

Waterloo Engineering Society 'B'
Fall Meeting #3

Date: October 28, 2015

Location: CPH 3607

Chair: Clarisse Schneider

Secretary: Suzy Patchett

Attendance

Vote	Status	Vote	Status
1A Biomed	A	2B ECE 1	A
1A Civil	PV	2B ECE 2	A
1A Chem	PV	2B Env	A
1A ECE 1	PV	2B Geo	A
1A ECE 2	PV	2B Mech	A
1A ECE 3	PV	2B Tron	PV
1A Env/Geo	PV	2B Syde	A
1A Mgmt	PV	3B Civil	PV
1A Mech 4	PV	3B Chem	A
1A Mech 8	PV	3B ECE	PV
1A Tron 4	PV	3B Mgmt	PV
1A Tron 8	PV	3B Mech	PV
1A Nano	PV	3B Nano	A
1A Soft	A	3B Soft	PV
1A Syde	PV	4A Chem	PV
2A Biomed	A	4A Env	PV
2A Civil	PV	4A Geo	PV
2A Chem	A	4A Mech	A
2A ECE	PV	4A Tron	PV
2A Mgmt	PV	4A Nano	PV
2A Mech	A	4A Syde	PV
2A Tron	PV	Reduced CL	A
2A Nano	A	Executive	PV
2A Soft	A	Off-term Prez	PV
2B Chem	A		

Total Votes Present: 31

Welcome/Call to Order

Time: 5:37pm

Quorum established at 31/49 voting members present.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: APPROVAL OF FALL 2015 MEETING #2 MINUTES

Mover: Nano 2020

Second: Software 2017

Vote: 31 for, none against, Tron 2016 abstain

Motion passed

Approval of Engenda

MOTION: APPROVAL OF FALL 2015 MEETING # 3 ENGENDA

- Striking 5.1 from Engenda, waiting for more people to be present

Mover: Tron 2016

Second: Chem 2019

Vote: 31 for, none against, Tron 2016 abstain

Motion passed

Guest Speaker

New Student Building Info/Consult - Chris Lolas

- Building thought of for H lot failed because the fee was too much and location was bad, voted against
- in 2013 another idea was brought up in FEDs, been brought up again this term by Chris
- Originally was a student services building. Since blackberry office acquisition, we have had more space for admin so this building can be more student oriented

- building will connect PAC and SLC together. Goal is for all of athletics and student life to be part of one project/building
- Beside BMH green
- looking for feedback on what you want in the building
- There will be more dining space
- general recreation and social space
- great hall is frequently booked for events so this would be a better space for that
- PAC wants to move to a single point of entry, swiping watcard to get in
- Covered walkway to AHS, bridge to MC
- Q: When you say between SLC and PAC, you mean where the bike racks are?
A: Drawing on the board, see floorplan maybe?
- Q: What is the timeline on this?
A: Sometime in february there will be a vote aksing if students want to pay the fee (won't be in affect until building is open in several years)
- Q:We are voiting on whether or not future students pay this fee?
A: Yes
- The building will NOT go up if we don't pay the fee
- Q: Will it affect midterms or finals that are written in the PAC?
A: Noise wise I hope the university manages to organize this so it won't negatively affect students
- Q: How much green space in BMH will be taken?
A: Very little, but not much
- Q: Where will the bike racks be moved
A: They will be moved elsewhere, the university is current increasing bike racks so any that are lost will be replaced
- STUDENT FEEDBACK ABOUT COUNSELLING SERVICES ON CAMPUS
- Students generally have opinions but not really concrete data. We need to do surveys to get some concrete data to give to the university
- will meet with director of counselling services and director of campus wellness to arrange this
- Q: Based on past surveys you've sent out, how many people usually fill them out?
A: depends what we offer in return, high end is around 20 percent

