

GSO Meeting - April 4, 2022

- Attendance (in person):



Or link:

https://boilerlink.purdue.edu/event/7710133/attend?Vud=4/7/2022&Vut=21:30:00&Hash=kSsiEZh0jz9PWrhgi-zWromAbwmPbrP8QjFWwCodh5Io9UHAsbGbn_40be1c57uNJ0uOqF0KwgdUMe6fiEu4kKwcuSP2boBJp63VAIx16PZJZ4C1RxMZLqxPxNb80Nw9P6lY--5JurMi71MPuSE2zAwFNY6JbPAxt0NjMRBuLz0qRZ52zdXzSJyoIwMXSMiIaZLVuw9oP68IOsGc6YkAMfAwCuFoDgIp7ED3YytvVKjlh2QPXlbOWPdhCNCiwtaU4ZXzu5r787ifXpU0L9O9XNWFvjy85MIMdrop6C-v1U6xOKricKdBvEtDUTapI3dUyiTpA4-rX6Mf-rbYyQezrw

Officer Updates:

- VP/Treasurer (Daniel):
 - Prelim prep sux
 - [Events Google Sheet](#)

- Refrigerator for first years
 - <https://www.target.com/p/whirlpool-3-1-cu-ft-mini-refrigerator-stainless-steel-wh31s1e/-/A-17304429#lnk=sametab>
 1. Need to check surplus store
 2. Yash - Purdue staff removed for maintenance - Nov 29th
- JimmyJohns account for GSO
 - GSO email?
 1. Make new Gmail
- Reservation system for bookshelf
 - Sign in/out sheet on bookshelf
 - Someone (who?) checks bookshelf on daily/weekly basis to see if it's up to date.
 1. Periodically updates a google spreadsheet?

We've recently installed a new book shelf into the grad student lounge! I wanted to reach out to all of you (primarily senior students intending to graduate soon) to open up the opportunity for you to donate any old textbooks that you no longer use or need. Our intent is to have this bookshelf as a communal source for technical information that may be useful to your research or any classes you may be taking.

Our current plan for "checking out" books is to use the sign in/out sheet attached to the bookshelf. Please use them when borrowing/returning any of the books. We've also created a spreadsheet and encourage those borrowing books to update a book's status when borrowing/returning books as well as for those donating books to add any new books to the spreadsheet. GSO will also be periodically checking the spreadsheet to ensure everything is up to date.

Thanks for your donations, and please reach out if you have any questions!

- Co-Curricular (Ilke):
 - Draft email to Dr. Corti
- Communications (Alex):
 - **Look how to import calendar to email!**
- First Year Representatives (Melissa & Anne):
 - 1st year snack break on Thursday
 - End of semester picnic
 - Dates we should avoid?
 - April 22nd picnic from grad school
 - May 9th Solar
 - May 10th Townhall
 - April 30- arbor day
- Outreach (Ara):
 - March: Murdock STEM Night (March 29)
 - (5 - 6:30PM, Tuesday March 29th)

- ChE grad students + undergrads
 - Solar Racers (End of semester, **May 9th**)
 - Tecumseh Junior High
 - Talk about plans
 - Another game night with undergrads? AChE willing to fund
- Safety (David):
 - Office inspections
 - Empty offices...
 - Safety Committee meeting
 - Grad students don't submit much to the anonymous link...
 - Link being created to submit directly to Dr. Nagy (more official channel)
- Social Chair (Zuhal):
 - In two to three weeks, I am planning a Jackbox game night. Cost expected to be very low.
 - Ice skating - OXE

It was so much fun for the attendees. I got really good feedback. We are gonna continue collaborating with OMEGA
 - Feb - coffee break

Attendance was great.
- Sports Chair (Bereket):
 - IM: Basketball, volleyball, soccer
 - Badminton social event: Completed and Successful
 - Total cost: \$15.
 - GSO March Madness underway
 - Email sent out, winner gets a branded cup GSO (Kurt told me there's one in the basement).
- Student Advocacy (Sydney):
 - Question about REM facility tour
- Sustainability (Jiselle):
 - **Highway Cleanup - Fri., April 22 (8-10 AM) - Earth Day :**)
 - I have gloves, trash bags, and 7 Hi-Vis vests
 - We will clean up US-52 from mile marker 41.2 to 43
 - Einstein Bagels + Coffee will be provided
 - SAO Approval Status - **Pending**
 - **Food Finders - Next event on Sat., April 23 (11:45-2 PM)**
 - 5 slots open! (3 people signed up so far!)
 - **Arbor Day - Tree Planting with Tree Lafayette - Sat., April 30**

