



December 2014 Board of Directors Meeting

1. Adoption of the Agenda

Meeting called to order at 6:19

Motion to vote Matt Lee as Speaker for this meeting

Seconded by Karz

Motion pass.

Ryan motions to adopt Agenda.

Marissa seconds

Agenda adopted at 6:20pm

2. Approval of Minutes

- a. October Board of Directors Meeting: October 25th, 2014
- b. November Board of Directors Meeting: November 22nd, 2014
- c. Academic Advocacy Meeting: November 19th, 2014

Seconded by Praneet

Minutes approved.

3. Officer Reports

- a. President – Teresa Nguyen

Oral Report

Teresa talks about Susan McCahan becoming Vice Provost of Engineering and Ingenuity. She says our faculty is searching for a Vice Dean Undergrad. Teresa talks about the Varsity articles about SUDS which took up her time.

Saarthak asks whether Fiesta Suds and the associated conversations about it have blown over. Teresa says she's still getting comments about it. Saarthak asks if



there's an administrative problem about it. Teresa says the Faculty is aware of the article but they have not said anything.

Tejas asks about the Vice Dean Undergraduate, and who Teresa thinks would be helpful to EngSoc in the position. Teresa says a candidate has to have fun in the position, but also be highly well respected in terms of research and academics. Teresa is having more meetings with faculty about it.

b. VP Finance – Mehran Hydary

Saarthak asks about safeTALK and whether Megan Matts will help out with Mental Health Awareness Week. Mehran says the week will be more general and not specific like safeTALK.

Ishan asks about collaborating with the faculty.

c. VP Communications – Karan Shukla

Karan says he will be working on the engsoc video over the winter

Teresa thinks that the website looks dated.

Karan disagrees that it looks dated. Karan says the next vp comm can look into it but at the moment I want to see the webmaster to make some smaller changes.

Ryan: I've heard back from the webmaster just once about courses.skule.ca and its still broken. I don't want to leave a situation for my successor of courses.skule.ca of the system being broken and is there any way you can reach out to Abdul for that?

Yerusha: Did you have a chance to talk to your directors after the last board meeting. Do you have any chances to get in touch with them for the next semester?

Karz: I did have a meeting with webmaster afterwards, a quick conversation, like you got elected back. He said yea ill improve on it. I had meeting with the cannon director and the skulebook and we had a face to face meeting. I've been keeping up with them. I've had got speak with Colin and the archivist. They're still going good. I've had been meeting my directors.

Praneet: Cut them a little bit of slack because of exams.

d. VP Academic – Ryan Gomes



Ryan talks about the new honours and how it will not conflict with the existing Honours. Ryan says that there will be two more Saturdays of exam days next year due to the Labour Day. Ryan will meet with the UTSU to ensure that their business does not conflict with EngSoc.

Saarthak talks about the new first year course that's coming (APS101). Ryan says the faculty will take into account the feedback. Teresa asks about uploading Syllabi to courses. Ryan says he's into it. Karan makes a point of legality that it may be illegal to upload syllabi. Ryan says its okay under the Canadian Coverage. Mehran asks whether it's the same as the engsoc anticalendar. Praneet says they're two different things.

e. VP Student Life – Cory Sulpizi

Teresa asks about Orientation Chair elections, and how they're interested in releasing an application package.

4. ITEM FOR DISCUSSION – Reflection of the Fall Semester & Items for Winter

Karan motions to adjourn. Seconded by Faizan. Motion fails.

Teresa wants to know what people want to do over the winter break and what people want over the semester. Ryan wants to see courses fixed. Teresa wants Syllabi ready to go. Teresa asks about the international students' engagement which Cory has mentioned. Cory says it will be a number of initiatives. Ryan says he wants a Vice Dean Undergrad which understands the student community. Saarthak agrees. Mehran asks about getting more FaceTime with the Vice Dean. Teresa says she'll look into it. Faizan asks about what the Vice Dean Undergrad does. Teresa explains. Ishan says that it's important to get someone with experience. Pierre (over Skype) asks about what the candidate would think about expanding engineering to UTM. Teresa says Susan McCahan will be helping with transitions through meetings. Yerusha asks about the 30% tuition. Teresa says she will be working with the new Vice Dean Undegrad and the Faculty.

5. ITEM FOR DISCUSSION – Skule Endowment Fund Disbursement Committee

Mehran talks about a subcommittee which handles the disbursement of the interest of the SEF. It will consist of faculty as well as students. Mehran says he needs help and wants feedback. Teresa talks about increasing the awareness of the Temporary Levy Funds.



Mehran says they're in the process of the projects which have been approved. Next semester it will be sent out to all the society so they see what's been done. Mehran says that clubs who use the money will have to put up the plaque. Pierre says that if we give out more money, people will see how much the society gives back to its students. Vinson asks about standardised plaques. Mehran says Teresa has the plaques.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ryan,

Seconded by Saarthak.

Meeting adjourned at 7.05



Attendance

Officers		
President	Teresa Nguyen	P
VP Finance	Mehran Hydari	P
VP Communication	Karan Shukla	P
VP Academic	Ryan Gomes	P
VP Student Life	Cory Sulpizi	P
Directors of the Board		
At-Large	Praneet Bagga	P
At-Large	Peter Luo	P
At-Large	Yerusha Nuh	P
At-Large	Marissa Zhang	P
Chemical Representative	Ishan Gupta	
Civil Representative	Ernesto Diaz Lozano Patino	A
Computer Representative	Shubham Manchanda	A
Electrical Representative	Anamjit Singh Sivia	A
Engineering Science RepRepresentative	Ashkan Parcham-Kashani	A
Industrial Representative	Benjamin Leung	
Materials Science Representative	Vinson Truong	
Mechanical Representative	Faizan Akbani	
Mineral Representative	Ivan Zdrakovic	A
First Year	Stephen Xu	A
First Year	Francis Kang	
First Year	Saarthak Saxena	
Speaker (Non-Voting)	Tabish Gilani	A

A – Absent AwR – Absent with Regrets P – Proxy