



February Board of Directors Meeting

1. **Adoption of the Agenda**
2. **Approval** of the January Board of Directors Meeting Minutes (Appendix A)
3. **Approval** of the Finance Committee Meeting Minutes (Appendix B)
4. **Approval** of the Affiliation Committee Meeting Minutes (Appendix C)
5. **Approval** of the Academic Advocacy Committee Meeting Minutes (Appendix D)
6. **Approval** of the Policies and Structures Committee Meeting Minutes (Appendix E)
7. **Officer Reports**
 - a. President – Ernesto Diaz Lozano Patino (Appendix F)
 - b. VP Finance – Rachel Reding (Appendices G)
 - c. VP Communications – Reena Cabanilla (Appendix H)
 - d. VP Academic – Oghosa Igbinakenzua (Appendices I)
 - e. VP Student Life – Madeleine Santia (Appendices J)
8. **ELECTION** of the Design Team Association Project Manager (recommendation report in Appendix K)
9. **MOTION by Kirk Regan and Andrew Mwangi to hold Engineering Athletics Association (EAA) Elections with the timeline outlined in appendix L**

WHEREAS with the current timeline, EAA executives would not be elected until after S-dance

WHEREAS having the EAA executives elected before S-dance would be an ancillary benefit to the Engineering Athletic community because it would provide opportunity for new execs to transition and perform outreach

WHEREAS every year with the exception of the 1T5 year, EAA executives were elected before S-dance

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chief Returning Officer holds elections for EAA executives according to the timeline outlined in appendix L

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Chief Returning Officer merges



this election with the officer when writing his transition report

10. MOTION by Rachel Reding to increase the Engineering Society fee to account for cost of living

WHEREAS the Society's constitution and mandate allow for the membership fee to increase without referendum to reflect an increase in the cost-of-living, as determined by Government of Canada; and

WHEREAS the Government of Canada has set the Consumer Price Index increase at 1.6% for 2015

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Engineering Society requests that the University of Toronto increase the membership fee levied on its members by 1.6%, effective beginning in the Fall 2016 session.

11. MOTION by Rachel Reding to approve Levy Fund allocations

WHEREAS the undergraduate student levy voted three years ago to establish a levy fund whose purpose is to improve the undergraduate student experience; and

WHEREAS the Finance Committee believes these projects will improve the academic and extra-curricular experience of the student body and help our facilities to grow and develop; and

WHEREAS additional documentation and individual applications will be hosted online; and

WHEREAS the Vice-President Finance is now in the process of contacting departments to ensure these projects have not already been funded;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Engineering Society Board of Directors approves the disbursement of funds as indicated in Appendix M;

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

12. MOTION by Rachel Reding to approve the changes to the Operating Budget of the Engineering Society.

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

WHEREAS there is \$5000 leftover in the club funding pool that will not be



allocated otherwise; and

WHEREAS the Finance Committee has had several conference funding applications in the 2015-2016 academic year;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$5000 be moved from the club funding pool to conference funding

13. MOTION by Madeleine Santia to create the Mental Wellness Director.

WHEREAS over the past few months, since becoming a temporary directorship, steps have been taken to build a plan for upcoming years, run stress relief events geared towards mental wellness that promote services at the University of Toronto, and determine what students want to see in future events for the Mental Wellness portfolio as a Temporary Internal Director defined stated in bylaw 2, and;

WHEREAS this position has filled a need within the Society that is ongoing, and;

WHEREAS the goal of this portfolio is to raise mental health awareness and improve mental health in the Skule community

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following is added to Chapter 1 of Bylaw 2 the Directors Bylaw and the subsequent lines be re-numbered accordingly.

1.22 Mental Wellness Director

1.22.1 There shall be a Mental Wellness Director, who shall be responsible for:

- a) Raising mental health awareness by promoting services provided by affiliated Engineering Society groups, the Faculty and the University of Toronto;
- b) Improving mental health in the Skule community by providing stress relief activities to the members of the Engineering Society;

1.22.2 The Mental Wellness Director shall be overseen by the Vice-President of Student Life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Mental Wellness Director be included in the 2016 round of Project Director Nominations.

14. MOTION by Liz White and Trevor Gauthier to reinstate the National Engineering Month Director

WHEREAS this position existed in the past; and



WHEREAS the duties thereof were given to B&G this year; and

WHEREAS B&G cannot sustain the responsibilities of this position on top of their current portfolio

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following is added to Chapter 1 of Bylaw 2 the Directors Bylaw and the subsequent lines be re-numbered accordingly.

