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## July 2014 Board of Directors Meeting

### 1. Adoption of the Agenda

Teresa moves to postpone Item 4 to September's meeting. Teresa believes it would be more exciting for the Frosh BoD members. Teresa clarifies that the Oath is more of a cultural thing. **Seconded by Praneet. Motion 4 removed from Agenda.**

Cory asks to add a new motion:

**Motion by Cory Sulpizi to have facilitated discussion on NewTP (256 McCaul).**

Ryan asks to add a new motion:

**Motion by Ryan Gomes to have facilitated discussion on UTSU issues.**

**Praneet moves to adopt Amended Agenda. Seconded by Yerusha. Motion carries unanimously.**

### 2. Approval of Minutes

- a. June Board of Directors Meeting: June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Teresa asks to fix Officer reports and Minutes.

- b. Academic Advocacy Committee Meeting: 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2014
- c. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes: 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2014
- d. Officer Meeting Minutes: 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2014

**Approval moved by Praneet. Seconded by Ryan. Carried unanimously.**

### 3. Officer Reports

- a. President – Teresa Nguyen

Yerusha asks about a meeting with Vice Dean Susan McCahan about the 30% tuition rebate issue. Teresa explains that she will talk about it at her next meeting with her.

- b. VP Finance – Mehran Hydary



Karan asks about the possibility of including the Square Payment system in the Caf. Mehran says the café could get visa and debit sales through the Stores software.

Jason asks about the discrepancy between the officers reports and the agenda. Mehran says the officer report is outdated.

Teresa asks about the Directorships policies and a timeline. Mehran says he will do it in August. He says it could be done by next BoD meeting.

Cory asks about adding Commercial ops to the policies. Mehran says it's a maybe.

c. VP Communications – Karan Shukla

Teresa asks about the Handbook and asks about the proofs. She asks when they will mail stuff out.

Karan asks Teresa not to intrude too much on Handbook. Karan asks Teresa not too worry. Karan mentions he'll speak to them

Teresa mentions the Scholarship committee, students aren't filling out e-portfolios and asks if we can we look into putting something on the skule.ca. Karz says he'll look into it.

Cory asks about webmaster collaboration. Karz says he's collaborating.

Yerusha says there's incentive to work together with faculty.

Teresa says it's important to meet important deadlines. Karz agrees.

d. VP Academic – Ryan Gomes

Teresa asks if we could look into supporting Hi-Skule over the summer more. Ryan says he's okay with it.

Teresa also asks about supporting students at OEC and CEC. Ryan acknowledges.

Jason asks about discipline clubs involvement in the Anti-Calendar. Praneet talks about a committee proofreading it, and clarifies that the anti-calendar in the appendix was only for first years. Marissa clarifies that she approached the first year reps over the discipline clubs because they just finished it. Ryan says he did reach out to discipline clubs. Teresa says she's in communication with discipline



clubs. Karan says he talked about it with the ECE club and that they're working on it. Marissa says she wanted to reach out to first years who took the course. Jason says he's been in communication with the first years, and asks about distribution over the year. Amanda says that she appreciates the communication between EngSoc and the discipline clubs. Praneet says they still have a working draft and are planning to get it approved soon.

e. VP Student Life – Cory Sulpizi

Teresa asks about sponsorships with Pizza Nova and similar parties. Cory says he'll look into it. Teresa also talks about CCR and mentions that Seneca's CCR is successful. Teresa says that Central Admin wants a CCR so they don't fall behind the American schools.

~~Oath of Office of Board of Directors of the Engineering Society 2014-2015~~

**4. MOTION by Mehran Hydary to approve changes to the Engineering Society Budget for the 2014-2015 Skule Year**

**WHEREAS** the budget of Cannonball was misinterpreted at the June 2014 Finance Committee Meeting; and

**WHEREAS** the Engineering Society Budget for the 2014-2015 Skule Year currently has \$10,000.00 allocated for Cannonball; and

**WHEREAS** Cannonball requested ~~\$9713.00~~ **\$9363.69** for the 2014-2015 fiscal year;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Engineering Society Budget for the 2014-2015 year be amended to have ~~\$9713.00~~ **\$9363.69** allocated for the 2014-2015 year.

**Seconded by Peter.**

Mehran asks to make an amendment. **\$9363.69 instead of 9713.00. Motion to amend seconded by Teresa, carried.**

Mehran apologises for the change.

