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TO: All CEE Honor Society Members
CC: Dr. Christopher Monsere, Research Assistant Professor; Dr. Scott Wells, Dept. Chair
DATE: Monday, November 12, 2006 (EB 310)

SUBJECT: CEE HONOR SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 11/8/06, 4:00-4:30 PM
TOPIC: ACTIVITIES

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: Jennifer Segal, Melanie Smith, Michael Reynolds, Jay Johnson

1) The meeting was called to order by the President, Jennifer Segal.

2) The website for the honor society has been completed and is up and running. Adam Larsen volunteered to produce and engineer the website. A very big thank you to Mr. Larsen for all his hard work, it is very much appreciated.

3) The end of the fall term is almost complete and the review of the possible new members was discussed. The idea of some form of service activity for future members was an idea. The service would be minimal as to not conflict with the already tight time constraints of the junior year academic load. Habitat for Humanity and peer tutoring were discussed as potential services.

4) The idea of potential activities for the Honor Society, as a group, to participate was also discussed. A step out of the academic world and into the real world to see what the future holds. Michael Reynolds came armed with several ideas for possible tours of facilities:
   a) Downtown Mains Project
   b) Water Control Center
   c) Pump house, well field of the Columbia River
   d) Groundwater pumping and treatment facility
   e) Bull Run
   f) Asphalt/Concrete Plant

5) The graduation of engineering students and placement in the job field with lack of skills or knowledge of what is required from an employer is a concern. The possibility of guest speakers or tutors to help make the transition from school to the work place was suggested. The variety of potential speakers ranged from drafting help to the development of communication between engineers and contractors.

6) With safety being a very large part of today’s work environment and the effort of companies to keep a safe job site, the knowledge gained before being placed in the work place needs to be enhanced. Having a representative from OSHA to give a talk on how to keep workers and jobs safe and the potential hazards that can come about from everyday work is a possibility.

7) The ASCE held tutoring sessions for freshman and sophomore classes. The honor society was also involved in providing tutors to help. It is a continuing idea to provide tutoring for midterms and finals with a possible weekly session coming about depending on the turnout.
8) At the conclusion of the meeting it was determined to focus on the mini tours and investigate further, the activities that might be asked for initiation. The next meeting will be in January to discuss the future members. Activities will be found and information provided in between now and January to continue the growth of the Honor Society.

Respectfully Submitted

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Secretary for PSU CEE Honor Society