

CEGSAC 2019-2020 Meeting Minutes

CEGSAC Executive Meeting -5

04/09/2020

Location: WebEx

Time: 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM EST

Overview:

Everyone on the call was asked to give a general update about how they were doing followed by discussions of aspects of the COVID 19 situation and how CEGSAC was planning to navigate it through the Spring 2020 semester. Discussions included the following broad topics.

1. PGSG Announcements
2. Events
3. Elections

The details are provided in the following sections.

Topics Discussed:

1. PGSG Announcements (Mohammadhasan Sasar)

- **Grad Student Town Hall meeting** scheduled for Tuesday, April 14 from 5:30 – 7:00 pm on Zoom. Students are encouraged to attend this meeting.
Details to join the meeting are below –
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/763147641?pwd=QkNldkw0Z2Z4TkFkWHM2M2FPTVVMUT09>
Meeting ID: 763 147 641
Password: 028116
- CEGSAC will present concerns and grievances of civil engineering students to **Dr. Abraham** and Dr. **Rao S. Govindaraju** requesting them to address these concerns at the Grad Student Town Hall meeting.
- Apprehensions related to students' mental health, funding for summer, and concerns with pre-recorded online classes were emphasized by students in the survey sent out by CEGSAC.
- PGSG plans on offering funds up to \$500 to graduate students who may need assistance through spring and summer 2020 semesters.
- The number of graduate students who would need assistance should inform Mohammadhasan Sasar preferably before the town hall meeting.

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2. Events (Lisa)

The College of Engineering shared a list of platforms for student organizations that would like to conduct virtual events. Some of the platforms and events being considered for CE graduate students are provided below.

- Board games
 - When: Tentatively third week of April
 - Up to 10 students can participate in a game with an account that allows access to free games.
 - 2 to 3 games will be chosen and interested students will be invited to participate.
 - An account is required.
- Netflix party for movies
 - More details to be gathered from CoE

3. Elections (Lisa and Agustin)

- CGSAC will elect a new set of Executive Board members for the 2020-21 academic years.
- A new position for **Website/Social Media Administrator** was introduced this year to handle the social media activities for CGSAC.
- Nominations were open till the 10th of April 2020.
- Elections will take place on th 20th of April 2020.
 - The possibility of attending monthly GSO meetings in turns for the CGSAC members was discussed as Information on events organized by other organizations on campus can be obtained through these meetings.

Attendance:

1. Agustin Quinones
2. Jiannan Cai
3. Lisa Lorena Losada Rojas
4. Hwa-Ching Wang
5. Romika R. Kotian
6. Abhishek Ajmani
7. Ata
8. Deepak Suthar
9. Jose Capa Salinas
10. Mohamed Samir Yamany

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11. Mohammadhasan Sasar
12. Mrighnabh
13. Rajat Verma
14. Sandra Villamizar