Fall Banquet 2008

- Meetings are changing time to start at 6:00 PM

New ideas:

Eric – Tax exempt status; way for alumni to stay connected

Ben – help out with quiz bowl for Kaplan;

- Kelly Stevens started the org in '01 kept track records that were great, he would like to find a way to move back towards better record keeping process; one way to start is to update the binder you have or start one of you don't have one.
- Bring back the nerd movement surgery shadow, department support, better contact base in industry **Alex** to get more people to come to events could have a box in weekly events to check what times work for them
 - Do a freshmen event earlier in the semester

Rob – Have the group get involved in volunteering at the hospital

- Gave blood in Union South and it asked what org he was in – maybe benefits? Groups pledge to have a donor/week

Mike – Volunteering at the hospital, con is its on individuals they need to take the initiative

- Maybe have a weekly volunteer event that is more focused on medicine; nursing home? Perhaps partner to world health
- Perhaps have another officer or committee to have someone focus on professional development
 - o If we make changes we need to incorporate them into constitution and by laws
- He is willing to help in web-site or pamphlet nice to be able to provide habitat as a free trip for paying members

Val – offer more incentives to distinguished members, event or opportunity, ex. free trip to habitat; or "distinguished member"; example whoever can bring your whole design team –

Emily - Keep doing advising thing consider the audience that came to the advising, keep them involved in BMES

- For sign up sheets have one color sheet be interest sign up and another color be for sure committed

Ryan – Doesn't feel like adding more and more events, younger member emailed him and said he would go over a paper with him, saw drastic improvement

- Be able to find ways to give back to the younger kids; ex. find research positions

Sam – In the spring have some advising before applying for BME

- Chem. honors project interviewed a bunch of faculty members; 'evening with the faculty'

Laura P. – Something to work together with the faculty – ice cream social; if we approach them about more influence;

- Dinner to get a bunch of companies to have a dinner, sit with representatives; Nina contacted Ben about ideas for GE; put us in front of leaders in the company – big bosses about newest technology;

Joe – Maybe start to keep records online; electronic storage of information; password protected; perhaps Google groups, can upload files and make private; CAE account shared space drive H:; Databases on the website

- For a good way to involve more people – ask people what their goals are within BMES; conscious involvement right away

Deb – Within design teams encourage members to come to stuff like counseling 200 level groups

- Perhaps take a trip to MCOW
- For EXPO you can win prizes for project; Try to get 402 credit for dressing up and presenting your project
- Ice cream social for kick off

Amy – Try and get us away from Gumby's next semester

- More people involved in fundraisers and they don't benefit in any way
- Perhaps do on campus seasonal one time events

Allie – Keeping people interested in the org, have a slide show going through while people are eating pizza showing in the background

- Put fliers up earlier

Andrew B. – Start planning events further out in advance one or two weeks/meetings before the event

Lindsey – Commitment issues hard to get people to come to things; making extra spots – provide guidelines for commitment

- Make mentoring idea more professional; buddy system, perhaps bring them to a design meeting
 - o Issue is setting it up

Andrew D. – We want to make a new webpage; start planning over winter break; would be a good way to get involved in BMES; good way to learn HTML; have a sub committee

- In the fall, we have low commitment cookouts and stuff; do that in the spring too, ex. snow football vs. other orgs

Fill in calendar with key dates:

Career fair orientation – Monday 2nd
Brewers game – Apr. 10th and 11th; would opening weekend work?
Casino night – Jan. 24th
Med school trip – Apr. 3rd weekend
Industry trip – Design concepts, 1st week in Feb?

Officer of semester: Mike Conrardy

Officer evals: Handed out officer evals.