2005 MCEER Annual Meeting  
Sacramento Marriott Rancho Cordova, Rancho Cordova, California  
SLC Meeting Agenda

*Items for Discussion:*

- **Webpage status**
  - Almost completely up-to-date – Time for a new Web-Master (UB Student), currently M. Pollino. *Xiaobo Luo (UB) agreed to takeover webpage*
  - Written Submissions needed:
    - Check to see if you are on the member list!!! If not email webmaster
    - 2004 Retreat (Reno) – *Anita Jacobson (CU)*
    - 2004 NSF ERC Annual Meeting – *Jeff Berman (UB)*
    - 2005 MCEER Annual Meeting – *Cagdas Kafali (CU)*
    - 2005 EERI Annual Meeting – *Michael Pollino (UB)*

- **Student Spotlight (MCEER Bulletin)**
  - Fall/Winter 2004 – *Cagdas Kafali (CU)*
  - Spring 2005 – *Jeff Berman (UB)*
  - Summer 2005 – *Navid Haji Allah Verdipur (NJIT)*
  - Fall/Winter 2005 – *Gordon Warn (UB)*

- **Seminar Series** – Check SLC website for updates ([http://mceer.buffalo.edu/SLC](http://mceer.buffalo.edu/SLC))
  - Coordinated by SLC Chair, UB-EERI president, and UB students; SLC webmaster to place links to other universities webcast speakers programs

- **Research Experience for Undergrads (REU) Program, April 1st Application Deadline ([http://mceer.buffalo.edu/education/reu/](http://mceer.buffalo.edu/education/reu/))**
  - Need SLC members to advertise REU Program at their university (flyers in department building, e-mail to undergraduate list serve, etc.)
    - M. Pollino to post an advertisement flyer on SLC webpage for download and displaying
  - (2) REU Programs for 2005
    - **MCEER REU Diversity Program**
      - **Eligibility:** Must be a junior or senior undergraduate student from Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation Program (LSAMP) or Historically Black Colleges and Universities Undergraduate Program (HBCU-UP); GPA of 3.0 or higher. US Citizen or permanent resident.
• **Stipend:** $5,000/awardee, and additional travel expenses
  - MCEER REU Program

• 2005 Tri-Center Field Mission – July 5-13, 2005
  - Turkey and Greece - MAE Organizing – More info to come (watch e-mails and SLC webpage)

• SLC Student Retreat – September/October 2005
  - Florida A&M University
  - Marlon Hill, Terri Norton organizing with assistance from SLC Chair

• 2004-2005 SRA – No work until fall (September/October)
  - Need volunteers to be editors – 2 People – Work with Jane Stoyle (MCEER Editor) – Volunteer Editors set the format, collect the papers (via email), and read them over. **Navid Haji Allah Verdipur (NJIT) to be SLC editor for 2004-2005 SRA,** MCEER research areas to be added to paper headings (i.e. Thrust Area I, II, III; Highway, Education)

• Mini Shake Table Competition
  ([http://www.mceer.buffalo.edu/slcsSeisComp/seiscomp.htm](http://www.mceer.buffalo.edu/slcsSeisComp/seiscomp.htm))
  - Committee to modify/advance rules to form a set of uniform guidelines with all Earthquake Engineering Research Centers
  - Need SLC Members to actively recruit and assist undergrads at their university with design and construction of the building (2 SLC members per university preferably), should start “advertising” competition at end of 2005 spring semester
  - **SLC Members to attempt to form USDC teams from:**
    - UNR – Robert Corbin
    - UB – Dong Wang
    - Cornell – Anita Jacobson and Cagdas Kafali
    - NJIT – Navid Haji Allah Verdipur
    - FAMU – Marlon Hill
    - Cal. St. LA – Rupa
    - CUNY?
New Administrative Committee Members
  - Vice-chair: Marlon Hill
  - Activities Coordinator: Navid Haji Allah Verdipur

Past Request from the Director:
  - What would the SLC like to do if we had:
    - Unlimited Time and Money?
    - Reasonable Time and Money?
    - Little Extra Time and Money?
  - Assemble standard packages for K-12 and undergraduate outreach (focus more on middle and high school students, 5-12th grade)
    - Packages could include combinations of: presentation (“lectures”), group lab experiments, mini shake table experiments, videos, arrange student visit to university
    - Could be used by SLC members at different MCEER institutions to assist with outreach activities in their geographic region
    - SLC members would be able to simply take the standard package to outreach events without having to assemble something themselves
      - Standard packages would cover EQ Engineering, Structural Engineering, Geotechnical Engineering, Seismology, Response and Recovery (Societal Issues), Suggestions(?)
        - Coordinate with the ASCE, EERI, and other student chapters to perform outreach activities
        - Possibly set up SLC committees to work on packages related to their focus in the earthquake engineering field
  - Discussion was initiated on this topic however no formal plans to advance this activity were made at the meeting