Meeting Tuesday 24th July 2018

- Bev, Prof. Morgan present; Aditi, Ayse, Kaustabh absent
- Meeting went little over end-time
- **GSO Symposium Discussion**: Thursday 16th Aug 2018
 - Will show cards during oral to indicate 5min, 1min warning
 - o 15 min presentation with 5 min questions
 - o Proctor gives introduction to each presenter
 - o Amanda will add expense for folders and name tags
 - o Posters for GSO, Women in Engineering can be included in poster session

Symposium Updates

- o President David Rokke
 - Contacting original speaker choice for next year
 - Planning to start speaker search earlier
 - Current speaker asked to print a special booklet for each attendee
 - Considering to print a couple, and distribute electronic copies
 - 2 reps have signed up so far
- Industrial Packet: Aidan Coffey
 - Talked with Amanda about folders and name tags
 - Asked to wait till near event before collecting
- o <u>Judging:</u> <u>Mihit Parekh</u>
 - Got 4 judges for poster.
 - Waiting for 6 more
 - Updated certificates
- o <u>Publications A: Tony Mathew</u>
 - Worked on abstract cover page with Ayse
 - Waiting for resume cover page
- Publications B: Ayşe Eren
 - Has made new designs for certificates
- o <u>Refreshment:</u> <u>Akriti, Kai Jin</u>
 - Food is confirmed
- o Scheduling: Blake Finkenauer, Jessica Torres, Bev Johnson
 - All abstracts received
 - Waiting for one photo
 - Abstracts should be sorted by research area
 - Draft schedule made
 - 26 resumes. Some people making minor edits

• Non-Symposium Discussion

- Dept funds students upto May of first year
- o Dept guarantees funding for 4 years; subject to satisfactory performance
- Change to make mandatory for all incoming students to meet their mentor at least once

- Should pursue participation in Agri event; sufficient interest.
- o Don't need to encourage faculty to push students to participate
- 3rd years usually schedule CaBrewing event. Not a GSO event. Usually done in first week of Aug
- o GSO Block party usually first Friday of semester. Responsibility of social chair
- Giving mugs just to PhD students

• Non-Symposium Updates

- President: David Rokke
 - Filling up application for College of Engineering funding
 - Breaking barriers and making bridges is theme this year
 - Preferably incorporate other depts in events
- o <u>Vice President</u>: <u>Vinny Pizzuti</u>
 - Will look into calender
 - Need to check if enough mugs to give
- o First Year: Jessica Torres, Mihit Parekh
 - For incoming students, will be doing activities; Tue and Wed during lunch hour
 - Organising mentor-mentee program
 - Planning to assemble mentor list by next week
 - Met with some new graduate students
- o <u>Publications</u>: <u>Tony Mathew</u>
 - Started posting on Twitter and Facebook
 - Updating website
- o <u>Safety: Kai Jin</u>
 - Safety committee will have inspection Aug 1
 - Expecting only labs who didn't perform well last time
- o Social: Ayşe Eren
 - Turkey Run State Park happened
 - 6 attended
- Sports: Kyle Weideman
 - 19 people for social event so far
 - Probably cap at 20
- Sustainability: Akriti
 - For 150th Agri symposium, 10 people filled survey. 50% said "maybe" for participating.
 - Need to ask level of participation asked for
 - Clothing donation drive poster finalized
 - Can put up poster on LCD monitor
- o Bev Johnson:
 - Monday 13th Aug, 10am: GSO introduction for incoming students
 - Roughly 90 students overall (Masters + PhD)
 - Planning building tour, 4pm-5pm; with some GSO members
 - Wed, 11am-12pm: Student panel for questions from incoming students. First year reps will be involved
 - Schedule finalized
 - Incoming students will be required to attend Symposium