



September 2014 Board of Directors Meeting – Part 2

1. Adoption of the Agenda

2. Approval of Minutes

- a. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes: September 15th, 2014
- b. Academic Advocacy Committee Minutes: September 8th, 2014

3. Officer Reports & Presentations

- 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 for discussion by Ryan Gomes regarding consultation on the UTSU's Board Reform Package

5. MOTION by Mehran Hydary to approve the changes to the Operating Budget of the Engineering Society

WHEREAS the Vice President Finance is required to prepare a budget of operating expenses for the year, in accordance with the Bylaws of the society; and

WHEREAS it is prudent to update the budget throughout the year based on actual expenditures and changing circumstances;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the attached changes to the Operating Budget of the Engineering Society be approved.

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, Sept 2014* be adopted.

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

WHEREAS Bylaw 7 Section 1.0.3.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

- Chemical Engineering Discipline Club
- Civil Engineering Discipline Club
- Computer Engineering Discipline Club
- Electrical Engineering Discipline Club
- Engineering Science Discipline Club
- Industrial Engineering Discipline Club
- Materials Science Engineering Discipline Club
- Mechanical Engineering Discipline Club
- Mineral Engineering Discipline Club

6. SPECIAL MOTION by Mehran Hydary to approve 2014-2015 Discipline Club Funding

WHEREAS the release of funding to recognized Discipline Clubs is authorized annually by the Board per Bylaw 7, 1.0.3c; and

WHEREAS the Finance Committee has reviewed and approved budgets from six (6) of nine (9) Discipline Clubs at the Finance Committee Meeting on September 15, 2014 as per Bylaw 7, 1.0.3c; and

WHEREAS the Finance Committee did not approve the budgets of Materials Sciences Engineering Club and the Engineering Science Club at the Finance Committee Meeting on September 15, 2014 as per Bylaw 7, 1.0.3c; and



WHEREAS Material Sciences Engineering Club and the Engineering Science club have provided updated budgets; and

WHEREAS final enrolment numbers are not yet available from the Registrar's Office;

BE IT RESOLVED that funding be released to the following Discipline Clubs according to the following amounts, 60% to be disbursed following receipt of student fees by the Society, 30% in January 2015 and 10% in March 2015:

- Chemical Engineering Club - \$3,403.00
- Civil Engineering Club - \$3,502.00
- Computer Engineering Club - \$2,993.50
- Electrical Engineering Club - \$5,189.50
- Industrial Engineering Club - \$2,872.00
- Mechanical Engineering Club - \$4,627.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funding be released to the following Discipline Clubs according to the following, 60% to be disbursed following receipt of student fees by the Society, 30% in January 2015 and 10% in March 2015:

- Engineering Science Club – \$1720.00
- Materials Science Club - \$5608.00

7. SPECIAL MOTION by Vinson Truong to grant the Engineering Science Levy Fund appeal

WHEREAS the initial proposal was not recommended due to a misconception that MSE550 was a graduate level course; and

WHEREAS at the July Board of Directors meeting, the project NSCI11 (In-Plane Shearing Test) appeal was not approved due to concerns brought up about the longevity of the course, the cancellation of the Nano-engineering option in Engineering Science, and the lack of formal letters; and

WHEREAS the course is not in jeopardy of being cancelled; and

WHEREAS the Nano-engineering option will be transitioned to a Nano-engineering certificate and/or minor in the near future for which MSE550 will be an option; and

WHEREAS the Department of Materials Science and Engineering Chair, Professor Jun Nogami, has issued a formal letter of approval for this project in response; and



WHEREAS the funding proposal was approved by the Division of Engineering Science Chair, Professor Mark Kortschot and the Engineering Science Club; and

WHEREAS there was also a concern over the change of amount requested from \$14,690.00 to \$9,793.33; and

WHEREAS the initial amount posted was incorrect as the Department of Materials Science and Engineering had confirmed that they will provide a 50 cent on the dollar match on all funds received; and

WHEREAS only \$497,406.75 of the \$600,000.00 from last year's levy fund was allocated and there is a demonstrable need for this funding;

BE IT RESOLVED that \$9,793.33 is allocated to the Division of Engineering Science.

