2014 EE Grad Town Hall

Status of Action Items from 2013
Issue:
There is a lack of diversity in ethnicity and gender among the student population.

Status:
• 13 new underrepresented students, up from 3 in Fall 2013. The majority of these new students are in EE.

• There were 44 women admitted and 22 enrolled, compared to 49 admitted and 17 enrolled in Fall 2013.
Issue:
There is a lack of diversity in ethnicity and gender among the EECS faculty.

Status:
• Results of faculty recruiting in 2013-14:
  – Raluca Popa was successfully recruited!
  – Peter Delfyett declined
• “Rising Stars” conference will be held at UC Berkeley on November 3 and 4.
Issue:
Facilities in Cory Hall

Status:
• Elevators will be upgraded by Summer 2015.
• Second floor mezzanine was made card key protected to prevent thefts.
• Faculty declined opportunity upgrade furniture and space in 307 Cory
  – Improvements made to Grad Lounge
  – Naming opportunity for new research center?
Issue:
Students would like more opportunities to interact with faculty.

Status:
• New Student Orientation includes two faculty speakers each week.
• TGIF series of talks continues this fall
• Cory Café in Spring 2015
Issue:
GSI Issues

• Appointments are being sent out too late.

Status:

• GSI Application can only open after the schedule of classes is released.
• 80% of offers are made at least two weeks prior to the start of classes.
• Median of fall 2014 offers was made on July 28, compared to 2013 when the median of offers was made August 13
Issue:
GSI Issues
• Students are not receiving the GSI supplement.

Status:
• Students needs to contact their Research Support Officer (RSO) to initiate the payment.
• Campus systems are not set up to automatically generate the payment.