



## CHAPTER MEETING NOTES

**Meeting Date:** Thursday, January 6, 2011  
**Meeting Time:** 6:30 p.m.  
**Meeting Place:** 162 Curtis Hall, Drexel University

### 1. Introductions

New Members' Introductions

### 2. News and Events

- University of Delaware was looking for a speaker
  - Bob has agreed to present on one of the EWB projects
  - If anyone else is interested, please join Bob
  - March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 at 5pm
- Toy Drive & Happy Hour (on December 16<sup>th</sup>)
  - Bad weather day with snow and slow traffic resulted in low turnout
  - People still donated after the event
  - All toys were donated to the Camden division of Toys for Tots
- ASCE South Jersey Branch invited EWB-MAP to dinner type meeting
  - Display of project posters
  - \$35 for professionals, \$15 for students
  - RSVP by January 24<sup>th</sup>
- EWB-USA National Conference
  - March 24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>
  - Details of agenda and registration found online
- Next Local Volunteer Project
  - Possibly March 12<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup>; will update soon.
- Training Workshop with Rutgers EWB
  - Through Village Earth (to train about sustainable development, education, links, etc.)
  - This will provide seminars on how to better establish relations with the community, beyond engineering
  - Associated costs are \$1300
  - Tentatively set for the end of February or beginning of March
  - Not just for project leads, but even for those interested in traveling abroad
  - EWB local chapters may pay overhead costs and make free for its members
- First Aid/CPR Certification
  - If done last year through EWB-MAP, then you must renew
  - Reminder: at least two people on each EWB trip must be CPR certified through the Red Cross
  - New certification from 2011 and on will be valid for two years
  - Need a minimum of 8 people to sign up for a private class
  - \$74 per person to renew for 6-hour course; \$85 per person for 8-hour course

- Includes defibrillator training, videos, and dummy practice
- Available dates are February 5, 12, and 19<sup>th</sup>
- Sign up with Amanda Jacobs

### 3. Project Summaries and Updates

- Las Delicias (El Salvador)
  - Met with two rotary clubs in El Salvador that will assist with the fundraising and project implementation
  - Identified possible locations for the water storage tank
  - Also met with president (Freddy) and secretary (Dora) of the Las Delicias community water association
- Rwanda
  - Team traveled and returned in mid-December
  - New project in Ruguero began and past projects were inspected
    - New project involves building kitchens on homes and pouring lids for latrines
    - Project will continue for the next 6 months in the team's absence
    - No plans made to return yet
- Apatut (Philippines)
  - Completed design, and submitted proposal to EWB-USA. Have already spoken with design review committee, and the group is working on clarifications for resubmission.
  - Travel plans have been pushed back due to fundraising and design
  - Hoping to send one team in the spring to begin implementation of the project
  - Rotaries are major contributors

### 4. Student Chapter Outreach

- Presentation from Rowen University next month
- Widener student chapter advisor reached out to give presentation; will attempt to arrange for March's general chapter meeting

### 5. Chapter Elections

- The following members were elected into position:
  - President → **Russ Turner**
  - Vice-President → **Renee Philip**
  - Treasurer → **Dave Haeussler**
  - Secretary → **Chantal Ince**
  - Student Outreach → **Samantha Sagget, Harry Wilson**
  - Project leads stay as is
  - Walt Walker and Bob DiFilippo will continue to serve as advisors

### \*\*\* Next Meeting

The next EWB-MAP Chapter meeting will convene on **Thursday, February 3, at 6:30 p.m.** Meeting place will be 162 Curtis Hall, Drexel University.