

Guelph Engineering Society Meeting Minutes

Week 10, March 19th, 2018

Position	Name	Present (Y/N)	Position	Name	Present (Y/N)
President	Valerie Bauman	Y	Athletics Officer	Eric Macdonald	Y
Faculty	Matt Demers	L	Charity Officer(s)	Courtney Steingart Annie Krueger	Y Y
Chair	Andrew Gunter	Y	Arts Officer(s)	Talha Tariq Rebecca Bar	Y Y
VP External	Matthew Curtis	Y	O'Snap Officer	Catherine Dang	Y
VP Internal	Matt Saunders	Y	Merchandise Officer	Trevor Smith	Y
VP Finance	Stephanie Kotiadis	Y	Office Manager	Katherine Rog	L
VP Social(s)	Ciaran Buckley Stephanie Walton	Y L	First Year Representatives	Thomas Coulson Dominique Mastronardi	Y N
VP Academic	Betty Zhao	N	Second Year Representatives	Sophia Vlahos Abdullah Al Hayali	Y L
VP Student Life	Sarah Rozon	Y	Third Year Representatives	Amanda Nason Brennan Jay Kaitlyn Richard	Y Y Y
			Fourth Year Representatives	Deanna Kerekes Haley Birrell Tiana Mistry Kevin Stewart	Y Y Y Y
Professional Development	Loreta Chan	N	Secretary	Brienne Nelson	Y
Communications Officer	Alicia Schmidt	Y	FYEC	Hugh Peters	Y



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Agenda Details

Motion to Pass Last Week's Meeting Minutes

Owner- Val Bauman

Secunder- Hugh Peters

Against- 0

Abstain- 2

For- 24

Motion passes

1. Valerie Bauman (President)

1.1 Members Absent with Regrets

- Betty Zhao, Dom Mastronardi, Loreta Chan, Steph Walton (Late)

1.2 Robotics Lab (Dr. Moussa)

- Enso different universities that they are interested in
- has to be automotive and focus on teaching, no research
- want to benefit the whole school of engineering
- robotics is a popular elective
- only elective course offered twice a year
- 9 robots right now, 3 are old
- one objective of lab is have robots that are used in industry
- would like to place 2 Enso made robots for them to have recognition
- costs around 25 000 USD
- replace two of ours with two of them
- needs a lot of computing power
- \$15 000-12 000 depending on server
- also used for internet modeling
- total cost might push \$75-80 000
- want from engsoc: to participate, endorse this, put money into this
- take this and go to director, say the students are behind this with support and cash, then school will also come along

Matt Saunders: For HPC, how do we ensure undergrads can get time on it and it will not just be going to grad students or professors? → Accessibility will have to be worked out so only undergrad students can use it. Graham Taylor has a similar cluster and knows how to manage it. It is definitely possible to limit to undergrad students.

Matt Saunders: Only dabbled in HPC, know it is usable for FEA. How would we teach students?

What would job scheduling look like? How do we get code on computer? → Do not have an answer, but it is something we will have to build in. Cannot let students learn by themselves, could be a user

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guide. Not doing anything massively new, just copying from what is used nationally.

Kevin Stewart: With 50 000 USD coming from Denso, is there a specific amount they are asking from engsoc? → Asking 15 000 CAD from engsoc and 15 000 CAD from school of engineering.

Steph Walton: Do we have that kind of room in our budget? → Would come from lab fund.

Kaitlyn Richards: Would it be situated in the current robotics lab? → Yes, in RICH 2504.

Sarah Rozon: Would like to benefit students across the board... How would it effect water, enviro? → Will have to be attached to a teaching lab. Will serve a lot of students but not every student.

Maybe in 41X. Main thing is that it is not specific to one discipline.

Kevin Stewart: There is definitely certain things that we have to fund that will not benefit everyone.

Steph Kotiadis: If it is going into robotics lab, where will the computers go? → Maintained by IT, so would have to talk to Joel about where he would put them.

Hugh Peters: Looking at restricted electives, ES&C have two engineering courses and one CIS course. How do we guarantee it will be for engineering students only? → Today, we limit access to IT infrastructure to only engineering students, it would be the same. High end HPC; if you want to use it, have to go through training course to use it.

Alicia Schmidt: Does computer science have anything similar? → Today we could sign you off if you wanted to use it, but takes a long time to get the job to run. Trying to have small facility only for engineering students so there is a faster response time.

Hugh Peters: What training course? → Could be something available online, tutorial given by graduate student, etc. Same with safety course for robotics course.

- when would I know the decision of the council?

Matt Saunders: Will not be the decision of the council, since from lab fund has to be for entire student body. Will propose motion Wednesday at AGM and know after that.

- there is no room in this semester's budget

- something like this could open at AGM

- if we were to have an emergency lab fund, anyone could ask for money from lab fund

Steph Walton: @Matt Saunders, What kind of space do we have in lab fund? → We have the money to pay for it right now, because we didn't touch any of the interest.