Counselling Services - Kristine Meier

- Got approval to hire a fourth counsellor from November to April of 2016, for 2 days per week.
- There may be commitment from engineering to find a long term person, this is just an initial 8 month contract that could be long term
- Engineering counselling located in the first year engineering office
- Typically have a 2-3 week wait (can be longer)
- Might be able to email counsellors if needed to see earlier
- Have a cancellation list in engineering counselling so people who have an appointment far away in time can come in on cancellations
- The person to be hired will be a clinical workhorse, they will see 5 clients per day, all they will be doing is seeing clients, so 10 extra per week
- Trying to provide most current information but things may change
- We try to be short term, if you might require more than four sessions
- At central counselling they have people who are there with 2-3 free hour blocks where they are ready to see students for urgent things, we will try to do similar things with engineering
- At central, they give information and basic demographics, and will ask about how urgent the need is to see someone
- Encouraged to attend coping skills workshops, available throughout the term
- Workshops run through central counselling - social anxiety, managing depression, mind-body-run
- Can register online for these workshops
- In engineering there will be new initiatives, starting november 10th 12-1, there will be a lunch time environment to de stress. For Cassie and Kristine There will be healthy snacks, tea, soft music playing, yoga mats, opportunity to meet the counsellors. Not a counselling session (can't guarantee confidentiality) This will be running at least until next fall to gauge interest. Fiona will be running yoga practice and meditation. There will be more advertising closer to the week
- Open to student suggestions about what will help you
- Counselling services is also available in the new health services building
- if feedback is specific to engineering counselling, make sure to specify that it is

- We will ask about timeliness of appointments. Make sure to rate something poorly on the survey if you are upset with it (don't give a 4 if you think appointments aren't easy enough to get)
- in terms of training, all counsellors have a master's degree in counselling or something related (eg social work)
- In engineering promotion rules and some other things are done differently in engineering. Need counsellors aware of program specific stuff
- Engineering counsellors are voting members of the promotions committee - if you fail a term and need to petition, the counsellors will be part of the voting committee on this
- Q: How much will wait time change with another counsellor?
A: We don't have this answer yet, we will have to wait to see how the new person is
- Q: Has the new person been hired yet?
A: The person is already on contract in central counselling, we will be taking 1 day per week from two different contract counsellors, Lindsay and Anna.
- If you need off campus resources you can contact those who work for engineering counselling
- Q: Will new people be sent to these counsellors on the assumption they have short term problems?
A: If they do not ask specifically for one of the other counsellors, they will be assigned to one of the new counsellors

New Business

Societies Agreement Approval (Appendix A)

Mover Comments

Leila was old EngSoc president, she made a lot of changes to the Societies Agreement. We now have more of a schedule and more of a time-line to receive funding from FEDS, 40 percent of fees must come by a certain time, 60 percent are more gradual.

Secunder Comments

None

Comments

- Improves fees relationships with EngSoc
- Q: if it hasn't been already signed when will it be?
A: we have a meeting next week, hopefully then

MOTION: APPENDIX A

Mover: Executive

Seconded: Off term exec

Vote: 31 for, 0 against, Tron 2016 abstains

Motion passed

Midterm Actuals Update

- Feds has given us 40 percent of our student fees so far
- Office sales on point for the term
- Income is on track for what is expected
- Expenses are all at 0 for now. we get billed once our money comes in,
- Next week all our fees will come in and we will pay our expenses
- Q: Why are we paying for cable?
A: In the past we have paid to get a show or two in POETS, we will be talking about potentially getting rid of cable, instead replacing the TV in POETS
- BOX is like Google drive, we are planning to keep it. there might be cheaper options to discuss
- Exec discretionary, some spent on things that haven't been budgeted for before
- come trick or treating Friday in poets
- Directors have been reimbursed for events
- Santa clause parade unfortunately will not be happening so that money will not be spent
- Career fair is green because that money comes in, employers pay fees to show up to the career fair
- Currently a surplus because we haven't paid for everything yet but that is temporary

80 Grit (Appendix B)

Mover Comments

Friendly amendment: When any representatives speak on behalf of a motion they also have to speak on a joke

