



August 2014 Board of Directors Meeting

1. Adoption of the Agenda

2. Approval of Minutes

- a. July Board of Directors Meeting: July 26th, 2014
- b. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes: August 5th, 2014

3. Officer Reports

- a. President – Teresa Nguyen
- b. VP Finance – Mehran Hydary
- c. VP Communications – Karan Shukla
- d. VP Academic – Ryan Gomes
- e. VP Student Life – Cory Sulpizi

4. MOTION by Cory Sulpizi to accept the affiliation of new clubs within the Engineering Society

WHEREAS the Policy on Club Affiliation (the "Policy") requires that affiliated clubs within the Engineering Society apply and reapply for Engineering Club Status on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS this year's club affiliation process was advertised to all students including clubs affiliated in the previous year; and

WHEREAS all applications were reviewed by the President and the Vice President Student Life to determine eligibility and merit with respect to the Policy; and

WHEREAS only new student clubs recommended for affiliation require approval from the Board of Directors to receive official Engineering Club Status;

BE IT RESOLVED that the recommendations provided in the latest revision of the *Club Affiliation Report, Aug 2014* be adopted.

5. MOTION by Mehran Hydary to approve allocations made from the special projects funding pool to Spark Design Club;

WHEREAS Spark Design Club has applied for special projects funding for \$400 to facilitate a workshop for the F!rosh during Orientation 1T4; and



WHEREAS the workshop has two events; and

WHEREAS the first event is Lego Block Construction while the second event is an assembly of a mosaic of LEDs that corresponds with the theme of Orientation 1T4;

BE IT RESOLVED that Engineering Society disburses \$400 from the special projects funding pool to Spark Design Club.

6. MOTION by the President to amend Bylaw 7 The Discipline Club Bylaw

WHEREAS Bylaw 7 Section 1.0.4. currently reads:

1.0.4 All discipline club funding shall be withheld until its release is approved by the Board.

The Board may decline to release funding for the following reasons:

- a. The club has grad pranks from previous years which are in a state of disrepair.
- b. The club does not have a constitution that has been ratified by the Board or is not in compliance with its Board-approved Constitution.
- c. The club's chair(s) or co-chairs are not in their graduating year.

WHEREAS transparency is of top priority for compulsory-membership fee collecting student societies'; and

WHEREAS Discipline Clubs have complete autonomy over their EngSoc Constitutional funds once released by the Engineering Society Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS the EngSoc Constitutional funds per discipline amount to \$1000+\$4.50x, where x is the number of students enrolled in the discipline's program as determined by the registrar, as read in Bylaw 7 Section 1.0.4.a; and

WHEREAS the Officers is also seeking to post Discipline Club operating budgets alongside EngSoc's operating budget on skule.ca to increase transparency;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT 1.0.4.c now reads

1.0.4.c The club does not have an operating budget that has been ratified by the Board and all other bullets are renumbered accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Discipline Club operating budgets are posted onto skule.ca with the assistance of VP Communications once ratified at the September Board meeting.

7. MOTION by the President to ratify the Discipline Club Constitutions



WHEREAS Bylaw 7 Section 1.0.4.b states that the Board may decline the release of Discipline Club Funding. The club does not have a constitution that has been ratified by the Board or is not in compliance with its Board-approved Constitution.

WHEREAS the President has gone through Discipline Club constitutions to verify their compliance.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following Discipline Club constitutions be ratified by the Board of Directors

8. MOTION by the President to amend Bylaw 3 The Elections Bylaw

WHEREAS, Bylaw 3 was amended last summer to currently read:

3.0.2 The Nomination Period for First Year Representatives of the Board of Directors shall commence at 9:00 am on the Wednesday of the first full week of class in the fall term, and close at 5:00 pm on the following Sunday;

3.0.3 A Member who currently holds a seat on the Board of Directors may not seek another seat with the same term without first resigning their current seat; and

