Rolling Timber II

June 18, Monday

What we have had in the class:

- Product Development Process
- Design process review
- Problem Statement & Product Requirements
- Budget
- Schedule plan
- Engineering Logbook
- Snapshot (1). 7/9/2018
- Snapshot (2). 8/2/2018

What we talked in the team meeting:

- Zak made an appointment with Scott and Dr. Beyerlein
- Reviewing the previous team recommendation
- Try to understand the issue and what is the solution? And how?
- We have 3 main things to control:
- 1- Mass flow rate of air
- 2- Mass flow rate of wood chips
- 3- Moisture content of wood chips

Agenda for the next meeting:

- Discuss the last week prepared questions with Scott and Dr. Beyerlein
- Research, examine, breaking down the circuits
- Decide the priority order to achieve this project
- We need to know to which phase we need to reach and accomplish each of the 3 tasks

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June 19, Tuesday

What we have had in the class:

- Circuits would be a good choice to start with.
- Made an appointment with Sammy and Ankit to figure out the circuits. We also tried to contact two Electrical Engineering from the previous team.

What we talked in the team meeting:

- We can use and modify any documentation from the previous team if that will help us to achieve and make any development
- Functional performance is our clients first priority
- 1- Mass flow rate of air
- 2- Mass flow rate of wood chips
- 3- Moisture content of wood chips
- Testing and proving the concept by August 5th
- Shut down on September

Agenda for the next meeting:

- Meeting with Ankit and two Electrical Engineering guys to find out how the circuit works
- Regular meeting on Tuesday at 11am
- Need sample wood chip to do some tests
- Math model of how the mass model flow works
- How to use LabVIEW or Simulink software
- Force transducer load cells ?

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June 20, Wed

What we have had in the class:

- Zak made an appointment with Scott
- Meeting with Ankit figuring out how the circuits work and what kits we need.
- Set up all the parts and the components that we need on week 4 for testing.

What we talked in the team meeting:

- Model a small design concept and try to visualize our new idea
- Build circuits from scratch
- Things we need to build our circuits: Breadboard, wires, DMM, op-amp
- Learn software

Agenda for the next meeting:

- Decide with software to use: LabVIEW or Simulink
- Decide which physics to use: Free fall or Sliding
- Math model
- Testing will be on week 4
- Visit the steam plants to take a look at the throat and do the measurements
- Take pictures in the Steam plants

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June 21, Thursday

What we have had in the class:

- The Product Requirements Document (PRD)
- Reviewing what we have done and what approached
- Brainstorms everything we needed to achieve our projects goals

What we talked in the team meeting:

- We wrote down some important questions for the Product Requirements Document (PRD)
- Came up with 3 designs ideas:
- 1- One plate impact system
- 2- Two plates impact system
- 3- One plate slide system
- Looking and figuring out some types of sensors to get the best reading tests for our design.
- We need to know the highest and lowest lbs/s of the wood chips
- What we need to achieve in this project:
- 1- Task 1 up to phase 5 during summer
- 2- Task 2 up to whatever can we achieve
- 3- Task 3 up to whatever can we achieve

Agenda for the next meeting:

- Meeting with Scott and discuss some questions with him
- Product Requirements Document (PRD) due 6/28
- Research sensors type

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June 22, Friday

What we talked in the team meeting:

- Circuits tested
- The pervious loadcells failed and we are thinking to figure out a way to make it work or look up different alternative force sensors
- The client insisted to use mild steel
- Solidworks design
- Modeled a small design concept
- Our client recommended us to use the mild steel for Mechanical Component

Agenda for the next meeting:

- Scott liked the first design idea which is (two plates impact system)
- The second design idea will be a second option if the first design idea doesn't work
- We need to know the scale factor
- Discuss the labVIEW and the Simulink
- Wood source
- Wikipage expectations
- Wikipage setup (Ankit)
- Product Requirement Document (PRD) June 25, Mon
- The second client meeting June 26, Tu
- Purchasing products
- Project portfolio