Peter asks about the change, and Mehran says that it was a preliminary budget, and now they have a more concrete budget.

Ashkan asks about the actual amount. Mehran says its 9363.

**Full motion carried.**



**5. MOTION by Mehran Hydari to approve allocations made from the Club Funding Pool from the Engineering Society Operating Budget for the 2014-2015 year**

**WHEREAS** CSChE and iGEM applied for the Summer Round of Club Funding; and

**WHEREAS** the clubs listed above met with the Finance Committee after the July 2014 Finance Committee Meeting; and

**WHEREAS** the Finance Committee was unable to review their budget with confidence at the July 2014 Finance Committee Meeting before the interviews; and

**WHEREAS** CSChE representatives met with the Finance Committee on July 10, 2014 to review their operating budget; and

**WHEREAS** CSChE requested \$1000.00 from the Engineering Society Club Funding Pool; and

**WHEREAS** iGEM representatives met with the Finance Committee on July 19, 2014 to review their operating budget; and

**WHEREAS** iGEM has requested \$1000.00 from the Engineering Society Club Funding Pool;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** CSChE has \$1000.00 allocated from the Club Funding Pool of the Engineering Society Operating Budget for the 2014-2015 year; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** iGEM has \$1000.00 from the Engineering Society Club Funding Pool from the Engineering Society Operating Budget for the 2014-2015 year.

**Seconded by Karz**

Mehran says iGEM has provided an updated budget. Mehran confirms that they were allocated 800 last year, and are now asking for \$1000. Mehran says they're a good club providing lab experiences for students.

Mehran says that CSChE has requested \$1000. Praneet says that his club will be applying to other funding opportunities. Praneet says he will not be voting on this motion.

Peter asks if iGEM is an engineering thing. Mehran says they're mainly engineers, but they're all around Campus. Mehran says they will apply again for funding if they can't get it now.



Amanda says they attract a lot of biomed students. Mehran says they're open to Engineers.

Ashkan clarifies the membership. Cory is concerned about the composition of the membership.

**Ryan asks to amend the amount from 1000 to 800. Seconded by Praneet. Amendment passed.**

**Amended motion carried. Praneet abstains from voting.**

**6. 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, July 2014* be adopted. (exception of Music Animal Charity)

**Seconded by Ryan.**

**Cory moves to amend: Add all Clubs except for Music Animal Charity.** Cory talks about the new clubs. Cory says he'll have to figure out some financial means though. Cory says he doesn't want to affiliate Music Animal Charity. Cory talks about Skule Dance Club and has no issues affiliation. **Marissa seconds the amendment. Amendment carried.**

Teresa talks about the TrackOne Mentorship program. Teresa is wondering if they can get money more efficiently. Cory says he'll look into it later.

Karz asks to call questions. Motion fails.



Peter asks about how TrackOne is getting money. Cory says they're getting it from the faculty, and says that Mentorship programs can be affiliated with us. Peter asks why they can't be with the faculty and EngSoc.

Teresa says the mentorship programs exist due to the discipline clubs constitution, whereas the TrackOne committee doesn't have one. Teresa says she's open to trying affiliation.

Ashkan asks why Music Animal Club won't be affiliated. Cory says that they haven't had an interview, as per the policies. Cory also says they're not telling EngSoc which charities they're working with.

Peter comments about their request to do a Charity Buskerfirst. Cory says he'll ask them in the interview.

**Amended motion carried.**

**7. MOTION by Praneet Bagga to request funding from the special projects fund for the First Year Anti-calendar booklets**

**WHEREAS** the Academic Advocacy Committee has led an initiative to develop a First Year Engineering Society Anti-calendar, and

**WHEREAS** the Academic Advocacy Committee requires funding to print these booklets for first year students, and

**WHEREAS** the printed booklets will be put into the Frosh Kits and thus need to be printed at least a week prior to kit stuffing,

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Academic Advocacy Committee be granted funds of \$1140 from the special projects fund to finance the printing of 1000 booklets for Frosh kits

**Seconded by Marissa.**

Praneet says he wants these booklets for Frosh Week because the students will like it. Praneet also shows us the quote, and mentions that the funding has reduced due to going with black and white printing instead of colour.

Marissa says its important to have a paper copy. Marissa says the first years have been responsive. He wants the anti-calendar printed by August 9<sup>th</sup>.



Cory asks about numbers. Praneet says he talked to Ribhu, and says that he'll be printing 1000 because of the quote from the Orientation Committee.