Matt Demers: He is asking for student money for something that he is trying to build a case for to benefit student engineering. If it is necessary, why isn't school of engineering doing it?

Kaitlyn Richards: Why would the students be paying same as school of engineering?

Matt Saunders: He is coming as representative of the school of engineering. Program director for ES&C. This is kind of what lab fund was made for. Trying to improve quality of education and improve status in broader community. As far as us paying for a part of it, don't see a problem. This has been a common thing that schools do. Waterloo's lab fund built a building.

Val Bauman: He is coming to us wanting us to endorse it. Wants to have the money to say students want this, you should fund it.

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- come to AGM and vote on it

Matt Saunders: Because of lab fund increase, have more money available as well.

1.3 Focus Group Recap

- gave an overview of what is happening from here
- every kind of group in the school will be participating in similar focus group
- identifying issues that can be addressed and coming up with action plan
- not happening this year, things for next year

2. Sarah Rozon (VP Student Affairs)

2.1 Club Budget Amendments

- any time a club makes a change to what they're asking money for, bring it to council and get it approved

- 2 clubs approached with budget amendments so that they can get reimbursed

Val Bauman: Changing or reallocating? → Can be either.

Motion to approve amended WiSE budget

Owner- Sarah Rozon

Secunder- Steph Walton

Abstain: 1

Against: 0

For: 12

Motion passes

Motion to approve amended EngiQueers budget

Ciaran: Money for advertising, $0.2 \times 100 = 30?$ → Changed to 20.

Owner- Sarah Rozon

Secunder- Steph Walton

Kaitlyn Richards: Did we agree that prizes are constitutional or unconstitutional?

Steph Walton: I think we said that prize is built in, but gift for a speaker is not.

Steph Kotiadis: Voted no for robotics club t-shirts, what about the patches for EngiQueers? → Not keeping within the club, selling them to start initiative.

Hugh Peters: According to week 3 meeting minutes, prizes are constitutional.

Matt Saunders: We make other clubs pay for their own things that they're going to sell.

Steph Kotiadis: Can ask for money for things they're selling to help fund club through CPES.

Val Bauman: Constitutionally speaking, nothing is wrong here.

Matt Saunders: Week 3 meeting minutes: decided it is not constitutional to pay for prizes.

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Motion to amend to remove prizes (\$50) from the budget

Owner- Matt Saunders

Secunder- Steph Kotiadis

Abstain: 1

Against: 7

For: 5

Motion to amend does not pass

Abstain: 1

Against: 3 (Note: Matt Saunders is against)

For: 9

Motion passes

Matt Demers: We need to make some very clear rules as to what is constitutional and what is not for the sake of club owners as well.

3. Matthew Saunders (VP Internal)

3.1 Year Rep Election Ratification

3.2 SAGM Reminders

- **Wednesday, March 21 @ 6:00PM**

- if you are VP, work on slide

- if not, work with VP

Val Bauman: Instead of going up and talking about what we're doing individually, do as a team.

Val Bauman: Agenda to be released? → Hoping to have ready before mass email tonight, may have to delay mass email.

3.3 Officer Positions

- delayed to allow people not elected as year rep to come forward

- nomination forms available at engsoc office until Friday

- interview is next week at Monday meeting

Val Bauman: Please come out next week, if you cannot make it tell me personally why.

4. Matthew Curtis (VP External)

4.1 CFES Update

- was advocating on behalf of survey released by CFES

- questions on mental health, co-op happiness, language electives

- VP academic released document sharing results and made it possible to apply and get school's personal information

- Val and the dean have applied for information

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- will share on engsoc Facebook page to explain methodologies, what was asked and what results were

4.2 ESSCO Hockey Tournament

- 15 competed in ESSCO with 12 schools at Carlton
- came second to Mac
- had 2 members who said it was awesome event and running for athletics officer on ESCO to bring tournament to Guelph next year

4.3 BEST Courses

- with partnership, courses available

Deanna Kerekes: Went to Greece through BEST. I paid for flight and 50 euros. So much fun, met so many people. Had 4-6 hours of classes a day, any questions ask me. Highly recommend.

5. **Stephanie Walton & Ciaran Buckley (VP Social)**

5.1 Banquet DJ

- contacted a couple
- waiting for Trappers DJ to answer him about his schedule

5.2 Photo Booth

- contacted and have quote, will get confirmation later tonight
- same people as last year
- will print off as many people as there are in pic instead of just 2 copies
- hall is booked
- tickets are in, sheet on the drive for ticket sales
- write the number on the back of the ticket
- banquet volunteers, great amount
- could use more help with clean up
- more POs than needed

6. **Talha Bin Tariq & Rebecca Bar (Arts Officers)**

6.1 Arts Officer Update / Coffee House

- coffee house was successful
- thank you Kevin for informing us that the location was double booked
- room capacity was 120, had way more people
- location changed to ROZH 102
- did not run out of coffee or hot chocolate

Cheers and Gears

- Saturday
- ticket sales are going well

Val Bauman: Will there be tickets sold at the door? → If we do not sell out there will be some at the

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door.

