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Columbia General Audio Group Organizational Meeting

I wanted to send out a quick update as to what was discussed and accomplished at today's meeting for those who were unable to attend. First I would like to thank all those who attended. I appreciate having so many motivated students.

After brief introductions from the Chair, Pantelis Vassilakis and Associate Chair Benj Kanters, three main events set for the future will be as follows:

1.) An organized trip to the Midwest AES Student Summit at the end of March 2010. Detailed information can be found at <http://www.webster.edu/aes/info.htm>. If you plan to attend, make sure to become a student member of AES. It is only about \$40 a year or so. This can be done at <http://www.aes.org/join/>

2.) Manifest showcase. After a successful event last year, it would be wonderful to make an annual attempt at keeping the AAA department involved in Manifest and having our showcase of work continue for years to come.

3.) Phil Ramone. Benj has been working hard to organize an event with Phil Ramone at school. Details will follow.

One of the biggest topics was forming an AES chapter as well as networking more within the college, and making the audio department known to all who attend Columbia, as well as let them know we are here to help if they ever need us for work.

It seemed to be an entire group decision that instead of having the Columbia General Audio Group, we should just become an AES Student Chapter, instead of making them separate groups. It was voted that this was a better idea. Does anyone else have an opinion on this decision?

The last topic is officers for this new AES Student Chapter, and getting things done so funding will be available for next semester. If anyone from the meeting, or others, would like to be an officer of Chapter, please send me a short email. I have high hopes for this group.

Thanks again for all who have helped this week getting this group back on its feet.

Cheers!

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