



April 2015 Board of Directors Meeting (Post-JCM)

1. Adoption of the Agenda

2. Approval of Minutes

- a. January Board of Directors Meeting: January 29th, 2015
- b. March Board of Directors Meeting: March 21st, 2015
- c. Finance Committee Meeting:

3. Officer Reports

- a. President – Ernesto Diaz Lazano Patiño
- b. VP Finance – Rachel Reding
- c. VP Communications – Reena Cabanilla
- d. VP Academic – Oghosa Igbinakenzua
- e. VP Student Life – Madeleine Santia

4. MOTION by Matthew Lee to ratify the results of the 2015 Board of Directors Elections

WHEREAS the Chief Returning Officer has submitted the results of the elections for the 2015-2016 Engineering Society Board of Directors;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the results of the 2015 Engineering Society Board of Directors Elections are received and ratified.

5. MOTION by Matthew Lee to ratify the results of the 2015 Discipline Club Elections

WHEREAS the Chief Returning Officer has submitted the results of the elections for the 2015-2016 Engineering Society Discipline Club Elections;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the results of the 2015 Engineering Society Discipline Club Elections are received and ratified.

6. MOTION by Matthew Lee to ratify the results of the 2015 Class Representative Elections

WHEREAS the Chief Returning Officer has submitted the results of the elections for the 2015-2016 Engineering Society Class Representatives;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the results of the 2015 Engineering Society Class Representative Elections are received and ratified.



7. MOTION by Matthew Lee to ratify the results of the 2015 Club Levy Referendums

WHEREAS the Chief Returning Officer has submitted the results of the referendums for the 2015-2016 Club Levies;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the results of the 2015 Engineering Society Club Levy Referendums are received and ratified.

8. MOTION by Mehran Hydary to update the Policy on Finances

WHEREAS in the 2014-2015 year, the Vice President Finance and Vice President Student Life has been working with the Faculty to create a new centralized process for club funding applications; and

WHEREAS the process has been implemented within the Engineering Society and the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Engineering; and

WHEREAS the current Policy on Finances does not accurately reflect the new process; and

WHEREAS the Finance Committee is also now responsible for reviewing budgets of the Discipline Clubs as per 2014-2015; and

WHEREAS the current Vice President Finance has updated the Policy on Finances to reflect the new and existing processes regarding finances of the Engineering Society;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Policy on Finances amended on April 3, 2015 be approved as amended in the attached appendix.

9. SPECIAL MOTION by Tabish Gilani to enforce Officers to undergo Equity Training

WHEREAS at an open meeting of the Policy & Structures Committee, it was concluded that the officers and board did not have enough working knowledge on the matter regarding an equity event on campus to make a snap judgement; and

WHEREAS this training will be a step in the right direction to avoid unnecessary confusion and hold the officers accountable for their actions within this space; and

WHEREAS equity is largely unnoticed within the Engineering community and the Engineering Society should strive to achieve a level of excellence in all the diverse communities that Engineering students are associated with

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following be added to Bylaw 1, Chapter 3 and all sections be renumbered accordingly



“3.0.12. Each officer must attend a form of or equivalent of Equity Training, before the September month of their term, provided by the University of Toronto and their resources or from an external organization deemed reliable at a meeting of the Board of Directors

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Engineering Society condemns all forms of discrimination including but not limited to racism, sexism, xenophobia, ableism, ageism, queerphobia, transphobia and discrimination based on status.

10. SPECIAL MOTION by Tabish Gilani to create the position of Executive Secretary as a director of the Board of Directors

WHEREAS the incoming Vice President Communications has recognized the need for quality minutes to be taken and such a position to exist for her to focus on more pressing issues affecting the Society at large; and

WHEREAS VP Communications will act in a supervisory role to the Executive Secretary scrutinizing and reviewing minutes before they are published; and

WHEREAS the Executive Secretary will also act as de-facto chair of the Policy & Structures committee; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following section be added to Bylaw 1, Chapter 4 and all other sections be renumbered accordingly

4.12 Executive Secretary

4.12.1 The Executive Secretary shall ensure that quality minutes are taken at each meeting of the Board of Directors

4.12.2 In the absence of the Executive Secretary, VP Communications shall ensure quality minutes are taken, except as determined by a majority of the Board

4.12.3 The Executive Secretary shall be a non-voting member of the Board of Directors

4.12.4 Nominations for the Executive Secretary shall be held according to Bylaw 3 – Bylaw on Elections

4.12.5 The Executive Secretary will serve as de-facto chair of the Policy & Structures Committee, except as determined by a majority of the Board of Directors

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following section be added to Bylaw 3, Chapter 3 and all other sections be renumbered accordingly

3.2. Executive Secretary of the Board of Directors

3.2.1. The Nomination Period for the Executive Secretary of the Board of Directors shall commence on a Monday at 9:00am two (2) weeks prior to the May meeting of the Board, and close on the Friday of the same week.

3.2.2. A Member shall be considered nominated upon receipt by the CRO, during the Nomination Period, of a completed Nomination Form, which shall include:

- a) The Member’s name, student number, contact information, and signature;



b) The names, student numbers, and signatures of ten (10) Nominators, all of whom shall be members.

3.2.3. At the May meeting of the Board, each candidate shall be given the opportunity to speak before the election for this position.

3.1.4. Each Board member shall have one (1) vote to elect the Executive Secretary of the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following be added to Bylaw 3, Chapter 8 and all sections be renumbered accordingly

8.0.1 There shall be an Election Rules Committee, consisting of

d. The Executive Secretary of the Board.

11. MOTION by Tabish Gilani to amend the structure of the Election Appeals Committee

WHEREAS the Engineering Society has criticized SAC for the inclusion of their executive members on their Election Appeals Committee; and

WHEREAS to maintain a neutral, but student, representative on the appeals committee;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the President be replaced by the Speaker of the Board on the Election Appeals Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Articles 7.0.1 and 7.0.2 of Bylaw 3 The Elections Bylaw be amended to say

7.0.1. Any appeals or complaints related to elections shall be brought in writing, within seven (7) days of the announcement of results, to an Election Appeals Committee comprised of:

a. the Speaker

b. a representative from the Engineering Alumni Association; and

c. the Registrar of the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering.

7.0.2. In the event that one of the members above is unable to serve on the committee, reserve members will be selected from:

a. The President;

b. The Chair of the Academic Appeals Board of Faculty Council;

c. A graduating Officer.

12. SPECIAL MOTION by Tabish Gilani to add quorum requirements for the Joint Council Meeting

WHEREAS currently the Bylaw has no quorum requirements for the Joint Council Meeting; and



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WHEREAS at this past Joint Council Meeting, quorum was set at 50% at the discretion of the Speaker to ensure a fair voting process; and

WHEREAS it is prudent to establish quorum requirement for future Joint Council Meetings

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following section be added to Bylaw 1, Chapter 5 and all other sections be renumbered accordingly

5.2 Quorum

5.2.1 Quorum at a meeting of the Council shall be fifty per-cent (50%) of voting members present

5.2.2 Proxy members shall count towards Quorum

13. OTHER BUSINESS

14. ADJOURNMENT



Attendance

President	Ernesto Diaz Lazano Patiño	
VP Finance	Rachel Reding	
VP Communication	Reena Cabanilla	
VP Academic	Oghosa Igbinakenzua	
VP Student Life	Madeleine Santia	
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	VACANT	
Engineering Science Representative	VACANT	
Industrial Representative	Benjamin Leung	
Materials Science Representative	Vinson Truong	
Mechanical Representative	Faizan Akbani	
Mineral Representative	VACANT	
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