Seconded Comments

None

Comments

MOTION: APPENDIX B

Mover: Tron 2016

Seconded: Tron 2018

Vote: 13 for, 9 abstain, 12 opposed

Motion fails

Engineering Jobmine Directory

- New initiative, last week meeting with cooperative student council
- pharmacy has a list of all previous jobmine positions and all students who have previously been offered this job and their email addresses
- In pharmacy it's on a google spreadsheet so we would have other options to
- It should be opt in?
A: Yes it is voluntary
- Q: How would we verify this or would we?
A: We would do a form on a website, and it would be regulated by a student who checks the form, but it couldn't be checked about private things
- How will this be promoted to students
A: Via social media and class reps, people not involved in engsoc might not know about this but it will take a few terms to get sorted out
- Q: What will happen to old waterloo email addresses? old entries won't be accessible
- Q: Will the list be accessible after you've been matched with a job?
A: It will be accessible to anyone
- Q: will this be adjunct to jobmine?
A: It will be part of the engsoc website
- Q: We are dropping jobmine soon will this be accessible to waterlooworks?
A: Earliest launch date is winter 2017, so we still have time to go through this
- on WaterlooWorks there will be a rate my work term feature which will take a few terms to be implemented
- Q: Will it be possible to be mandatory?
A: We only want students who would like to be contacted on the form
- Q: will this be brought up with co-op at all?
A: This will be discussed.
- There are concerns with confidentiality and such

- Q: Will this be done through CAS to prevent spam bots?
A: It will be similar to exam bank
- Comment: It is a good idea but this can definitely lead to harassment. it would be need to run with a more official login, or going through jobmine or something, there are people who would abuse this system. Partner with CECA for this
- Q: Will the contact list be available prior to applying so that students can look up informatin before applying to a job?
A: This list would be a student run thing
- Anonymous might be better than having people's actual contact information online, EngSoc could police unprofessional feedback

An Unparalleled Level of Confusion (Appendix C)

Mover Comments

The jokes won't interfere with the minutes.

Friendly amendment to change class rep name from Isabel to Chris

Secunder Comments

None

Comments

- Amendment: Motion that they have to tell a joke as well.
 - **Mover:** Tron 2016
 - **Secunder:** Env 2020
 - **Vote:** 7 for, 19 against, 6 abstaining
 - *Motion Fails*
- Q: Why is this not a point of personal privilege
A: because this will also be changed in the minutes.
- Actually will be ECE 2020 1, ECE 2020 2, ECE 2020 3

MOTION: APPENDIX C

Mover: ECE 2020 1

Secunder: ECE 2020 2

Thirder: ECE 2020 3

Vote: 28 for, 2 opposed, 1 abstain

Motion passed

Business Arising

P & P Nominations Round 2

- Most prestigious award given out by EngSoc. If you nominate someone you must give a presentation
- Nominations
 - Melissa Ferguson again

Executive Updates

President - Hannah Gautreau (president.b@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- Dean Pearl Sullivan will be going on leave starting soon. This information wasn't withheld it was very sudden, she will be back after 6 months
- Current acting Dean will be another professor from Civil
- Anson brought up an initiative that she wants to work on
- Exec wants to get more input on initiatives of if students like the ideas
- E7 groundbreaking will be happening soon, Hannah will be giving an interview about this
- Q: B soc voted against referendum? you won't be mentioning students in engsoc ?
A: I have an obligation to speak on behalf of students, and students voted against it, so I will be speaking only for EngSoc not on the students behalf.
- Students voted against the referendum because they did not want to pay the \$15 fee for students making a donation. Vote because it was for future students, an opt out instead of an opt in, didn't see benefit for their own program
- Referendum was on whether we wanted to pay for it, not on whether we wanted the building to happen
- A soc voted yes for this unlike B soc
- if the referendum had passed, when the doors to the building opened, there would also be an E7 fee. There would also be naming rights,
- Now that this money isn't coming in, what isn't being included in E7 that would have otherwise? Nothing, it would have only been a million dollars, more symbolic than actually about the money
- One of the biggest problems with E7 is many programs aren't getting anything out of this, each person will benefit even those who don't get space directly in E7. for

example, management will get the space from the old deans office when the dean moves to E7

