

ESTC Minutes

Engineering Student Technology Committee

March 9, 2023

1-2pm Atmospheric Science West Conf Room & Teams

Present:

ATS: Nick Falk, Eric Goldenstern

CBE: Parsa Ghadermazi

CEE: Julie Robinson, Jiate Li, Prof. Jordan Jarrett

ECE:

ME: Ross Leopold (Chair), Jaren Fleischman, Miguel Valles Castro

SE: Prof. Daniel Herber

SMBE:

Ex-Officio: Kelley Branson (ETS)

Guests: Laura Marker (ETS), Travis Rogers (ETS), Nick Stratton (ETS)

Absent:

ATS: Prof. Steve Miller

CBE: Prof. Chris Snow

CEE: Branch DeMersseman

ECE: Luke Shuttleworth, Amin Mahdian, Aaron Davis, Prof. Mahdi Nikdast

ME: Prof. Kirk McGilvray

SE: Fletcher Ouren

SMBE: Jaiden Oropallo

Ex-Officio: Prof. Karan Venayagamoorthy (Academic Affs)

Old Business & Welcome

Welcome and Minutes

- Ross welcomed everyone. Nick made lemon biscotti for everyone. A sign-in sheet was passed around.
- The minutes from the March 7, 2023 meeting were approved. These and other ESTC documents are available to ESTC members at the following: T: \Committees\ESTC
If you are unable to get into this drive space, let Kelley know.
- Unfilled positions remain the same from the previous meeting

Old Business & Announcements

none

New Business / FY24 Budget Work

- Department Allocations, Software, I2P Lab

A healthy discussion on how to irradicate the \$27,000+ budget deficit was had. Department Allocations were played with -- decreasing them both by baseline amount (currently at \$2500 from \$3000) and total department allocation (currently at \$56,000 from \$70,000). The current settings on the spreadsheet reflect more fairly the decreased funding burden across departments.

The I2P Lab was discussed. Some felt that not many Engineering students benefit from the 3D printing lab while others defended it noting that many students work their and rely on wages and there have been notable student projects completed because of the lab. Kelley and Jaren will talk to Steve Johnson, who oversees the Lab and is also Mechanical's Lab Manager, to get more information from him and see if he can attend the next meeting.

Software was also discussed but this sheet represents "real life". We can't just cut Matlab, for instance. Laura then had the brillian idea of seeing if ETS could cover the student's portion of the ticketing software, Freshservice, for FY24. Travis concluded that they could and this would save about what we needed to.

Time ran out to finalize these remaining budget items and there is still some concern by some that the ESTC is providing the I2P Lab with more funding than is justified by Engineering use so discussion and approvals were tabled until the next meeting.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, March 23, 1-2pm. Scott 205 and Teams

Note the meeting scheduled for March 23rd has been moved to April 6th

Meeting adjourned at 2:04pm

Respectfully submitted by Kelley Branson