

Moraine Valley Community College Robotics Club

November 29, 2007

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Present: 3 student members and Larry Langellier - Faculty Advisor

I.) This Meeting called to order by Vice-President G. Gecan
- Agendas passed out to those in attendance

II.) Minutes of the November 8, 2007 were passed out and reviewed by all.
A Motion and Seconded to approve the Meeting Minutes without changes. It passed unanimously by voice vote.

III.) Old Business

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

- Member J. Lanigan, who is serving as the Competition Coordinator, discussed the event
 - He laid out the order of events and the other activities taking place during the competition.
 - Volunteers will be utilized to help run the competitions.
 - He expects the event to run for 2 ½ to 3 hours.
 - After the Robo O-Games, an informal get-together will take place at Hackney on 123rd & LaGrange Road, Palos Park.
 - All will be invited
- Faculty Advisor Langellier and the MVCC Public Affairs Department have sent out press releases to several local newspapers and a couple of Chicagoland television stations.

B.) MVCC ROBOTIC CLUB wiki and Yahoo group

- All members should sign-up for access to the Club's
 - Wiki at "mvccrobotics.wikidot.com";
 - Yahoo Group at "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!

C.) Battlebots (Brief Research Update)

- Still researching what is out there on the Internet
 - No Battlebots competition per www.battlebots.com
 - Have reviewed the rules from past competitions (20 pages)
- Have added a page on our wiki to store Battlebot's research

- As of this date, no competition dates have been set.
- Member J. Lanigan suggested the group look into forming a Regional Consortium, with other local colleges and universities, who would be willing to build their own Battlebots and compete against each other at some future date.

C.) ICC Representative

- As a result of Robotic Club's Secretary/Treasurer W. Grupka being elected as ICC's Vice President, we will have representation at all the meetings for the rest of the Semester.
- Congratulations to Ms. Grupka on her election as Vice President!

IV.) New Business

A.) Vice President G. Gecan and Faculty Advisor L. Langellier were both contacted by a national corporation, headquartered in Chicago, seeking the Club's help in obtaining a hi-tech, robotic arm for an advertising photo shoot. Unfortunately, given the type of arm they were looking for, we were unable to assist them.

- However, it was good to be recognized by an outside party as a legitimate warehouse of robotic knowledge.

B.) Next Club Meeting

- Set for Thursday, December 6th from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM in T921A
- Will discuss next Semester's calendar of events for the Club
 - Come with your ideas

V. 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 3:35 PM.

V.) Open Robo Lab

- Several Club Members stayed until 6:00 PM working on their competition robots.