MPG Info Session

Purpose: Provide a detailed explanation of what MPG is, what students will get out of it, what the costs are, and how to sign up.

Preparation:

1. Select a date within 3 days of the class announcements and book a classroom with enough space for the maximum number of students you might expect.
2. Have at least one proposed MPG meeting day and time planned that you can suggest. If you have multiple options to put up for vote, even better.
3. Prepare a sign-up sheet or use the MPG Sign-up forms provided.
4. Gather as much MPG-related hardware as possible for demos.
5. Have a digital version of the MPG course outline ready and ensure there will be a computer and/or projector to display it in the room. You can also use/modify the presentation, MPG Remote Info Session Presentation, if you would like, or create your own!
6. Recruit past MPG members (if applicable) to bring their hardware and meet students.
7. Organize any refreshments if you plan to offer them to students.
8. If you're running this through IEEE, try to have the whole executive there and have IEEE sign-up forms on hand. At least two people should speak: one about MPG, one about IEEE (or the student group you're running MPG through).

Delivery:

1. Pass out demo hardware and sign-up sheets so they can circulate.
2. Give a high-level overview of what MPG is and what you are trying to accomplish this year.
3. Mention how MPG benefits students in terms of networking, resume building and learning marketable skills.
4. Display and briefly run through the MPG course curriculum and resources.
5. Talk about hardware costs and options.
6. Answer questions.
7. Thank students and get sign-up sheets back.

Information to Highlight:

1. There is no course fee. People are not committed to the program. *
2. MPG has industry-tested curriculum with extensive optional material for further study.
3. Covers technical skills typically not practiced in university.
4. The most important part of MPG is networking (ISCP).
5. Mention dev board pricing and other hardware costs.
6. Everyone is learning in MPG, including the leaders (Jason STILL learns things each year!).
7. It's fun.
8. Opens doors to a wide variety of industries.
9. MPG is no risk, massive reward.

* 80% completion of the program is required to get Co-Curricular Record credits.