- 1.23 National Engineering Month (NEM) Director
 - 1.23.1 There shall be a National Engineering Month Director, who shall be responsible for:
 - a) Organizing NEM events in collaboration with other directorships and the ESSCO NEM director; and
 - b) Coordinating the construction of a badass Rube Goldberg machine that is better than that of all other ESSCO schools for the NEM CN tower lighting;
 - 1.23.2 The National Engineering Month Director shall be overseen by the Vice-President of Student Life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the National Engineering Month Director becomes a project directorship immediately to be elected with the 2016 round of Project Director Elections.

15. MOTION by Christopher Choquette to allow posters in the 2016 elections

WHEREAS currently campaigners are not allowed to use any posters or banners and amending the election rules would make a more controlled system for the elections committee to monitor.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the official 2016 Election Rules, 1.34 and 2.33, which currently read:

- a) Posters are not permitted

Be amended to read:

- a) Posters are limited to one (1) with outside dimensions 8.5" by 11"
- b) Posters shall follow University of Toronto guidelines for displayed advertisements. Inquire at the Society office for more information.
- c) Posters shall be stamped by the CRO; posters that are not stamped shall be removed immediately.
- d) Campaigns shall not leave banners for longer than one week after the election or referendum; else each poster will be fined \$1/0.65m2 each day.



- e) The poster shall be placed in a designated area outside of the Engineering Society's office

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the CRO set up a designated area for posters outside the Engineering Society office

16. MOTION by Madeleine Santia to accept the affiliation of new clubs within the Engineering Society

WHEREAS the Policy on Club Affiliation requires that Trial Status clubs within the Engineering Society apply and for Full Status Engineering Club designation after a 4 month period; and

WHEREAS this round of Trial to Full Status club affiliation was advertised to all Trial Status clubs; and

WHEREAS all applications were reviewed by the Affiliation Committee to determine eligibility and merit with respect to the Policy; and

WHEREAS only Trial to Full Status 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, February 2016 as presented in Appendix N be adopted.

17. SPECIAL MOTION by Reena Cabanilla to amend Bylaw 1, the Constitution

WHEREAS a motion was passed in December that allows Board Members to use audio conferencing to be counted as present; and

WHEREAS the specific phrasing of the bylaw was referred to the Policy and Structures Committee;

WHEREAS the Policy and Structures Committee has reviewed and revised Chapter 4 of Bylaw 1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the revised version of Bylaw 1 as presented in Appendix O be adopted.

18. SPECIAL MOTION by Reena Cabanilla to amend Bylaw 7, the Discipline Club Bylaw

WHEREAS the following resolution was passed in December:



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Policy and Structures Committee meet to discuss and define the roles of Class Representatives and these findings be reported at the February Board Meeting.

WHEREAS the Policy and Structures Committee has discussed the role of Class Representatives and how to define it

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the revised version of Bylaw 7 as presented in Appendix P be adopted.

- 19. DISCUSSION ITEM** on scheduling March and April meetings and the JCM
- 20. DISCUSSION ITEM** on the Policy on Open, Accessible and Democratic Autonomous Student Organizations
- 21. OTHER BUSINESS**
- 22. ADJOURNMENT**



Attendance

Officers		
President	Ernesto Diaz Lozano Patino	
VP Finance	Rachel Reding	T
VP Communication	Reena Cabanilla	
VP Academic	Oghosa Igbinakenzua	
VP Student Life	Madeleine Santia	
Directors of the Board		
At-Large	Kevin Rupasinghe	
At-Large	Ryan Gomes	
At-Large	Aidan Solala	
At-Large	John Sweeney	
Chemical Representative	Jason Tang	
Civil Representative	Peter Luo	
Computer Representative	Milan Maljkovic	
Electrical Representative	Andrew Boetto	
Engineering Science Representative	Apurv Bharadwaj	
Industrial Representative	Benjamin Leung	
Materials Science Representative	Amy Zhao	
Mechanical Representative	Robert Goldberg	
Mineral Representative	Ognjen Kelec	
First Year	Victoria Cheng	
First Year	Christopher Choquette	
First Year	Twesh Upadhyaya	
UTSU Representative	Benjamin Coleman	
Speaker (Non-Voting)	Billy Graydon	
Members of the Society (Non-Voting)		
EAA VP Admin	Kirk Regan	
EAA President	Andrew Mwangi	
Chief Returning Officer	Raffi Dergalstanian	

A – Absent; AwR – Absent with Regrets; P – Proxy; T – present via telecom