- Undergraduate senate meeting a week ago - all course calendars will be changed to have inclusive language - no his or her, just their. Not changing the layout or anything
- NExt meeting there will be a lot of feedback sessions. show up and give opinions
- next week we will be asking you if there was an ATM in engineering where should it be?
- point of clarification: would it be CIBC again? yes, CIBC has a monopoly on Canadian universities and no other banks are allowed to put in ATMS
- There will now be a 3 day orientation week for sure. Nothing we can do about it
- Friendship bench in CPH courtyard. Grand unveiling is soon
- Mental health awareness: got 108 photos for the thing
- Business cards in the orfice for sale
- SSO updates will happen again

VP Education - Anson Chen (vpeducation.b@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- Career fair is next Thursday from 11 to 3 in e5 student design center
- looking for volunteers to help out throughout the day. bit.ly/EngFair-Student or bit.ly/EngFairVolunteer
- New submission email for exam bank is now live
- prize draws will be happening every month for those who submit exams
- Prize next is two cineplex movie tickets
- EngSoc teaching award is now accepting nominations for outstanding educators. link has been sent out to every stunted by Robyn
- meeting with reps from watpd, if you have any feedback come talk to Anson
- Are there any plans to improve functionality of current exam bank to previous exam bank?
a: things have changed since previous exam bank, everything is submitted as a post now instead of tables
- any way to make the exam bank such that you can type in linear algebra and get linear algebra rather than the course code? probably just search your course code
- Q: If two people submit the same exam will they both get entered in the draw?
A: Yes

- Q: Back to the search thing, why can't we just have something that works with regular expressions?
A: Tech savvy exec might help to deal with that

VP Finance - Don Tu (vpfinance.b@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- We will be getting money from feds next Wednesday
- Sponsorship proposals are due Monday send them in, meeting Sunday Nov 8
- ECIF is happening soon BoD will be allocating monies
- Coverall day and ordering went really well, updates to come
- Novelties will be having a patch sale, patches will be on for 2.50

VP Internal - Teresa Lumini (vpinternal.b@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- absent- exam
- Event tonight called lets talk mental health for mental health awareness open atmosphere to talk about stuff, right after this meeting in poets
- TalEng is on Tuesday sign up to perform, free food for performers. happening at Wilf's
- Halloween movie marathon in poets on Friday
- Coffee house at the end of the term will most likely be licensed
- Will still be all ages

VP External - Kieran Broekhoven (vpexternal.b@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- Student Energy Conference is being hosted at Waterloo 2 weekends from now, conference for the oil and gas industry. There will be cupcakes and drinks. Peter Douglas will be speaking
- OSPE is having a competition for the school that has the most students sign up for ospe, 750 to EngSoc of the school with highest per capita
- No applicants from Waterloo, Conestoga, or Guelph for a grand river scholarship. Apply for it.
- Engineering congress, happening in Calgary , January 3rd to 9th. We will pay delegate fees. 2 delegates from A soc and 2 from B soc
- Q: How would one go about organizing into your co-op term
A: Talk to your employer

Affiliate Reports

WEEF - Wesley Sak (weef@uwaterloo.ca)

- absent

Iron Warrior - Meagan Cardno (theironwarrior@gmail.com)

- absent

Senate - Pallavi Hukerikar (pallavi.hukerikar@uwaterloo.ca)

- One big thing to say: Fall reading break motion was passed, starting next year and for the next 3 year there will be a fall reading break. Classes in fall will now be starting on the Thursday after reading week
- This is for 3 years, if you're around in 3 years and still don't like it, bring it up then
- it was decided we would take the days out of orientation week rather than adding sunday exams because it was easier
- is it confirmed that we will not have extra homework on this break? yes, professors will not be able to assign homework on this break
- as a student if you feel like this isn't being met, bring up and report them somehow
- feds doesn't give a shit about engineering students nothing is new
- Q: why is this a 3 year period to try it out?
A: they felt 3 would be enough to gather this data
- Q: what data are they going to gather in 3 years?
A: it will be a mental health related survey
- could they factor in feedback they get from orientation week

