

Meeting Minutes – Chemical Engineering Graduate Student Organization (GSO)**Monday, February 6, 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

Dharini Varadharajan

Melissa Marsing

Angelique Klimek

Austin Choi

Annie Sun

Bev Johnson – Staff Advisor

Dr. John Morgan – Faculty Advisor

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- No old business
 - Jiselle: event sheet still good!
 - Tyler: negotiation workshop was on 1/26, mostly on zoom. Not just from Purdue.
 - Austin: GSO website hiccups but fine now
 - Sharing Canva projects to group? (Done in top right corner)
 - Ajay + Michael: GSO mugs out, currently brainstorming funny thing to put on the back
 - Kurt: First Murdock night went well
 - STEM night: March 21, 2023, probably 5 pm (arrive at 4:30 to help set up)
 - Solar rollers in the works
 - Katherine: Office cleanup on 2/3. Working with Gabriela for ChESS events. Some anonymous submissions to safety survey. Also note: candles not allowed in offices (no open flames)
 - Angelique: Game night 1/27, went well!
 - Coffee chat: Third Tuesday of each month (change poster, send out all three at once)
 - Planning future events: axe throwing is the most popular choice

- Try not to overlap with colloquium (trivia, Malibu Jack's, etc)
 - Open colloquium Malibu Jack's to whole department
 - Research group competition still in the works, very likely on April 15th (Saturday)
- Melissa:
 - Skating scheduled 2/27 in Lafayette from 6-8 pm
 - March madness bracket – prize?
 - Volleyball for 3/27 from 5-7 pm
 - Badminton for 4/24 from 5-7 pm
- Anne: Candles in offices not allowed (student and faculty)
- Dharini:
 - Food finders on 2/24 (Friday second shift, 2:45 to 5 pm). Thinking about one per month, but weekends are already booked.
 - Highway clean-up in spring (perhaps on Earth day?)
 - New events (succulent giveaway, maybe on Arbor day 4/28?)
 - Perhaps a warm sweater day (turn down building temp, encourage wearing sweaters)
 - Difficult to adjust building temp, Jeff needs to put in a work order, many thermostats to adjust, etc.
 - From Kurt: general sustainability informational event? How to save water when showering, doing the dishes, saving electricity at home, perhaps around Earth day time?
 - From Montgomery: add a section in the grad guide on how to live in Greater Lafayette on the department stipend (affording food, saving money, etc).
Separate: address water use given IN is a Great Lakes state?
- Annie:
 - Mental health partnership event
 - Grant: \$250 for an event promoting mental health **or** Strategic Partnership - \$250-750 for “Community, Life, Career” themes
 - From Montgomery: perhaps do something for Black history month? Sopuru is head of the society of Black engineers
- Montgomery:
 - Forney cup: annual grad vs undergrad competition?
 - GSO constitution
 - Meeting attendance? Make mandatory in GSO constitution?
 - New officer for Diversity, Equity, Inclusion (DEI) committee? Serve on the committee for one year to connect DEI and GSO
 - Amend the constitution for how to fill mid-term vacancies? Currently people are chosen and voted for internally (last semester was a department-wide election against what is written in the constitution)
 - Grad lounge cleaning on 2/9 (Thursday)
- Bev:
 - Colloquium student list out, March 2-5. **Meet every week starting now to plan for colloquium!**