WHEREAS it has been discussed by the Officer team that a September election period 2-3 days earlier than previous years may help with volunteer and leadership retention due to various factors such as energy from F!rosh Week, allowing for time to have proper meetings with high turn-out with Class Representatives once elected, allowing Ombudsman to host a mixer event for candidates and F!rosh post elections; and

WHEREAS the only significant risk recognized by Discipline Club leaders and CRO in early elections is providing insufficient time to promote the roles; and

WHEREAS the President acknowledges this and has measures to mitigate this by discussing with Discipline Club Chairs and providing handouts of Class Representative and First Year Board Representative role descriptions to engage and inform potential which will given out during F!rosh Week, particularly during the Discipline Club event; and

WHEREAS EngSoc wishes to run September elections for all positional leadership roles simultaneously;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT 3.0.2 is amended to read:

3.0.2 The Nomination Period for First Year Representatives of the Board of Directors shall commence at 9:00 am on a weekday where classes have begun prior to the Friday of the first full week of classes in the fall term, and remains open for at minimum two (2) business days and at maximum (4) business days.



9. MOTION by Tabish Gilani to strike the Policy and Structures Committee as a standing committee of the Board of Directors

WHEREAS the Policy and Structures committee is a standing committee of the board as defined in Bylaw 1, Chapter 4.13.1c; and

WHEREAS in the past Two (2) years, EngSoc believed there wasn't a need for the Policy and Structures committee due to restructuring of council and the Board; and

WHEREAS it was presumed that the Board would essentially fulfill the role of the Policy and Structures committee through debate and discussion; and

WHEREAS this has led to inconsistencies and inaccuracies within the bylaws and policies of the Engineering Society within the past two years; and

WHEREAS there is a need to generate, revise, and update our bylaws and policies;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a Policy and Structures Committee be struck with the Speaker as Chair; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Policy and Structures committee consist of the Speaker, VP Communications, Two (2) members of the board, and Two (2) members of the Engineering Society

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the board direct the Speaker to conduct the nominations and elections process for the two (2) board of directors immediately

10. MOTION by Tabish Gilani to direct the officers to provide a presentation to the Board of Directors on their goals and projects for the upcoming year

WHEREAS the Officers have had time to prioritize their goals for the remainder of the term; and

WHEREAS it is the purview of the Board of Directors to be aware of, and guide the operations of the Society through the projects and activities of its Officers; and

WHEREAS this would make the accountability meetings be a lot smoother and informative; and

WHEREAS it is important to hold the officers accountable for purposes of the functioning of the society in the best interest of its members;



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12:00pm
GB202*

BE IT RESOLVED THAT each of the Officers provide a presentation to the Board of Directors at the September 2014 Board of Directors meeting on their individual and combined efforts, activities, and projects for the remainder of the Academic Year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the VP Communications ensure that these presentations are available in PDF form separately on the website for anyone who wishes to inform themselves regarding the Engineering Society's Direction for the coming year;

11. OTHER BUSINESS

12. ADJOURNMENT



Attendance

Officers		
President	Teresa Nguyen	
VP Finance	Mehran Hydari	
VP Communication	Karan Shukla	
VP Academic	Ryan Gomes	
VP Student Life	Cory Sulpizi	
Directors of the Board		
At-Large	Praneet Bagga	
At-Large	Peter Luo	
At-Large	Yerusha Nuh	
At-Large	Marissa Zhang	
Chemical Representative	Ishan Gupta	
Civil Representative	Ernesto Diaz Lozano Patino	
Computer Representative	Shubham Manchanda	
Electrical Representative	Anamjit Singh Sivia	
Engineering Science Representative	Ashkan Parcham-Kashani	
Industrial Representative	Benjamin Leung	
Materials Science Representative	Vinson Truong	
Mechanical Representative	<i>Vacant</i>	
Mineral Representative	Ivan Zdrakovic	
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Speaker (Non-Voting)	Tabish Gilani	

A – Absent

AwR – Absent with Regrets

P – Proxy