

ESSSO General Meeting

Date: 21 October 2013

Location: Geology 3680

Meeting Start Time: 13:06

Jennifer Scully called the meeting to order.

1. Introductions

The new board members and appointees were introduced. A list of these positions follows at the end of these meeting notes.

2. Undergraduate Career Panel

The panel will be held on 8 November 2013 at 3:30pm. An email with details will be sent out. This panel will be composed of people working in industry and graduate students to talk about options after graduation. One person working in industry has already confirmed their availability, but at least one graduate student is needed. The panel will be open to all, but will be geared towards undergraduates.

Action: Send out an email soliciting graduate student volunteers.

3. Graduate Student First Exam Panel

The panel will be held sometime in November, but is not formally scheduled yet. This is geared towards graduate students preparing to take their first exam during the Winter quarter 2014. Panel will be composed of a graduate student from each field of study (geology, geochemistry, geophysics) who has already passed their exam.

Action: Send out an email soliciting volunteers from each of the fields.

4. Department T-Shirts

The department will be ordering new t-shirts soon. The order form will be available at the department's fall barbecue with several size and design options available. 5 designs have been selected: 1 is the winner of the t-shirt design contest, 1 is a SPINLab-specific design, and 3 are throwback designs. They will have the department's new name (EPSS). Old t-shirts will likely be sold at a discount, however there are limited sizes left.

5. Explore Your Universe

To be held Sunday 17 November 2013. Members of the public are welcome. Volunteers needed either for during the event or for setup and take down of the exhibits.

6. First ESSSO Movie Night of the 2013-2014 Academic Year

Will be held today (21 October 2013) at 5:15pm in Geology 3814 where *Sharknado* will be playing. Snacks and beverages will be available. Movie nights are held about once a month.

7. ESSSO Facebook Page

The board expressed a desire to increase the frequency of Facebook updates. The secretary will be updating the Facebook page with the information sent out in emails.

Action: The secretary needs to be given access to the Facebook page.

8. ESS Department Fall Barbecue

Barbecue will be held on 1 November 2013 at 5:00pm in the courtyard between the Geology building and Franz Hall.

Need volunteers for various duties:

- Selling tickets beforehand
- Cooking
- Setup
- Clean up afterwards
- Selling merchandise during the event
- Selling tickets and passing out armbands during the event

Expect to spend an hour helping to set up, maybe a little longer to help with cooking. Barbecue will have several events including a costume contest, pumpkin carving contest, and a gourd tossing contest. Food and beverages will be provided.

Admission Price is not yet set, but in the past has been:

Undergraduate students	\$8
Graduate students	\$10
Staff and guests	\$12

Action: Recruit volunteers.

9. Wilderness Survival Course

Held on 19 October 2013. Subsidized by ESSSO. Attendees learned how to make shelter and fire. They also learned making fire is not easy, so it's a good idea to carry a lighter. Previously a CPR class was held. Want to try to have similar things throughout the year.

10. Suggestions

If anyone has suggestions for panels/activities to please contact one of the board members. General comments or suggestions about the department should be sent to Brenda Pack, but the other board members are also willing to forward the comments on.

11. Poster Making Panel

Mojhgan H. would like to see a panel on how to make a poster prior to this year's AGU meeting. The board may send out email requesting a volunteer, but stated the schedule is pretty full and this might not happen until after AGU.

12. Undergraduate Scheduling

Andy Perrine is requesting comments about the schedule that was emailed to the undergrads by Lauri Holbrook.

13. New Meeting Time

Meetings will now be held at 1:00pm Monday. Meetings are held approximately once a month.

Meeting End Time: 13:23

Meeting minutes submitted by:

Sarah Nymeyer

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List of Elected Positions:

Co-Presidents:	Michelle Jordan, Jennifer Scully
Vice President of Student Affairs:	Brenda Pack
Vice President of Fundraising:	Jason Utas
Vice President of Event Planning:	Elizabeth Palmer
Undergraduate Representative:	Amanda Garcia

List of Appointed Positions:

Secretary:	Sarah Nymeyer
Treasurer:	Paul McBurnett
Webmaster:	Gabriel Cuevas
MPSC Representative:	Mojhgan Haghnegahdar
Graduate Curriculum Committee:	Jeanine Ash
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee:	Andy Perrine
Faculty Meeting ESSSO Representative:	Carolyn Crow