- Teams of 3-6 people for time slots is the goal.
 - 12 people signed up so far! :)
- PGSG (Montgomery):
 - Graduate Student Appreciation Week (4/4/22 - 4/8/22)
 - Posters are already posted in the building



- Voted in favor of a resolution to ensure collaboration between the LGBTQ+ center and PUSH to further ensure gender-affirming healthcare on campus
 - [PGSG GSO grants](#) - 3 spring application due dates
 - 1500 max, one award per fiscal year with one application per submission period
 - Cannot be used in tandem with symposium grant
 - Deadlines
 1. April 6th
 - Open invitation for legislation specific to graduate student needs
- President (Paulina):
 - Townhall/elections: May 10th
 - Symposium Speaker - Dr. Gautam Kumar - Intel (from Dr. Beaudoin)
 - April 19 - committee meeting
 - Professional Dev Survey -31 responses so far. Will send out reminder email on Wednesday (week after initial email). Preliminary results:
 - Do you know what you want to do when you graduate?
 1. Undecided - 15 people
 - I am considering "non-traditional" careers (traditional careers being academia and industry, non-tra

1. Yes - 6
 2. No - 16
 3. Maybe - 9
- I understand what it takes to achieve my career goals
 1. Strongly agree - 5
 2. Somewhat agree -17
 3. Neither agree nor disagree - 6
 4. Somewhat disagree - 2
 5. Strongly disagree -1
 - Q7 - I feel supported by my advisor to achieve my career goals
 1. Strongly agree - 10
 2. Somewhat agree -15
 3. Neither agree nor disagree - 4
 4. Somewhat disagree - 2
 5. Strongly disagree - 0
 - Q23 - I feel supported by the chemical engineering department to achieve my career goals
 1. Strongly agree - 7
 2. Somewhat agree -10
 3. Neither agree nor disagree - 2
 4. Somewhat disagree - 10
 5. Strongly disagree - 2
 - Q20 - I'm aware of career and professional development resources
 1. Strongly agree - 2
 2. Somewhat agree -13
 3. Neither agree nor disagree - 8
 4. Somewhat disagree - 4
 5. Strongly disagree - 4
 - Q11 - I would like the chemical engineering department to provide additional resources for professional development
 1. Strongly agree - 15
 2. Somewhat agree -10
 3. Neither agree nor disagree - 6
 4. Somewhat disagree - 0
 5. Strongly disagree - 0
 - Q12 - I would like the chemical engineering department to provide a structured professional development program. (This program will include a mandatory short (~20 min) survey to match you with mentors and career resources.)

1. Strongly agree - 14
 2. Somewhat agree -11
 3. Neither agree nor disagree - 5
 4. Somewhat disagree - 0
 5. Strongly disagree - 1
- Q13 - Without a structured professional development program, I might not know who to turn to/feel uncomfortable approaching other faculty for advice
 1. Strongly agree - 9
 2. Somewhat agree -11
 3. Neither agree nor disagree - 5
 4. Somewhat disagree -5
 5. Strongly disagree - 1
 - Q29 - In what year(s) of your study would a professional development program be most useful?
 1. 1st year - 2
 2. 2nd year - 10
 3. 3rd year - 26
 4. 4th year -20
 5. 5th year - 13
 6. Other -1
 - Q31 - How often would you like to interact with your mentor in the context of the Professional Development Program? <open ended>
 1. Monthly - 4
 2. Once per semester - 1
 - Q32 - Do you want to comment on your responses in this section?
 1. I would like to say that my reasons for selecting the 3rd year as that year wherein professional development would be most useful to me is my hope that, by this time, I would have advanced enough in the program to possibly perform an internship at a govt. research lab or an industrial environment. Hence my reasoning.
 2. I don't think this should be a top priority for GSO to be implementing. There are many professional development outlets for PhD students, but GSO represents the only social outlet for PhD students in chemical engineering, and should focus more on that.

3. It might be helpful to include chemE PhDs from alternative/non-traditional paths at the Tues/Thurs seminars

- Q16 - Is there anything else you would like to share with us?
 1. This could be a wonderful opportunity.
 2. I think this is a great idea

- Staff Advisor (Bev):
 - Dog walking
 - Move documents/files to drive
 - Pizza on wednesday 1pm
- Faculty Advisor (Dr. Morgan):