**Florida Engineering Society**

**General Meeting**

**03/11/2014**

*Meeting called to order at 1:15PM.*

President opened up with an introduction for elections. Four candidates, Lucy Do for President, Daniel Barkley and Baian Elmazry for Vice President, and Lincoln Warner for Treasurer, each gave a 5-minute speech for their campaign.

A panel was formed consisting of all four candidates to open the floor for a Question and Answer period:

*Question: Will you be active in leadership positions in other student groups?*

***All: No.***

*Question: Do you have future plans in mind for FES?*

***Daniel: Before making future plans, would like to speak with current officers about what worked and what didn’t work in the past, then effectively plan for the future.***

***Lucy: Due to involvement experience, there are many ideas that could be brought to the table.***

*Question: What is your current math level?*

***Daniel: Calculus II***

***Lucy: Calculus I***

***Lincoln: Differential Equations***

***Baian: Calculus I***

*Question: Will you build connections with engineering societies at UCF?*

***Daniel: A matter to be discussed with the advisor, but definitely plausible if allowed.***

*Question (directed towards Daniel/Baian): Why are you running for vice presidency as opposed to presidency?*

***Baian: No prior leadership experience, so Vice Presidency would be a better stepping stone rather than jumping into presidency.***

***Daniel: Feels like he can give 100% into Vice Presidency currently as opposed to Presidency.***

*Question (directed towards Daniel/Baian): If not Vice President, would you be open to taking a different position?*

***Both: Yes.***

*Question: What was the best thing you have seen so far to happen in FES?*

***Lucy: Underground tours; very enriching opportunity offered to members.***

***Daniel: Science Showcase; great way to collaborate and work on hands-on projects, healthy competition.***

***Baian: Hands-on group projects and guest speakers***

***Lincoln: Guest speakers and Science Showcase***

*Question: What is your vision for developing engineering support to students?*

***Daniel: Formation of study groups and work with administration to get engineering tutors.***

***Lucy: Expand study groups to all campuses for commuter convenience.***

*Question: What are you goals with working with other engineering societies on campus?*

***Lucy: Collaboration is important; collaboration through community outreach.***

***Daniel: Create friendly competition through project events.***

***Lincoln: An idea for a friendly competition would be a derby.***

*Question: Will you guys work to petition faculty for a trophy for these competitions?*

***All: Yes.***

*Question: How will you sell the engineering major to the student body?*

***Lucy: Work with Valencia Volunteers, Student Development, and maybe organize and host a fair led by engineering groups.***

*Question: Will you be able to maintain your GPA’s while serving on the executive board?*

***Lucy: Due to experience with other organizations, time management has become a skill; very goal driven. Next semester, only focus will be class and FES.***

***Daniel: High school experience led to time management.***

*Question: Will you be able to help other member develop these useful skills as well?*

***Daniel: Yes.***

*Question: Do you all plan to promote STEM at Valencia?*

***All: Yes.***

*Question: International students are underrepresented, so how will you sell the major to those students?*

***Daniel: Post flyers/advertisements in orientations to peak interest.***

*Question: Do you plan to attend conferences?*

***Daniel: Familiar with the conference at the end of Spring.***

***All: Yes.***

*Question: To ensure productivity at conferences, how will responsible attendees be selected?*

***Lucy: Similar to PTK, the Point system can be utilized to select the active members. To get the attendees there, fundraising.***

***Lucy: Since there is a rule that attendees of conferences sponsored by Student Development must bring something back, have officers/attendees write about and share things learned.***

***Daniel: To make sure responsible members attend, a commitment form can be created.***

*Comments/advice/suggestion period for future officers.*

*Ballots distributed followed by voting period.*

*Votes counted by Secretary and one member.*

**Election Results:**

**President-Lucy Do**

**Vice President-Daniel Barkley**

**Secretary: Vacant**

**Treasurer: Lincoln Warner**

Election results announcement followed by piano building project.