Feds Councillors - Noah Bezaire (nebezaire@gmail.com)

- students do not often think about sustainability in the city, city is trying to keep students in the city post grad to raise families
- plantOPS launched an app to track safety hazards on campus to help improve campus
- tomorrow is annual general meeting at 5 pm, we need lots of engineering students there, please show up
- town hall right after annual general meeting tomorrow

Engineers Without Borders - Nicole Swett (nswett@uwaterloo.ca)

- halloween is this saturday, EWB is partnering with someone and doing Trick Or Eat to collect non-perishable food for the food bank, awareness raising campaign for the food bank
- trying to get a speaker for a conference on diversity in engineering, talking about water infrastructure in aboriginal communities, will be streaming if you can't make it out
- come out to general ewb meetings as well

EngCoc - Bencola Gautrennip (engfoc@uwaterloo.ca)

- Currently hiring next years FOC. No information on how orientation week will be affected until winter leader retreat likely

GradComm - Sofaci Adamberger (gradcomm2016@uwaterloo.ca)

- Next Tuesday there will be a gradcomm info session in poets at 5pm
- event next Friday

Varia

How many days, 4th years?

100 days til IRS!

Adjournment of Meeting

Time: 7:25pm

MOTION: ADJOURN FALL 2015 MEETING #3

Mover: Tron 2020

Second: Tron 2018

Vote: Unanimous Yes

Motion passed

Appendix A

Title: Societies Agreement Approval - EngSoc Loves Friends

Mover: Executive

Second:

Spirit: To provide preliminary approval for the President to sign the Societies Agreement

Whereas: The Societies Agreement has been re-written

**And
Whereas:** All Society presidents must sign the Societies Agreement for it to come into effect

BIRT: Council approve the on-term President to sign the agreement with the same spirit as the one presented

Appendix B

Title: 80 Grit: That Stuff's Rough

Mover: Tron 16

Second: Tron 15

Spirit: Not very much, pretty apathetic to be honest... (pause for dramatic effect)

Whereas: It is hard to capture the interest and focus of our beloved patrons as the meeting endures.

**And
Whereas:** If you do do your duty, meetings will improve. Haha, you said doodoo; haha you said duty.

BIRT: Each exec will tell a joke at the beginning of their executive update.

BIFRT: The speaker will tell a joke when introducing the executive updates.

Appendix C

Title: An Unparalleled Level of Confusion Impeding on the High Voltage of Our Otherwise Linear System

Mover: ECE 2020 – 1/4? (Ian and Josh)

Second: ECE 2020 - 2/4? (Isabelle and Theresa)

Thirder: ECE 2020 – 3/8? (Henry and Steven)

Spirit: To successfully resolve the naming conflicts and confusion of the three first-year ECE lecture groups.

Whereas: The lecture group structure for first year ECE students have been migrated from a stream-based cohort group to one of mixed streams.

**And
Whereas:** A series of unfortunate events created disrupting currents in the previous EngSoc meetings, making the actually supplied power to the society more difficult for the first-year ECE classes due to the poorly designed naming scheme.

**And
Whereas:** The aforementioned classes deserve a naming scheme more reflective of their badassery and narcissistic tendencies.

BIRT: The class represented by Josh and Ian shall be henceforth officially known as

“The Real ECE 2020”, and noted in minutes and roll call as ECE 1.

BIFRT: The class represented by Steven and Henry shall be henceforth officially known as “The Best ECE 2020”, and noted in minutes and roll call as ECE 2.

BIFFRT: The class represented by Theresa and Isabelle shall be henceforth officially known as “The True ECE 2020”, and noted in minutes and roll call as ECE 3.

BIFFFRT: Should the classes be mistakenly referred to by the wrong name, the offended class will be given the right to promptly tell a really bad joke, at their own discretion.