8. MOTION by Marissa Zhang to amend bylaw 3.0.2 of The Elections Bylaw

WHEREAS Bylaw 3.0.2 currently reads:

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 three (3) business days.

WHEREAS the first two full weeks of classes in September are extremely busy, especially for first year students; and

WHEREAS the email reminder for elections was sent out this year on Friday, September 5th at 4:29 PM, and the deadline for submitting a nomination was Tuesday, September 9th at 5:00 PM; and

WHEREAS first year students might not be used to checking their emails on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS it is important to provide students enough time to seriously consider the position that they're running for and gather nomination signatures; and

WHEREAS many first years have voiced complaints about the nomination period being too short;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Bylaw 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 five (5) business days.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Bylaw 6.0.3 is added to read:

The Nomination Period for PEY, First Year, and Second Year Class Representatives 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 five (5) business days.

9. SPECIAL MOTION by the Chief Returning Officer to amend Bylaw 2 The Directors Bylaw

WHEREAS Bylaw 2 Section 2.1.1 c to 2.1.1 k currently reads:

2.1.1. The following positions shall be Ex-Officio Director positions:

- c. The Chemical Chair, appointed by the Chemical Engineering Club;
- d. The Civil Chair, appointed by the Civil Engineering Club;
- e. The Electrical Chair, appointed by the Electrical Engineering Club;
- f. The Computer Chair, appointed by the Computer Engineering Club;
- g. The Engineering Science Chair, appointed by the Engineering Science Club;
- h. The Industrial Chair, appointed by the Industrial Engineering Club;
- i. The Materials Chair, appointed by the Metallurgy and Materials Science Club;
- j. The Mining Chair, appointed by the Mining Club;
- k. The Mechanical Chair, appointed by the Mechanical Engineering Club; and

WHEREAS the Discipline Club Chairs hold positions of extreme importance in the overall governance of the Engineering Society; and

WHEREAS permitting individual clubs to appoint Chairs without the need for consultation of their constituency is not in good faith of the democratic and transparent ideology of the Society.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT 2.1.1 c to 2.1.1 k now reads:

- c. The Chemical Chair, elected by the Chemical Engineering Club membership;
- d. The Civil Chair, elected by the Civil Engineering Club membership;
- e. The Electrical Chair, elected by the Electrical Engineering Club membership;
- f. The Computer Chair, elected by the Computer Engineering Club membership;
- g. The Engineering Science Chair, elected by the Engineering Science Club membership;
- h. The Industrial Chair, elected by the Industrial Engineering Club membership;
- i. The Materials Chair, elected by the Metallurgy and Materials Science Club membership;
- j. The Mining Chair, elected by the Mining Club membership;
- k. The Mechanical Chair, elected by the Mechanical Engineering Club membership;



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Discipline Club Constitutions be amended to reflect the changes accordingly

10. 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

11. SPECIAL MOTION by Ryan Gomes regarding the bylaw concerning eligibility for president

WHEREAS the Engineering Society's bylaws currently mandates that the president be a fourth year student; and

WHEREAS consultations regarding the SAC's board reform have brought to light that regulating certain positions to groups that are not classes is illegal under the new federal Act; and



WHEREAS the Ontario legislation under which the Engineering Society is currently incorporated under will be changing in less than three years to match the federal Act; and

WHEREAS the Engineering Society is currently the only undergraduate student governance organization on campus which regulates its President to being a fourth year student; and

WHEREAS the regulation of certain positions to fourth years, as a practice, is unfair and perpetuates a culture of classism.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT bylaw 1, chapter 3.1.3 be changed to read as follows:

"The President must be a full member as defined in MEMBERSHIP AND FEES.

- a. It is recommended, but not required, that the President be in the fourth year of an undergraduate program in the Faculty in the September of his/her term of office and thereafter."

12. OTHER BUSINESS

13. ADJOURNMENT



Attendance

Attendance		
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	
First Year	Stephen Xu	
First Year	Francis Kang	
First Year	Saarthak Saxena	
Speaker (Non-Voting)	Tabish Gilani	

A – Absent

AwR – Absent with Regrets

P – Proxy