



October Board of Directors Meeting

Part II

1. **Adoption of the Agenda**
2. **Approval** of the Academic Advocacy Committee Meeting Minutes (Appendices A1-A2)
3. **Approval** of the Policies and Structures Committee Minutes (Appendix B)
4. **Approval** of the Affiliation Committee Minutes (Appendices C1-C2)
5. **Officer & Orientation Reports**
  - a. President – Ernesto Diaz Lozano Patino (Appendix D)
  - b. VP Finance – Rachel Reding (Appendix E)
  - c. VP Communications – Reena Cabanilla (Appendix F)
  - d. VP Academic – Oghosa Igbinakenzua (Appendix G)
  - e. VP Student Life – Madeleine Santia (Appendix H)

6. **MOTION by Raffi Dergalstania and Sanchit Mathur to call a General Meeting for the purpose of Officer Accountability and Recall**

**WHEREAS** to provide the Society members an opportunity to discuss the performance of the current council; and

**WHEREAS** pursuant to bylaw 2 (Project Directors):

o.1.7. A Project Director may only be recalled upon a two-thirds vote by:

- a. The Board of Directors of the Society;
- b. A General Meeting called for such purpose

and bylaw 3:

3.7. Recall

3.7.1. An Officer may only be recalled by a two-thirds vote at a General Meeting called for that purpose

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** an Accountability General Meeting called for November 26 2015 at 7pm in SF1105.

7. **MOTION by Ernesto Diaz Lozano to appoint three (3) undergraduate engineering students to the Skule Endowment Fund**



## Committee

**WHEREAS** the Skule Endowment Fund Committee's first meeting for the 2015-2016 Academic Year is on November 10; and

**WHEREAS** the constitution of the Skule Endowment Fund Committee outlines that the Committee shall comprise:

1. The Fund shall have a Committee, consisting of the following nine (9) Members:
  - a. The Vice President Finance of the Engineering Society, ex-officio, who will be the chair of the committee;
  - b. The President of the Engineering Society, ex-officio;
  - c. Three (3) undergraduate engineering students appointed by the Engineering Society Board of Directors;
  - d. The Dean of the Faculty, ex-officio;
  - e. The President of the Engineering Alumni Association or their designate, ex-officio;
  - f. The Finance and Budget Officer of the Faculty, ex-officio;
  - g. The Registrar of the Faculty, ex-officio;

and

**WHEREAS** the President and VP Finance have created and promoted an online application form for members of the society to apply for one of the three (3) undergraduate engineering students appointed by the Engineering positions; and

**WHEREAS** the President and VP Finance have reviewed the applications and provided a recommendation for appointment, which has been circulated to the members of the Board as Appendix I;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Board appoints three (3) undergraduate engineering students to the Skule Endowment Fund Committee.

### **8. MOTION by Rachel Reding 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; and

**WHEREAS** the Engineering Society and the University of Toronto Students' Union have entered an agreement whereby the Engineering Society will receive



50% of the University of Toronto Students' Union fees back for undergraduate engineering students;

WHEREAS this is estimated to be about \$40,000 for the 2015-2016 school year;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the club funding pool in the 2015-2016 Operating Budget be increased by \$25,000.

**9. Motion by Oghosa Igbinakenzua to reopen nominations for the Board of Directors seat on the Academic Advocacy Committee**

WHEREAS the Faculty Council and Faculty Council Standing Committees will be preparing for a variety of academic initiatives this year; and

WHEREAS the Representatives of the Engineering Society, as the unified voice of the student body, require guidance and direction from a committee of interested students in their representation to Faculty Council and its Standing Committees; and

WHEREAS initiatives such as an Engineering Society anti-calendar, mid-course evaluations, and continuous curriculum improvements require student input;

WHEREAS that the Academic Advocacy Committee should be composed of the VP Academic, three (3) members of the Board of Directors, and Three (3) Faculty of Engineering students; and one (1) representative from each discipline appointed by discipline club chairs

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors direct the Speaker to conduct the nominations and election process for the one (1) Board of Directors members of the Academic Advocacy Committee immediately.

**10. MOTION by Rachel Reding to create the Mental Wellness Directorship as a Temporary Internal Directorship.**

WHEREAS over the 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 terms, steps have been taken to raise mental health awareness and improve mental health in the Skule community by officers in the Engineering Society; and

WHEREAS the responsibility of taking on this initiative is not well-defined in a specific officer position, and;

WHEREAS the workload of such a position is substantial enough to fill a directorship position, 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 a temporary internal director position be created, with the oversight of the VP Student Life of the Engineering Society.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the responsibilities of the Mental Wellness Directorship include the following:

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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the applications for the position will be sent out within the next 5 business days;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the new Mental Wellness Director be elected at the November 2015 Board Meeting.

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

**WHEREAS** the Policy and Structures Committee has reviewed and revised Bylaw 7

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

**12. DISCUSSION ITEM: Winter Council Retreat**

**13. DISCUSSION ITEM: Security and Privacy Committee Report**

**14. OTHER BUSINESS**

**15. ADJOURNMENT**



## Attendance

<b>Officers</b>		
President	Ernesto Diaz Lozano Patino	
VP Finance	Rachel Reding	
VP Communication	Reena Cabanilla	
VP Academic	Oghosa Igbinakenzua	
VP Student Life	Madeleine Santia	
<b>Directors of the Board</b>		
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	
<b>Members of the Society (Non-Voting)</b>		

**A – Absent**

**AwR – Absent with Regrets**

**P – Proxy**