



## February 2014 Board of Directors Meeting

### 1. Adoption of the Agenda

### 2. Approval of Minutes

- a. January Board of Directors Meeting: January 26, 2014
- b. February Officer Meeting: February 7, 2014
- c. Finance Committee Meeting: January 20, 2013

### 3. Officer Reports

- a. President – Mauricio Curbelo
- b. VP Finance – Gordon Tattle
- c. VP Communications – Thomas Santerre
- d. VP Academic – Fady Soliman
- e. VP Student Life – Gabriel Stavros

### 4. Commercial Operations Reports

- a. Engineering Stores – Mehran Hydary

### 5. MOTION by Skule Nite regarding the renewal of the Skule Nite Levy

**WHEREAS** Skule Nite is seeking to renew the Skule Nite Levy;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the following preamble (subject to minor revisions in wording) be put to referendum to the full-time members of the University of Toronto Engineering Society at the upcoming Board of Director's elections in March 2014:

*The Engineering Society is seeking consent from its members to continue the levy for Skule Nite. The levy will be \$1.90 per session per student (\$3.80 per Fall & Winter academic sessions).*

*If the levy is approved, it will continue to be charged to all full-time undergraduate Applied Science and Engineering students in fall 2014 and fall 2015. Subsequent referendum approval will be required to continue the fee after the 2015/2016 session.*

*Are you in favour of continuing the Skule Nite Levy as described above?*

### 6. MOTION by Gordon Tattle to approve Levy Fund allocations

**WHEREAS** the undergraduate student levy voted last year to establish a levy fund whose purpose is to improve undergraduate laboratories; and



**WHEREAS** the President and the Vice-President Finance have solicited and received proposals from departments; and

**WHEREAS** the Finance Committee has reviewed the proposals and has selected 34/50 proposals which have met the Levy Fund's criteria; and

**WHEREAS** the Finance Committee believes these projects will improve the academic experience of the student body and help our laboratories to grow and develop; and

**WHEREAS** additional documentation and individual applications have been hosted online;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Engineering Society Board of Directors approves the disbursement of funds as indicated in the attached table; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Vice-President Finance may lower any disbursement should the costs of the projects have fallen throughout this process.

**7. MOTION by Gabriel Stavros 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** 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 new student clubs, included in the Appendix, be affiliated with the Engineering Society for the remainder of the 2013-2014 year.

**8. SPECIAL MOTION by Gordon Tattle to allocate funding to Social Spark**

**WHEREAS** the \$150 dollars allocated to Social Spark from Affiliated Club Funding is currently being withheld; and

**WHEREAS** the following motion was passed at our November Meeting:

*WHEREAS Social Spark – Toronto Hub is a student run club at the University of Toronto that works to educate students about social entrepreneurship and provide opportunities for growth; and*

*WHEREAS Social Spark applied to the Engineering Society's Fall Club Funding round and \$150 in funding was approved by the Finance Committee; and*



*WHEREAS with the club's primary source of funding (\$1,000), the Munk School of Global Affairs, having rescinded its commitment, presents a major change in financial circumstances; and*

*WHEREAS in wake of this change, budget cuts have been made to compensate; however, further cuts will severely reduce the amount of services offered and additional funding is required to sustain services; and*

*WHEREAS a majority of Social Spark's participation comes from undergraduate engineering students with a high level of satisfaction; and*

*WHEREAS the time period for appeals to the Finance Committee has now passed;*

*BE IT RESOLVED that Social Spark Toronto Hub be allocated an additional \$500 from the Affiliated Club Funding Pool; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if Social Spark becomes unaffiliated that the funding be withdrawn.*

Which allocated an additional \$500 to Social Spark, on the condition that their affiliated status was maintained; and

**WHEREAS** Social Spark became unaffiliated later in the same meeting; and

**WHEREAS** the additional funding previously allocated from the Affiliated Club Funding Pool is no longer available; and

**WHEREAS** it is prudent that this additional funding be restored should Social Spark become re-affiliated;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the \$150 previously allocated from the Affiliated Club Funding pool be released following usual policy; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Social Spark be allocated an additional \$500 from the Conference Funding Pool.

**9. SPECIAL MOTION by Pearl Barrett to amend Bylaw 2**

**WHEREAS** currently it is not possible to run for a director position if you have already been elected to that position; and

**WHEREAS** this can unfairly restrict individuals who were forced to resign due to personal circumstances or emergencies;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Bylaw 2 Section 0.1.2 which reads



*0.1.2. A Project Director, once elected, will not be considered eligible to run in an election for the same position.*

Be amended to read:

*0.1.2. A Project Director, once elected, will not be considered eligible to run in an election for the same position, unless*

*a. They held the position for less than two months after the Joint Council Meeting; and*

*b. Their nomination is permitted by a Special Motion of the Board of Directors prior to the start of the Nomination Period.*

**10. OTHER BUSINESS**

**11. ADJOURNMENT**



## Attendance

<b>Officers</b>		
President	Mauricio Curbelo	
VP Finance	Gordon Tattle	
VP Communication	Thomas Santerre	
VP Academic	Fady Soliman	
VP Student Life	Gabriel Stavros	
<b>Directors of the Board</b>		
At-Large	Yerusha Nuh	
At-Large	Tabish Gilani	
At-Large	Praneet Bagga	
At-Large	Stephanie Gaglione	
Chemical Representative	Sean Hunt	
Civil Representative	Evan Ma	
Computer Representative	Kimberly Shen	
Electrical Representative	Allan Wang	
Engineering Science Representative	Pierre Harfouche	
Industrial Representative	Alexandra Szatan	
Materials Science Representative	Vinson Truong	
Mechanical Representative	Evan Boyce	
<i>Mineral Representative</i>	<i>Vacant</i>	
First Year	Reza Boushehri	
First Year	Dareen Kutob	
First Year	Marissa Zhang	

**A – Absent**

**AwR – Absent with Regrets**

**P – Proxy**