



Davidson School of  
Chemical Engineering



**Meeting Minutes – Chemical Engineering Graduate Student Organization (GSO)**

**Monday, September 25, 2023 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM**

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

**Attendees:**

Jiselle Thornby – President

Tyler Roberts

Angelique Klimek

Isaac Wheeler

Juan Alban

Kiruba Catherine Vincent

Sarah Gustafson

Esra Ulgey

Austin Choi

Zachary Beickman

Begum Yuksel

Bev Johnson – Staff Advisor

Dr. John Morgan – Faculty Advisor

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**More Symposium Reflections**

- Cost Breakdown
  - Spent: \$12,306.26
  - Earned: \$5,750.00 (\$6,050 total - \$300 conference fee)
- Food and alcohol were the largest expense
  - Bar went from beer/wine only to all drinks
  - A number of people visited the bar more than a few times
- Need more industrial reps to balance the cost (had a notably low number of reps this year)
  - Send out invitations earlier! In May ideally
  - Implement a ticket system for drinks
- Designate next year's Symposium Keynote Speaker

- [Kimberly Underhill](#) – B.S. ChE (Purdue) '87, (previously) Kimberly Clark Global President
- Ask PIs for Keynote candidates

#### Officer Updates

- Angelique (VP/Treasurer)
  - Fill out the event sheet to get reimbursed!
    - Austin: Qual panel receipt, address, statement
    - Tyler: New address
- Tyler (Co-Curricular)
  - Influencing without Authority last Monday 9/18
    - 15 attendees
  - Planning Truth and Beauty and Future Faculty events for later this semester
- Austin (Communications)
  - Hosted qual panel last Thursday 9/21
    - ~15 second-years, 8 panelists
- Ted and Esra (First Year Reps)
  - Project spreadsheet sent out
    - Resolved the issue with the conflicting spreadsheet
- Sarah (Outreach)
  - First Murdock meeting had some small technical difficulties, but overall a positive experience
    - Next Murdock meeting is a week from today (10/2)
- Catherine (Safety)
  - Anonymous link: Why doesn't our department have a thesis masters program?
- Begum (Social Chair)
  - Future events: Halloween cookie decorating, corn maze (sometime after the quals)
- Mitchell (Sports)
  - Not present
- Zachary (Student Advocacy)

- ChE GSO has the December update, not presenting at next month's GSAC
- Marisa (Sustainability)
  - Out sick
- Isaac (PGSG Rep)
  - First PGSG Senate meeting was last week (9/20)
- Juan (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion)
  - DEI survey had relatively low participation (21 responses, ~14% of grad student body)
    - In general, US citizens and non-citizens responded similarly with regards to DEI experiences in the department, but the gap between female and male respondents was more pronounced with women reporting less positive impressions
- Jiselle (President)
  - No updates
- Bev (Staff Advisor)
  - Recruiting events coming up, GSO reps welcome to attend the booth at AIChE conference in November
- Dr. Morgan (Faculty Advisor)
  - No updates