



Davidson School of
Chemical Engineering



Meeting Minutes – Chemical Engineering Graduate Student Organization (GSO)

Monday, July 17, 2023, 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

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

Attendees:

Jiselle Thornby – President

Angelique Klimek

Zachary Beickman

Esra Ulgey

Juan Alban

Ted Kim

Austin Choi

Marisa Egan

Dr. John Morgan – Faculty Advisor

Bev Johnson – Staff Advisor

Symposium

- 13 people signed up for oral presentations (deadline was pushed to this week)
 - Send final reminder email and potentially extend to end of this week
- 27 poster presentations now (with a soft max of 30 to fit in atrium)
 - Tyler will keep track of registrations to ensure there are not too many sign-ups
- Still no company sign-ups
 - Links are all functional, email has been sent out
 - Will attach brochure and send new round of emails, hopefully the brochure will increase responsiveness)
- Keynote speaker has been secured (Shankali Pradhan)
 - Jiselle and Angelique will procure a speaker gift this week
- Regarding the brochure, need to adjust for this year's information
 - For schedule, move breakfast to 8:30 am and last 30 mins. Student presentations will begin at 9:00 am rather than beginning with keynote. Keynote will be before lunch to encourage attendance.

- For food on Symposium day, limit food for breakfast/lunch to industrial representatives and student speakers only (not open to general student body, poster only presenters, etc.)
 - Will likely have Bev and/or some GSO officers to enforce
 - Want to avoid running out of food like last year
 - Ted suggested a food ticket system which is a good idea but may not be necessary with other measures

Officer Updates

- Angelique (VP/Treasurer)
 - Events sheet made through Google sheets, please use (even for free events!)
- Tyler (Co-Curricular)
 - Out of country until the 27th but is still reachable by email.
- Austin (Communications)
 - Nothing new
- Ted and Esra (First Year Reps)
 - Mentor-Mentee form will be sent this week
 - First-year picnic has been booked
 - Buses already booked too!
- Sarah (Outreach)
 - Hopefully has/will have a copy of GSO closet key
- Catherine (Safety)
 - Not present
- Begum (Social Chair)
 - Not present, but sent a list of planned events and budgets
 - Coffee chat request may be slightly large, but others check out
- Mitchell (Sports)
 - Not present
- Zachary (Student Advocacy)
 - Attended the GSAC meeting last week

- New EDGE program on Zoom, helps connect incoming students with current students to candidly talk about available resources, campus life, etc. Hopefully some students are available to participate
- Marisa (Sustainability)
 - N/A
- Isaac (PGSG Rep)
 - Not present
- Juan (DEI)
 - Draft for survey shared with GSO for suggestions
 - Jiselle suggested adding open-ended questions rather than having everything be a 1-10 scale, such that students can give more specific/detailed input
- Jiselle (President)
 - July monthly email sent
 - Will officially retire GSO Facebook, will remove for next one
- Bev (Staff Advisor)
 - Can utilize bulletin board more to advertise GSO events
- Dr. John Morgan (Faculty Advisor)
 - N/A