang
22. Lisa L. Losada Rojas
23. Romika Kotian
24. Agustin Quinones
25. Jiannan Cai