



Davidson School of
Chemical Engineering



Meeting Minutes – Chemical Engineering Graduate Student Organization (GSO)

Monday, January 23, 2023, 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

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

Attendees:

Montgomery Smith – President

Ajay Harishankar Kumar

Jiselle Thornby

Michael Woulfe

Tyler Roberts

Kiruba Catherine Vincent

Kurt Russell

Anne Serban

Angelique Klimek

Melissa Marsing

Annie Sun

Austin Choi

Bev Johnson – Staff Advisor

Dr. John Morgan – Faculty Advisor

Julayne Moser – Master's Program

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- Potentially weekly meetings leading up to grad student recruiting weekend (Mar 2-5, 2023), but not immediately. Joined by Julayne for Masters' program GSO equivalent
 - PGSO (Masters' GSO) connecting w/ GSO (PhD)
 - Jiselle: Event sheet GOOD!
 - Tyler – Negotiation workshop this Thursday (1/26, 6PM ET)
 - Ajay + Michael: Mugs (no snacks) for current 1st years for office cleanup
 - Kurt: Murdock dates are 1/31, every two weeks after up through 4/25. (V-day and Pi day!). Not March 28 bc seminar. Potential working with AIChE to increase amount of grades to reach at Murdock.
 - Solar rollers (no potential date yet), STEM night (probably 3/21, 5PM).
 - Catherine: Arrived from Chennai, working to organize office cleanup (tentatively 2/1) w/ Melissa

- Angelique: First coffee chat last week. 25 cups of coffee (powder) made more than 25 cups of coffee(???). Still going 3rd Tuesday each month (next 2/21). Game night this Friday 1/27 in Atrium (5-7 PM).
 - Vote for Events
 - Movie night for February (G124/B124, provide snacks, first week of Feb-ish)
 - March event: something to take advantage of warmer weather (hopefully!). Axe throwing, trampoline park, mini golf (\$8/person), lots of stuff to do at Malibu Jack's (group rates available) Also drinks!
 - April event: Picnic or hiking or both! Turkey Run possibly?
 - Research group competition! Hogwarts houses? (Bio is Hufflepuff). 5-6 members per team, Angelique will plan team breakdowns.
 - Bev: Rented out Ripple for visit weekend (Sat. 3/4 afternoon), have Kurt run trivia (bc no Purdue game to watch)
- Anne: No updates
- Mellissa: Bowling for 1/30 5-7PM.
 - Feb: Roller skating, \$5/person in Lafayette from 6-8PM
 - Maybe rock climbing? \$60/hour but concerns with "training" etc.
- Annie: PGSG mental health partnership grant ("easy" \$250 apparently). Might tie in with movie night? Lawn games? Mid-February deadline for funding. Eligible once per year.
 - Some events: Research-O-Rama (Thursday 3/2, 5-7PM). Mental health week (in need of volunteers!).
- Montgomery: Lots of things in the meeting agenda google doc.
 - Couches in grad lounge are set up. Going to put up a mural (need Nick/Jeff approval). Some people want a projector for movies in the grad lounge, may run against the "spirit" of the grad lounge. Grad lounge room cleaning (needs work order, similar to conference rooms).
 - Need to clean out GSO closet

- Bev (staff advisor): Colloquium for March 2-5. Email from Eli Lilly reps (skip). Intel reps, breakfast at 8:30 am, Wednesday (1/25) morning 3059. GSO forced volunteering for colloquium.
- Dr. Morgan (faculty advisor): desk space for grad students/visiting scholars/postdocs (currently at capacity). Will try looking for space in the business office. Second is the dungeon (probably not a good idea for first years, but isn't used much after fall semester...). Department currently growing, only one lab space, maybe computational groups bc they work from home a lot?