Minutes for UW-ITE-SC Executive meeting – June 6, 2012 – 3:00 to 4:30 pm

Attendees: Soroush Salek Moghadam, Reza Norouzi, , Ehsan Bagheri, Amir Zarinbal, Kyrilo Rewa, Usama Shahdad, Amir Ghods

June 26, 2012 is the deadline for the transportation talk

1. Social events

- a. June 22 at 4:00 pm is decided to hold a social event
- b. BBQ (Burgers and Hot-dogs) at waterloo park Usama and Soroush will help Akram on this and to borrow a BBQ from Mohab
- c. Last year the cost was about \$150~\$170 to hold a BBQ event
- d. \$3~\$5 cover charge for everyone (Soroush will estimate the exact charge)
- e. Ehsan will get a quote for kayaking or canoeing

2. Academic Events

- a. It is suggested to ask a prof to have a seminar
- b. Suggested to have one seminar for the spring term and ask one of the professors in advance to have a seminar during the fall term (preferably a prof. from other departments proceed through prof. Hellinga)
- c. Suggested to invite a guest speaker from industry sector for the Fall term (e.g. Hatch)
- d. Suggested to have 3~4 seminars per term except for the spring term

3. Website/Communication

- a. A short bio and photo for the new executive members of the chapter to be uploaded to the website (Due date for short bios on June 22^{nd} , 2012). Photos can be taken at the BBQ event.
- b. Scholarships, opportunities, upcoming events, and seminars can be announced on the website.
- c. Reza will work with Jonathan to come up with a new structure for the UW-ITE and TSRG websites. In the next meeting the new structure will be discussed.

4. Seasonal Newsletter

- a. Suggested to distribute the work load of the preparing the newsletter to the executive members.
- b. Amir Zarinbal is in charge of the academic event and will prepare a summary or a report in format ready to be published in the newsletter. Same for Akram for the social events.
- c. Ehsan will contact students, alumni and professor for the highlights.
- d. Jonathon will prepare the awards list and research activities.
- e. Soroush and Reza will put the whole material together.

5. Funding Issues

- a. Current budget is about \$2700 (\$1200+ \$1500 expected)
- b. Reza suggests indicating the balance of each of the accounts we have in details, and that can be presented within a specific form.
- c. Usama will get a balance of our accounts every month and will provide comments for each of the expenses to keep the track of them.
- d. Soroush suggests to send only one GSEF application. He will ask for a one week extension of the deadline and Usama will help him to prepare the GSEF application.
- e. Soroush suggests to have a financial plan (expected budget and expenses)