Teresa says that this should have been talked about with Mehran instead of going to the Board. Teresa wants communication to happen in between officer meetings.

Ryan says he'll work on communication, and says an officer meeting would be better.

Ashkan reads out Anamjits thoughts. Anamjit doesn't like the printed copies. Anamjit wants it to be online only.

Amanda asks about overlap with the Frosh Week Handbook. Praneet says the handbook calendar is more of a joke, while this one has more information, and says it would be beneficial.

Marissa says its unfair to assume that students won't read the anti-calendar. Marissa likes putting it in Frosh Kits.

Cory also asks about overlap, and says there should be some amalgamation between the Handbook and Anti-Calendar. Praneet says the anti-calendar is for all years. Cory says the printed one is for first years.

Jason doesn't see the value of printing it out. Jason sees the value of web marketing.

Ryan wants to maintain the anticalendar system with the midterm review system. Ryan says putting it online won't work as effectively as printing. Jason says that he would like it

Karz says he supports printing it if they feel that it is useful.

Ashkan says that people are underestimating the value of online marketing.

Amanda agrees with Ashkan's sentiments. However, Amanda agrees that there should've been a bigger timeline to make it more comprehensive.

Praneet says he understands the concerns. Praneet reclarifies that the anti-calendar is for everyone. Praneet says First Years would be helped greatly.

Yerusha says its not necessary to print with good paper. She says it would be more effective to print it on normal paper. Yerusha says there's value in web only anti-calendars.



Praneet says that people like physical things over web things.

Marissa says the Frosh Handbook should collaborate with the EngSoc. Marissa says they've been very serious about it.

Peter asks about the multiple people writing it, and raises concerns about overlap with the discipline clubs own initiatives. Praneet says they've been collaborating with discipline clubs.

Mehran says its unfair to the board to vote on something that isn't done. Mehran says the project is still young.

Teresa says the web soft copy would be useful for EngSoc marketing. Teresa thinks it's a great idea.

Ryan says the board is overestimating how useful web soft copies are. Ryan says the website won't be very effective. Ryan says it's a part of his portfolio.

Mehran says the project won't die if they don't get funding. Mehran supports it but is unsure if printing is the best way to go about.

**Yerusha moves to call questions. Ryan seconds.** Jason asks about a conflict of interest. Informal discussion called by Tabish. **Questions called by majority.**

**Full motion carried.**

**8. MOTION by Brian To to grant the Engineering Science Levy Fund appeal**

**WHEREAS** at the February Board of Directors meeting, project NSCI11 (In-Plane Shearing Test) was not approved under the impression that it was a graduate course; and

**WHEREAS** the Division of Engineering Science provided enrolment information confirming the proposal concerned a primarily undergraduate course; and

**WHEREAS** this information seems to not have been taken into account in the May board meeting; and

**WHEREAS** this proposal also benefits MSE undergraduate students; and

**WHEREAS** there is a demonstrable need for this funding;





**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** \$9,793.33 is allocated to the Division of Engineering Science from the levy fund pool for project NSCI11.

**Seconded by Ashkan**

Brian says he looked at the minutes, and has provided enrolment numbers. Brian says only 3 students were graduate students.

Ashkan says that not many grads take it.

Teresa clarifies that Nano is being axed, and raises concerns about the money required. Teresa says that MSE students should ask the department to propose it. Teresa is skeptical as to why they're asking for less. Teresa wants a formal letter from EngSci rebutting her argument.

Cory talks about the course not being offered in 2013. Cory asks if it's a special consideration for majority since we've shot it down. It requires two thirds majority. Ashkan says the professor was teaching another course.

Ryan agrees with Teresa and says MSE should ask for the money. Ashkan says that nano is being axed.

Amanda says there are still nano students who want to finish. Amanda says its too late for the MSE students to send a letter. Teresa says its too late for a full proposal, and asks if it's a letter of support that they need to get the funding.

Ashkan says the professor is applying for funding, and understands the concerns. Brian says Ashkan has been talking to MSE students.

Karan expresses concerns about it benefitting 20 people.

Yerusha says MSE students find it very valuable. Yerusha would like to hear more from the MSE side.

Ashkan says the levy fund is designed for these kind of things.

Amanda says EngScis don't get much money, compared to the amount of money EngSci students put into the levy fund.

Mehran asks if they can confirm that the course will be offered over the next years. Tabish says the motion only requires a majority. Ashkan says that they can provide a letter.



