

Subject: Committee/Officer Report Submission

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Executive Committee Meeting Date

June

Name of Committee or Office

Student Activities Committee

Activities/Decisions Since Last Executive Meeting

Student Design Competition was held at Northeastern University. There were several teams who expressed initial interest, but ultimately only one that participated. The team from Northeastern University was recommended to proceed to the national competition at WEFTEC in September.

Action Plan Committee/Officer Assignments

Planning to have a call/discussion this summer to address three main items:

- 1) Student participation at the Annual Conference. Should we resurrect a Student Presentation Session? How do we keep a high-quality Student Poster Session, while maintaining open participation?
- 2) Student participation in the Student Design Competition. The past several years have had multiple teams express interest in the competition, only to back out at the last moment. We will need to figure out ways to increase participation from multiple different schools.
- 3) Committee succession plan. We currently do not have a vice-chair, and will be looking for someone to take over the Committee Chair position in the next 1-2 years.

Committee Member School Outreach Activities

Committee partnered with the YP committee on a Poo & Brew event where ~ 15 students from UMass Amherst and Smith College attended. We are planning a similar partnership for an event in October in conjunction with the NEWEA/NEBRA conference in Springfield.

General Comments

We are looking for consultants/communities/utilities/partners to sponsor projects for the 2019-2020 academic year. These projects could be used for senior capstone design projects and also for the Student Design Competition. Sponsorship includes providing 1) a problem statement, design information, and data, and/or, 2) providing financial support to send the team(s) to WEFTEC where they present at the national competition. In the last two years, our NEWEA teams have won 3rd place!!

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