

# Moraine Valley Community College Robotics Club

## Club Meeting - Second Meeting

November 8, 2007

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

**Present:** 8 student members and Larry Langellier - Faculty Advisor

I.) This Second Meeting called to order by President T. Thomas

- Agendas passed out to those in attendance

II.) Old Business

A.) MVCC ROBOTIC CLUB wiki and Yahoo group

- All members should sign-up for access to the Club's
  - Wiki at "[mvccrobotics.wikidot.com](http://mvccrobotics.wikidot.com)";
  - Yahoo Group at "[groups.yahoo.com](http://groups.yahoo.com)" (MVCCRobotics)
    - Invitations were sent to all Club Members, via their e-mail accounts, in order to access this group
    - Those invitations have a time limit on them, so sign-up NOW!

B.) Robo O-Games is December 1, 2007

- Member J. Lanigan, who is serving as the Competition Coordinator, discussed the event
- O-Game Rules are published on the wiki and a comment period is open until Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Member J. Lanigan summarized the available games and some of the associated rules
- Faculty Advisor Langellier discussed the availability of Lego RCX units and Open Robot Labs dates and times.
- Competitors were identified for the two competitions. In Robo Sumo Wrestling, 5 Club Members signed -up. For the Quadrathlon, 8 Club Members signed-up. Several Club Members will be competing in both events.
- Faculty Advisor Langellier will work with MVCC Public Affairs Department to get notices out to the local newspapers and television stations.

C.) Club Officers

- As a result of conflicts in the Club's ICC Representative's schedule, we need to have someone attend these meetings.
  - They are every other Tuesday from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM in C Building.
  - Anyone interested should contact one of the Club's Officers or our Faculty Advisor

D.) Battlebots

- Discussion ensued regarding the Club's participation in an upcoming Battlebots competition
  - Possible earliest date for participation is April 2008 to May 2008
- Limited research had been done by the Club Members regarding this activity
- A Motion was made to hold a separate meeting next Thursday (Nov. 15, 2007) between 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM in Room T921A to do the research, discuss the alternatives and put together a proposed schedule.
  - Further, the Sub-Committee is to present a report to the entire Club at its next meeting on Thursday, November 29, 2007.
  - The Motion was seconded and carried without dissent.

III.) New Business

A.) Fundraising

- Ideas were generated by the Club Members as to the types of fundraisers which could be carried out by the Club to raise capital for Club programs, events and its Battlebot.
  - Ideas included:
    - Car Washes
    - Bake Sales
    - Sell ticket to our upcoming Robo O-Games competition
    - Hold raffles of donated items during the Robo O-Games
    - Seek out businesses for sponsorship and donations
      - Need a parts list for our Battlebot

Club Members were asked to think of additional ideas for fundraising and be prepared to present them at the Club's next meeting on Thursday, November 29, 2007.

B.) Promoting the Robo O-Games, December 1<sup>st</sup> Tournament

- Suggestions were raised to increase participation through intra-campus marketing and promotions
  - Ideas included:
    - The Glacier - MVCC's Student Newspaper
    - Bulletin Boards
    - MVCC TV Network Announcements

C.) Future Intra-Club Competitions

- Discussion ensued regarding next semester's competition, activities over semester break, and a calendar of events for the Winter Semester
  - It was suggested a competition challenge against other Clubs like Applied Science and Engineering.
- It was suggested that the Club Officers meet and present at an upcoming meeting a calendar of events for the Winter Semester.

D.) Minutes from the October 25, 2007 Meeting were distributed and reviewed.

- A Motion was made and seconded to accept the Club Meeting Minutes as presented without any changes.
- The Motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

IV. Adjournment

- A Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Club meeting.
- The Motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.
- The Meeting was adjourned at 4:05 PM.

V.) Open Robo Lab

- Several Club Members stayed until 5:45 PM working on their competition robots.