Engineering and Applied Science Tribunal

General Meeting Minutes

3-7-2016

The meeting was called to order by Carlo Perottino at 5:30 pm, in 405 Old Chem. Frazier Baker recorded the meeting minutes.

New Business

Nominations:
Max Inniger – Pres
Emily D. – Senator
John - Pres
Tim K – Senator
Lillian – Senator
Khaled – Senator
Himadrin – Senator
Scott B – Pres
Varun – Senator

Nominations will be open via Email to Carlo Perottino thru March 21st
Validity of nominations subject to audit.

Fossil Free UC – Guest Speakers

2 Degrees Celsius

4.5 Degrees Fahrenheit
Delta in temperature that would make things go bad
Most of the warming has happened over the last 40 years
We would need to cap our emissions at 565 Gigatons of CO2
2,795 Gigatons of CO2 currently being burned around the world
5x the limit
Shoreline recession, flooding, severe weather patterns, drought
Economic instability due to reliance on fossil fuels
Fossil Fuel Industry has known about problems of Fossil Fuel Emissions for 40 years
Funded climate change deceit
Block renewable energy initiatives
Climate change is urgent, we need to do something 20 years ago, but now is the best we’re working with
Fossil Free UC wants UC to immediately freeze new investments in the top 200 publicly fossil fuel companies and commit to divesting endowment funds for those companies within the next five years.
$1.15 Billion Endowment UC
$4.1 million in Fossil Fuel Industry
Oil and Gas investments have fallen by 2.9 million
Divestment has been used to create pressure in other situations, i.e. apartheid in South Africa
Boycotting, Divestment, and Sanctioning – 3 methods of holding Fossil Fuel Companies accountable
Don’t want to bankrupt companies, just get them to reciprocate
What is the financial impact of divestment on students?
Endowment is separated from tuition
$1.2 million short-term, one-time loss
Perhaps increased managerial costs to manage
Endowment is from private donors, oftentimes alumni
FossilFreeUC is also trying to educate people on climate change and sustainability
FossilFreeUC is not duplicating the efforts of the sustainability commission,
FossilFreeUC focuses mainly on the political and financial aspects
Co-op opportunities
Marathon did pull entirely from Dayton, overall, Dayton’s co-op placement did not go down overall, people were placed in other companies.
Co-op companies make the choice whether or not to continue to hire or keep co-ops
Scholarship Funds
Marathon donates money to a diversity in engineering scholarship
If they used it to retaliate, we could rally financial support from other places
Plans of Action if Divestment goes through
Educating students is definitely good thing
Students are constituents in this university, an investment in us is a reflection of us
Comparison of Fossil Fuels to Slavery
Similar issue in the energy sector prior to abolition
Before Divesting in something that we think is immoral, there should be public discourse, there should be discussion,
Have you considered partial divestment? Can we show our lack of support in a less drastic manner.
Fossil Fuels (when combined transportation, heating/cooling, industrial fossil fuel pollution) produce about 60% of the pollution contributing to global climate change, agriculture produces about 18%.
What is profit outlook after divestment?
Dayton is doing fine post-divestment
University is trying to initiate sustainability in routes that are feasible
Socially Responsible Investment Forum

Officer Reports

President – Carlo Perottino:
Attendance: Present
Carlo will be out of town Tuesday-Thursday
Call or email if you need help
Next week – special extra meeting
Vice President – Dane Sowers:
   Attendance: Present

Associate VP – McKenzie Kinzbach:
   Attendance: Present

Treasurer – Max Inniger:
   Attendance: Present

Secretary – Frazier Baker:
   Attendance: Present

Senators – Tim Kemper & John Lewnard:
   Attendance: Present
   • Senate Introduced Enactment bill to decrease honoraria by $34,000; president, vice-
     president, etc.
   o To go towards SG spending
   • Appropriation Bill – Denied funding request from EWB-UC
   • Resolution Bills
   o Grade forgiveness would allow students who switch majors with D’s or F’s
     that do not pertain to new major
   o Mid Semester Review – Requests professors to update grades on blackboard
     once before withdrawal date
   • Presidential Election Winners: Mitchell Phelps & Brooke Duncan
   • UFB Situation
   o UFB has ran out of money
   o Student groups can no longer receive funding
   o Tribunal is looking into options to fund Engineering student groups in this
     emergency situation
   o UFB just elected a new exec board
     ▪ Ask if you want to see email.
   • Check emails about food
   o There is a survey if you don’t want food

John thanks everybody who has been filling out surveys

Committee Reports

FELD – Paige Johnson:
   Attendance: Present
   Dodgeball event with exec coming up
**Special Events – Emma Lowe:**  
Attendance: Absent  
- Cyclones Game  
  Dollar beer night  
- Relay for Life  
  Signups available for Tribunal Team  
- Selling Pancakes  
- Community Service  
  VA Hospital  
  Spending time with veterans  
- Habitat for Humanity RESTORE  
- Email for more info  

**Recognition – Rugved Mavidpalli:**  
Attendance: Present  
Nominations are open for Students of the Year for different years (sophomore, junior, freshman, etc)  

**SOCC – Heath Palmer:**  
Attendance: Absent  
- Week of the 14th is next meeting  
  Transition from old CampusLink to new CampusLink  

**Collegiate affairs – Khaled Aboumerhi:**  
Attendance: Present  

**Innovation – Emily Demjanenko:**  
Attendance: Present  
- Exploratory Week  
  No limit on spots you can sign up for  
- Audit Course Surveys  
- PO submitted for 3D printer  
- Microwaves in Engineering Buildings  
- Stress Relief for Finals Week  
- CEAS Alumni Night  
  Come to the committee meeting if you have questions or suggestions  
- Offcampus Housing Protal  
  Has potential for people who need subleases  
  Offcampus housing portal [http://offcampushousing.uc.edu/](http://offcampushousing.uc.edu/)  

**Order of the Engineer – Sean Gleason:**  
Attendance: Present  
Take an oath & pay $10 to get a ring, certificate, and post-ceremony reception  
For graduating seniors from CEAS, specific majors
OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS
NEXT MONDAY – SPECIAL MEETING, SAME TIME, SAME FOOD, SAME PLACE

The next meeting will be held on March 14th, 2016 3.14.16 at 5:30pm in 525 OldChem.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm by Carlo Perottino.