Karz agrees with Mehran.

Yerusha feels that it should not come from EngSci, and should come from MSE students.

Ashkan says the course is not in danger, and says the Jig was designed to enhance the course.

Teresa wants more formal letters. Teresa says the levy fund was designed to increase competitions.

Mehran says we have to check the policies for reapplications.

**Cory moves to call questions. Questions called.**

**Motion failed.**

**9. Facilitated discussion by Teresa on EngSoc developing idea, Engineering Technology and Government Policy Review Forum (ETGPRF) (See Appendix)**

**Ashkan seconds.**

Teresa explains that the review forum would allow engineers to talk about political ideas. Teresa explains that people are already interested. Teresa explains that she wants to create a space for students to talk about policy.

Karz likes the idea.

Cory says the club would be more appropriate. Cory doesn't want it to be formal.

Ashkan says that something like this would help Engineers get into politics.

Peter agrees with Cory.

Teresa says that their meetings would be minuted and would be useful for EngSoc. Teresa says this forum was historically inspired.

Cory says that clubs already do similar things.

Yerusha says it doesn't fall in the EngSoc description.

Teresa doesn't see it as a Directorship.



Ashkan supports the idea, but isn't sure if EngSoc wants to do that.

Teresa clarifies that it's a space for individual growth, and won't represent EngSoc.

**10. Facilitated discussion by Teresa on the Faculty Job Description of Assistant Director, Student Experience and Teaching Development (see Appendix)**

**Seconded by Yerusha**

Yerusha explains her concerns about the usefulness of the job position in relation to EngSoc's goals.

Teresa explains that there is a new person replacing Leslie Mak. Teresa explains concerns about the job position.

The Board expresses autonomy concerns due to this position.

**11. Facilitated discussion and review by Teresa on the Academic Advocacy Review Report - Table of Contents (see Appendix)**

**Seconded by Cory.**

Cory moves this to email conversation.

**12. Motion by Cory Sulpizi to have facilitated discussion on NewTP (256 McCaul).**

**Praneet seconds.**

Cory explains Concrete Canoe has new space at 704 Spadina. Cory says UTAT wants more space. 704 Spadina is only for this year.

Karz asks about costs. Cory says its an ethical issue.

Praneet says we should provide them space.

Teresa asks if everything has been written down. Teresa wants a proper transition report.

Ashkan doesn't see anything wrong with giving UTAT more space.

Karz says he trusts VP Student Life.

Ashkan wants to tell the other clubs that there is space available.

Cory says there may be issues.



**13. Motion by Ryan Gomes to have facilitated discussion on UTSU issues.**

**Seconded by Karan.**

Ryan talks about the UTSU board meeting. Ryan says we have 12 months to try and keep representation at the UTSU. Ryan says we're in a legal limbo.

Karan expresses concerns as to why Ryan has to go to the AGM to pass a different article of continuation.

Cory asks about UTM and St. George Representation. Ryan says he wanted to define different classes.

Ryan says PEY students aren't under the UTSU.

Teresa wants to show the Faculty that we are doing everything in good faith. Teresa expresses UTSU legitimacy concerns. Teresa says they're speaking with the SGRT.

Ryan says that the Faculty has its own definition of student representation.

Yerusha explains the importance of the AGM.

Ryan says no one wants Industry Canada's compliant bylaws.

**14. OTHER BUSINESS**

a. Discipline Clubs Accountability

Teresa has the constitutions of all the discipline clubs. Mehran will help with the operating budget. Teresa explains that Discipline Clubs will get extra bursary under the constitutions.

Peter says CIV club has some concerns. Jason explains that there are some issues with the Treasurer elections. Jason feels confident with appointing a treasurer.

**15. ADJOURNMENT – 5:28**

Seconded by Ashkan. Moved by Ryan. Motion carried.



## Attendance

<b>Officers</b>		
President	Teresa Nguyen	
VP Finance	Mehran Hydari	
VP Communication	Karan Shukla	
VP Academic	Ryan Gomes	
VP Student Life	Cory Sulpizi	
<b>Directors of the Board</b>		
At-Large	Praneet Bagga	
At-Large	Leter 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	
<i>First Year</i>	<i>Vacant over Summer</i>	
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Speaker (Non-Voting)	Tabish Gilani	

**A – Absent**

**AwR – Absent with Regrets**

**P – Proxy**