

# ENGINEERING GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL

# COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

### **EXECUTIVE BOARD 2019**

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## AGENDA 02-08-2019

### **AROUND THE CAMPUS**

- Nominations for EGSC representative to IGB (Interschool Governing Board) and SHAC (Student Health Advisory Committee). (Details in next page)
- Inputs for Diversity and Inclusion Taskforce from Felipe Calderon (DR for IEOR)
- Bargaining Committee Election results

### BUSINESS

Chair Updates

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- Graduate Organization of Biomedical Engineers (GoBME) Budget proposal voting
- EGSC: Department Representative (DR) elections

### UPCOMING

- EGSC PhD Social at Arts & Crafts 6-8 PM tonight!
- Leadership Coaching for EGSC Exec Board Feb 15
- EGSC sweatshirts pickup for board members today Contact Sowmya Garg (Communications Chair)

#### EGSC Minutes of the Meeting (02/08/2019)

### I. <u>Diversity and Inclusion taskforce (By Felipe Calderon):</u>

- Presented a poster campaign that the Taskforce in diversity, inclusion and belonging will deploy later this year
- They needed inputs from students across different schools
- Felipe showed the EGSC members several examples of visuals that they were considering
- The DRs expressed their opinions on a few posters

### II. Interschool Governing Board (IGB) and Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC):

- Nominations are available
- Duties of both the positions were explained
- IGB delegate duties explained by Arvind Srinivasan
- You can run for the IGB executive board as well
- 2 IGB delegate spots are open
- EGSC members Ludwig Zhao and Naif are interested. They both gave a speech.

### III. Graduate organization of Biomedical Engineers (GoBME) Budget Proposal Voting:

- The president explained the budget proposal with a presentation.
- Words by the EGSC Treasurer (Ashritha Eadara) on the funding.
- The proposal was passed by the EGSC members through unanimous voting.

#### IV. Chair Updates:

- Social Chair (Mark Barbet):
  - Non-Alcoholic event Harry Potter Trivia night coming up soon
  - Gaming event planned
  - Carleton Socials Only 2 to be help this Spring.
    - 1<sup>st</sup> one on Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> one in Early April.
    - No Carleton social in March, this money could be used for the boat cruise and end semester social.
  - $\circ~$  There will be a mid-semester social at a roof top restaurant (TBD) on March 29^{th}
  - $\circ~$  Boat Cruise to be towards the end of April (Maybe April 26th)
  - o There will be an interschool social for the PhD students
- Interschool Chair (Liliana Calix)
  - $\circ$  Social at the end of this month with two other schools SIPA and GSAS
  - Working with the business school on a hackathon. The main goal is collaboration of engineering and business.

- $\circ$   $\,$  Working with Teacher's college for a sem outreach event later in the semester.
- Treasurer and SLAC member (Ashritha Eadara)
  - o Renovation to the Watson library in the talks
  - Idea to have diversified collection of art pieces, both indoor and outdoor.
    - Idea: More indoor paintings in front of the reading room.
      - 1<sup>st</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Chinese to get his PhD
      - 2<sup>nd</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Woman to get her PhD
      - Outdoor: Relocation of the current ones
  - o Wellness events next week
  - Valentine's night in Butler (14<sup>th</sup> Feb)
  - $\circ~$  CU 14<sup>th</sup> energy symposium, we were one of the co-sponsors
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Hosts were SIPA, SEAS, Law school, business school  $\;$
  - Career fair for two days (Yesterday and Today)
  - o Proffessional development scholars to happen in March
- Communications Chair (Sowmya Garg)
  - o New website is almost done. Should be releasing it by next week
  - The new EGSC sweatshirts are here, you can grab them today!
  - $\circ~$  DR committee shuffling to be done after the new DR elections
- Senator (Michael Sutton)
  - Meeting with director of ISSO on hold
  - There was a meningitis outbreak among 2 SIPA students
  - Resolution has been passed by CU to fund pads for women on an annual basis
  - Romantic relationship policy for the undergrads is in works, it's being written and will be implemented later in the year.
- V. Miscellaneous:
- Headshot session on Monday, 1-4pm, volunteers needed
- PhD research symposium at Carleton on March 29<sup>th</sup>
- EGSC executive board leadership coaching shifted to February 15<sup>th</sup>, Student group presidents need to attend too.