

Physics Club Meeting Minutes

Date: September 25th 2008

Time: Start: 16:00 End: 17:00

Attendees: John Allison, Bill Baez, Dr. Poppeliers, Rebecca Sawyer, Dr. Hauger, Barry Williams, James Bartasis, Dr. Colbert, Dewand Jones, Ken Stephenson, Hitchcock G.W. II, Dr. Datta, Richard Feynman

Overview of Meeting: First meeting of the semester hashed out the details, goals and future focus of the Physics Club. Including, but not limited to: Professional Development, volunteerism and research

Items discussed:

- Ms. Sawyer gave an overview of the by-laws and Robert's Rules of Order and Professional Development
- Ms. Sawyer detailed the monthly meeting times for the Physics Club
- Mr. Baez talked about the Student Physical Society membership details
- Dr. Hauger gave students, those who wanted it, a sheet on GRE information
 - More specifically the physics subject test and preparing for general test
- Dr. Poppeliers talked about brown bag series of informal talks about undergrad research presented by undergrad students from all disciplines
- Mr. Baez opened the opportunity to club members to participate in volunteer opportunities
- Dr. Datta announced the minor changes to Nano-day which is to take place in Aiken on October 18th
- Mr. Baez presented a robot wars opportunity in Atlanta in conjunction with working with kids from AR Johnson High School
- Dr. Hauger announced a cookout that is to be held on Friday on the 26th
- Ms. Sawyer presented the details about incorporating research in club members activities
 - More specifically speaking about chalk talks at each meeting and how it would prepare students for grad school
 - Popp stated that goal of chalk talks are more progress reports on research than a final presentation
- Ms. Sawyer presented her chalk about her research with regards to the rolling resistance of a bicycle tire