



Davidson School of
Chemical Engineering



Minutes of Meeting – Chemical Engineering Graduate Student Organization

Tuesday June 28th 2022, 1:00 PM -2:00 PM

Meeting Location: Forney Hall of Chemical Engineering 3062B and via Zoom

Attendees:

Montgomery Smith – President
Jiselle Thornby
Angelique Klimek
Jackson Harris
Melissa Marsing

Dr. John Morgan – Faculty Advisor
Dharini Varadharajan
Annie Sun
Anne Serban
Mahit Vaddadi

Meeting Start: 1:00 PM

Old Business

There was no old GSO-related items that was discussed in the meeting. Also, please fill the events sheet if a new event is wanted.

Website and Social Media

Instagram is up and running. It's [@chegsopurdue](#). Still need to update the website based on the pronouns and small edits along with the symposium.

1st Year Booklet

The email list of the incoming graduate student class has been obtained and the document has been sent. The mentor-mentee program has been worked on.

Cleanups and Safety

An office cleanup will occur and is brought up to the safety meeting. Also, the dungeon will be cleaned up in August. An anonymous survey will also be sent to the student body.

Social Events

A summer hike will be planned and recommendations were made on creating a mahjong event, poker tournament, and an overall game night. There are also plans to co-host 1-2 events per semester per club.

Student Advocacy

Someone has asked for toilet seat covers. However, it was not considered to be a pressing matter.

Sports Events

The sand volleyball attendance is on BoilerLink. The committee chose the date to be July 15th as Fridays usually have the best turnout. Melissa, Jackson, and Montgomery will help sell tickets. A logo will be needed for their fundraiser flier and they are all on the drive. Tickets are normally \$10 - use the code and it's only \$8 - \$4 go to us and \$4 go to them. The promo code is **ChemE**. Emails will be sent out to all graduate chemical engineering students and professors and at the day of the game, a table will be set up to sell last-minute tickets. Melissa will send out to ChE grad students and faculty. Other ways to advertise were considered such as physical fliers on campus and surrounding area or at the Co-rec. There is also a badminton night at Monday, **July 25** from 6-7PM. The court space has been reserved and Mahit will make a flier for social media. An open volleyball tournament fundraiser is also in plans to raise more funds for the GSO. However, we need to figure out whether there are any limitations on fundraisers, especially for non-Purdue participation. Also, a mini-golf and badminton event will be planned.

Sustainability Initiatives

A Food finders event is planned for July 16 and a plant giveaway will occur in September.

President's Updates

Please take event pictures! A folder has been added to the drive for this year's photos. Also, a new link tree has been made for all things GSO - <https://linktr.ee/chegsopurdue> and will be added to the website. The First Year Welcome is confirmed on August 15th, 10:30-3:30 (must book for minimum of 5hrs - \$75).

Staff Advisor Updates

For the Qualifier committee in the last 2 weeks of September, a panel of graduate students will be assembled to help those going through it and comfort food will be provided.

GSO Symposium

In terms of planning, we are waiting on contract signatures for symposium registration website. The proposed schedule is shown below and will accommodate 26 speakers. The brochure has also been drafted. For those presenting orally, a reminder email should be sent on June 23rd and a reminder should be scheduled in the morning of June 30th. Younger students will be asked to move to the poster session.

WEDNESDAY

Meet & Greet
07:00 PM

THURSDAY

Breakfast
07:30 AM – 8:30 AM

Keynote Address
08:30 AM – 9:30 AM

Student Presentations (I)
09:30 AM – 12:00 AM

Lunch
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM

Poster Session
12:50 PM – 02:50 PM

Student Presentations (II)
02:50 PM – 04:40 PM

Closing
04:45 PM

Awards
07:00 PM

FRIDAY

Online Interviews (optional)
All day

First contact Industrial Liaison Emails must be sent out no later than next Wed. Resume and Abstract formats will be finalized today and emails will be sent requesting them from all those involved. Abstracts will also be needed from speakers. Parking permits for reps are listed as a responsibility for the scheduling coordinators (**Bev**, Melissa, Anne) and should be available through the main office.

A new 3MT style portion of the symposium was proposed which would allow for more speakers in a shortened format. However, it was felt that it was not needed at the moment. Kurt sent in a new menu request to the caterer and we are still awaiting response as the contact is sick. Maeve from CISTAR said she's confident that CISTAR member companies would be interested. Kurt is still tracking down the best way to contact CISTAR member companies about it and has reached out to Peter Keeling.