ENGINEERING ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
Wednesday, September 11, 2013
Minutes

I. Welcome & Introductions
   Rich Nordlund welcomed members and thanked Josh Grant. He introduced new members – Dax Anderson and Shelly Faerber.

II. College/UU Report
   Rich Brown discussed recent events and points of interest. He announced that there will be an Engineering Initiative this year. College of Engineering is one of 14 U.S. universities selected by the National Academy of Engineering to launch a Grand Challenge Scholars Program, or GCSP, this fall. The program is designed to prepare undergraduate engineering students to be “world changers” by building a portfolio of activities to create a signature experience.

IV. Staff Update
   Josh Grant reported that the EAA scholarship is at a little more than $3800 and will be matched with $2000 through the college’s program funded by the $150,000 earmarked in the Engineering Initiative. About 14 members of the board have donated to the scholarship.

   He introduced Career Services’ new graduate student recruiter, Francine Mahak. She is interested in hosting a few events for grad students that incorporate the EAA members.

V. President’s Report
   Rich Nordlund presented the budget for 2013-14. He discussed the accomplishments of the last year, including what departments had received monies to help with alumni activities. He also provided a list of the three EAA committees and their members.

VI. Committee Chair Reports
   Networking/Social Outreach Committee – Whit Johnson
   The committee has determined they want to expose more engineers to the EAA by holding our board meetings at companies periodically instead of at the college. The first meeting away will be held at Rocky Mountain Power, hosted by Chris Spencer. Engineers at RMP will be invited to attend (TBD).

   Academic Outreach Committee – Rich Nordlund (for Brett Matsumura)
   Brett Matsumura assembled a panel of four EAA engineers to present at the career fair on September 19. Dianne Leonard requested participation in an ELEAP assignment that requires students to interview alums. She distributed a signup sheet.
   Graduate student recruitment and convocation activities will be addressed at next board meeting.

   Education Outreach Committee – Dave Booth
   The 2013-4 calendar discussed and the general consensus was to provide that for EAA members. Internal discussions noted that when the calendar was provided before, no alums visited the site. They continued to call instead.
   EAA members were asked to find out if their companies are doing any outreach to schools and to expand the number we visit.
   Lunch w/ Engineer – Morgan Boyack passed around a signup sheet

VII. Committee Breakout Sessions –
   Each of the three committees broke into groups to discuss their 2013-14 committee assignments.

VIII. Board Meeting Dates
   December 11, 2013
   March 12, 2014
   May 14, 2014

IX. Adjourn – 8pm