

STC - NCSU Student Chapter Minutes
October 5, 2000
Minutes by Loanna Overcash

Attendees:

Dr. Stan Dicks
Dr. Steve Katz
Anna Weaver
Sarah Egan
Laura H.?
Rebecca Bessinger
Loanna Overcash

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM beginning with a discussion on mediocrity. The big question - are we in favor of this term in defining the NC State STC Student Chapter? The answer, of course, was no! In order to avoid be categorized as a mediocre chapter, a preliminary game plan for achieving the Student Chapter of Merit Award was laid out based on the guidelines found in the Guidelines for Student Chapter Achievement. The full list of guidelines can be found at: <http://www.stc-va.org/fguide.htm>.

The list below covers some of the guidelines for the award and how the chapter plans to meet these goals.

- 1) Conduct a local member recognition program. Suggestions for a Faculty Award were discussed. Criteria for presenting a faculty member with an award could be based on the following:
 - Support of the Student Chapter
 - All around great professor
 - Support of students
 - Support of learning

The Nominating Committee will look into this and solicit further information and tracking criteria.

- 2) A minimum of 5 Substantive Programs should be sponsored per year by the student chapter. Four are already in development. We still need to find one more program.
 1. International Co-op information in the Spring
 2. ?
 3. ?
 4. ?

- 3) Publish four or more newsletter. One newsletter has been published, another is currently in the works. Two newsletters will be developed during the Spring Semester.
- 4) Several of our Chapter members have already been distinguished by the STC:
 - Anna Weaver won an Academic Scholarship
 - Sarah Egan won a scholarship to attend the conference in Orlando
 - Several students have gotten Teaching Assistant awards
- 5) We need a volunteer to attend an STC Chapter meeting and report back to the Student Chapter.
- 6) Provide a committee member for a multi-chapter, regional, or Society activity. Anna is checking with the Regional Director, Christopher Benz(?) on details for this requirement.
- 7) Submit an article about STC to local media. Brandy Byrd is currently working on an article.
- 8) Have and employ a transition plan for chapter officers and committee managers when new chapter leaders take office. All officers will be encouraged to begin tracking their roles so that we can compile a permanent record. This will help ensure continuity for the chapter.
- 9) Submit an entry in a technical publications competition, technical art competition, online communication competition, or college-level writing competition.

Anna Weaver and Sarah Egan are planning to co-author an article on how to revitalize a chapter, address the lack of continuity for student chapters when the old members leave and the new ones join, and the possibility of creating a network for student chapters. They would like to turn this into a presentation for a Regional meeting.

Any other member of the chapter who would like to pursue an article of this type is welcome to do so. Please contact Anna Weaver or Sarah Egan if you are interested.