# Engineering Alumni Association (EAA) Board Meeting – 15 Nov 2023

Attendees: David Merrill, Craig Pessetto, Kristian Blomquist, Cameron Kergaye, Matt Kitterer, Brett Matsumura, Larry Milner, Russell Merrill, Lance Hobbs, Jacob Abrahams, Mario Costanzo, Tony Niven, Taylor Thorpe, David Bean, Chad Hogan, Dave Weinstein, Jeff Brown, Hoss Forrest Travis Colledge and Scott Pessetto

# **Discussion/Action Items**

- Reviewed and approved meeting minutes from 23 Aug 2023 board meeting.
- Thanks to Kristi and Matt for preparing name tents and providing dinner!
- Kristian Blomquist confirmed as the new EAA Vice President. Congratulations.
- Confirmed the following board members and their committee assignments:
  - Academic Taylor Thorpe & Tony Niven
  - Networking David Bean
  - Education Chad Hogan
  - Scholarship Dave Weinstein
- Committee growth: currently 21 members with space for three more (24 total).
  - Added three Computer Science members after six years with zero!
  - Currently only two female board members. Desire to increase to 4-5 in 2024.
- Out of State board members how can we utilize them?
  - Abby Campbell BS ME from Utah & MS Advanced Manufacturing and Design from MIT currently works in Boston. Abby is willing to help with resume reviews, mentoring and video presentations.
- Engineering Ambassador Banquet 13 Mar 2024 at 6 pm Need 5-6 volunteers. Travis Colledge and Hoss Forrest have volunteered we need 3-4 more.
- USPE May 2024 Conference: EAA Volunteers
  - Event Liaisons: Hoss Forrest and Taylor Thorpe
  - Potential Speakers: Cameron Kergaye UDOT, Chad Hogan HAFB, Larry Milner
    - EWOB and Mario Costanzo Sustainability/Resources (Water/Power, etc.)

#### Education Committee – Discover Engineering Dates

December 2023Tue & Wed; Dec. 5-6Hunter High: 4200 S 5600 W, West ValleyThu; Dec. 14SL Center for Science Education: 1400 W Goodwin Ave, SLC
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January 2024
Wed & Thu; Jan 10-11 Advanced Learning Center: 161 E 400 N, Salem
Tue; Jan. 16 Utah County Academy of Sciences: 2121 N 550 W, Provo
Tue & Wed; Jan 23-24 Bountiful High: 695 Orchard Drive, Bountiful
Mon; Jan 29 Rowland Hall: 720 Guardsman Way, SLC
February 2024
Tue & Wed; Feb 20-21 Murray High: 5440 S State Street; Murray
March 2024
Wed & Thu; March 6-7 Bingham High: 2160 South Jordan Pkwy, South Jordan
Wed; March 27 Green Canyon High: 2960 Wolf Pack Way North; N Logan
April 2024
Tue; April 9 North Sevier High: 350 West 400 North, Salina
Tue; April 23 Uintah River: 988 E 7500 S, Fort Duchesne

The presentations typically run from 7:30am to 2:30pm. Please stay as long as your schedule allow (1-2 hr is great). Please contact Morgan Boyack or Larry Milner to sign up or for further details at morgan.boyack@utah.edu.

### Scholarship Committee

- Advertised the EAA scholarship several times at the Fall 2023 Boot camps events.
- Considering a third scholarship of \$ 2,500/student.
- Please use the link below for donations to the EAA Engineering Board Scholarship. <u>https://ugive.app.utah.edu/designation/21?specialInstructions=EAA%20Scholarship%20</u> <u>Fund:%20EN14931-40165</u>

### **Networking Committee**

- Four EAA board members participated in the U Alumni Scholarship 5k Fun Run. Matt ordered and provided NURD T-shirts to runners and all EAA board members. Thanks!
- Exploring potential board meeting venues: Air flight Museum, Utah Stadium, Eccles Theater, etc. Action: Jessica by 15 May 2024
- Forever Utah Alumni Network (FUN): EAA member support requested for mentoring. Feedback from students has identified greater need than current support.

# Academic Committee:

- The Fall boot camp was held Sep 18 & 19 with over 160 students attending. The student feedback was very positive with a few suggestions for improvement.
- The 2024 Spring Boot Camp is planned for Monday, January 29, 2024 from 5:30 -7:30 in the Warnock Building with networking and pizza from 7:30 8 pm.
- Spring Boot Camp Format Three 40-minute presentations: 1) The 2023 Standard for Great Resumes 2) Practical Networking How to make connections and find jobs 3) Career Launchpad: Navigating the job market.
- Students can send their resumes for review. Action: Jeff Brown Feb 2024
- Prepare flyer for distribution to departments. Action: Matt by 15 Jan 2024
- Great work to Jeff and his committee for getting the planning started early!

Next General Board Meetings: 28 Feb 2024, 15 May 2024, 28 Aug 2024. Thanks for your participation! Please let me know if you have corrections or additions to these minutes.

Regards,

Scott

Attending 11/15	Board Member
Υ	Scott Pessetto
Ν	Jessica Smith
Y	Russell Merrill
Y	Hoss Forrest
Y	Lance Hobbs
Y	Jeff Brown
Y	David Merrill
Y	Cameron Kergaye
Y	Craig Pessetto
Y	Kristian Blomquist
Y	Larry Milner
Ν	Clint Brown
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