

Engineer's Council Board meeting
February 24, 2026

In person: Stephen Guine (President), Jackie Zev (Secretary), Marek Barylak (Treasurer), Ken Davis, Sonja Domazet, Michael Yao, Chyrl Yeats, Connor Davainis

Online: Noelle Saccoccio (Vice President), Tom Tarn, Rob Vermeland, Melody Wachtel, Paul Dylan, Pierce Trinephi, Paige Dailey

Meeting started 7:16 pm

Action items from the April 2024 Board meeting

Sonja to follow up with Florida WRT charitable giving– deferred to April 2026

Action items from the April 2025 Board meeting

Stephen to start a scholarship awardee CRM database – deferred to April 2026

Action items from the May 2025 Board meeting

Ken to send Stephen the history of the STEM educator award– deferred to April 2026

Sonja to tell Chris that he should submit a letter from a society of which he is a member– deferred to April 2026

Action items from the August 2025 Board meeting

Noelle to propose a bylaws change to say that we should analyze our finances every year – deferred to after banquet

Stephen to make it possible for people to pay for and upload an ad using a website – deferred to 2026

Action items from the September meeting

~~Michael to contact vendors about buying ads in the program book~~

Action items from the October meeting

Marek to connect Paypal to the Bank account – – deferred to April 2026

Marek to transfer funds from Paypal to Bank account – deferred to April 2026

Noelle to create Bylaws wording authorizing Student representatives – deferred to after banquet

Marek to generate a prediction on banquet cost given a number of variables– deferred to April 2026

Action items from the November meeting

~~Michael to send the Blevins the award with his name misspelled – will happen Friday~~

~~Sonja to deliver the two NG awards~~

Stephen to draft a letter explaining that in addition to the check, EC scholarships represent an opportunity – deferred to April 2026

Stephen to add ability to sign up for ads to the webpage – deferred to April 2026

Stephen to add tiers of sponsorships to the webpage – deferred to April 2026

Action items from the December meeting

~~Sonia to give Florida info on where to buy the seals themselves~~

~~Stephen to redo the calendar notice~~

~~Michael and Sonja to split the list of companies without Council reps and contact them~~

Action items from the January meeting

Stephen to recontact charities after banquet – deferred to April 2026

~~Connor to send student emails to Jackie~~

~~Jackie to create a Student Rep group and send meeting notices to both Student Rep and Tec~~

~~Sonja to contact the High School about their nomination~~

~~Jackie to review and rewrite citations~~

Minutes – accepted as written

Treasurer's report – accepted as written

Student Reps –

Been doing professional development – resume workshop

They will send their resumes after the banquet

Students will be seated with NG and Aerospace, who paid for their tickets

Stephen advised the students to have online resumes and bring a QR code to the banquet

Banquet

Programs are done; Ken will pick them up

Recchia is done; Sonja has it

Sonja to give Stephen a photo of the Recchia

AV is signed – gave us another discount. Now at \$10,600

AV will show up at 5pm

Melody is working on the presentation

There is an event before us

Payment – Sheraton sent a bill; but they need to correct it. It is over \$40K

Stephen to generate a cashier's check for the Sheraton and deliver it.

All but one of Tom's seats are accounted for

We are at 410 seats – if we sell tickets, we would have to add a table

Went through program, clarifying name pronunciation and who is introducing whom

Discussed parking

Talked about the after party – Stephen will have cards with QR codes we can use to invite people

Sonja will email volunteers tomorrow

Meal tickets

Sheraton has been late in printing the tickets in the past

There are ten special meals – Chryl will print tickets for the four she knows about

Melody will coordinate banner setup and take down.

Charitable Giving

Correspondence –

Image360 send a holiday card

Digital (Website, Facebook, email, etc.)

Stephen working on modernizing our brand
Can get Google Workspace for free

Good and Welfare

Marek's son (Martin Barylak) became a chief resident at Spaulding Harvard in Boston

Old Business:

New Business:

Bylaws

Discussion on the need to revise our bylaws regarding student members that graduate

Action: Noelle to propose bylaws change vis-à-vis student members that graduate

Fiscal year is January to December

Operating year is September to August

We vote Board member changes in May because we tend to be dark over the summer

Meeting adjourned at 9:22 pm

Next Board meeting: March 10, 2026