Matt Demers: Why would you sell out? → Erika said they have 200 tickets

7. Courtney Steingart & Anne Krueger (Charity Officers)

7.1 College Royal Recap

- this past weekend
- about 500 kids through the egg drop each day
- great volunteers
- handful of engineering clubs doing different events throughout THRN

Val Bauman: A bunch of eggs left in office, food bank? → Yes, one on campus takes perishables so they will be dropped off.

7.2 NEM Recap

- national engineering month
- speakers did amazing job
- thanks for helping out
- adding 50/50 draw to banquet with NGO in Africa to add a charity event? → thumbs up

8. Katherine Rog (Office Manager)

8.1 Paper Thieves

- stop stealing paper
- engsoc related things fine

Parking Lot

Lab Fund Stickers

Motion to add \$75 to VP internal budget to purchase lab fund equipment to label equipment

Owner- Matt Saunders

Secunder- Deanna Kerekes

Steph Kotiadis: Note: we will have higher expense than revenue.

Val Bauman: To put on things purchased? → Yes.

Abstain: 1

Against: 0

For: 10

Motion passes

Class of the Ass

- trophy award at banquet every year, to whichever graduating class that participates the least
- class last year won it every year for 4 years straight

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Nominations?

Ciaran Buckley: 3rd year, second Matt Curtis

Steph Walton: First years, second Matt Saunders

2021 and 2019

Matt Saunders: Personally in favour of 2019 because they have 2 have unfilled year rep positions for next year.

Class of 2019

For: unanimous

Class of the ass is class of 2019

Motion to adjourn

Owner- Ciaran Buckley

Secunder- Hugh Peters

Title:	Motion to Disqualify Candidate from 3rd Year Mechanical Representative Election
Mover:	Matthew Saunders
Secunder:	Ciaran Buckley
Spirit:	To maintain the integrity of our elections, we should disqualify any candidate caught cheating or breaking the rules of etiquette.
Whereas:	An election for year representative candidates occurred on March 14 and 15, 2018, using the Gryphlife system,
And Whereas:	The results from this election have been provided from Gryphlife,
And Whereas:	Some irregularities occurred during the election, in which a candidate deviated from the standard rules of etiquette and also campaigned during the election period, by encouraging students outside of his program to vote,
And Whereas:	The Society has the discretion to disqualify any candidate per its Constitution, Article V, Clause 8, by choosing not to ratify an election result.
BIRT:	The Society shall disqualify the candidate Sharif Abdel-Rehim as a candidate in the W2018 3rd Year Mechanical Representative election.
BIFRT:	
Result:	
Discussion:	<p>Hugh Peters: Was there anyone running against him and do we have election results? → Yes, 3 running against and yes we have results.</p> <p>Kevin Stewart: Are you able to disclose the winner of the election? → Sharif would have won and Noah Montag would have placed second.</p> <p>Abstain: 3 Against: 0 For: 23 Motion passes</p>

Title:	Motion to Ratify the W2018 Year Rep Election Results
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Mover:	Matthew Saunders
Seconder:	Ciaran Buckley
Spirit:	EngSoc must confirm an incoming council for the 2018-2019 school year.
Whereas:	An election for year representative candidates occurred on March 14 and 15, 2018, using the Gryphlife system,
And Whereas:	The results from this election have been provided from Gryphlife,
BIRT:	<p>The Society shall adopt the following election results:</p> <p>2nd Year Rep: Fabio Sedki, Hugh D'Addario</p> <p>3rd Year Biological/Biomedical Rep: Sophia Vlahos</p> <p>3rd Year Computer/ES&C Rep: <i>None / Vacant</i></p> <p>3rd Year Environmental/Water Rep: Brie Nelson (F) / Hugh Macdonald (W)</p> <p>3rd Year Mechanical Rep: Noah Montag</p> <p>4th Year Biological/Biomedical Rep: <i>None / Vacant</i></p> <p>4th Year Computer/ES&C Rep: Fares Issa</p> <p>4th Year Environmental/Water Rep: Maggie Jasek (F) / Emmanuelle Caws (W)</p> <p>4th Year Mechanical Rep: <i>None / Vacant</i></p>
BIFRT:	
Result:	

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<p>Discussion:</p>	<p>- these results adopt second place 3rd year mechanical rep as the winner - the other option is to run a new election Steph Walton: Would Sharif be able to run? → No. Trevor Smith: I am friends with both people, I feel like there were a fair amount who voted for Sharif because he was pushing them to. Don't think this is a fair representation and we should re-run the election. Val Bauman: I don't know either people, but fear that re-running it might confuse students and disengage students. Think we should ratify as is. Trevor Smith: Won't we still have to re-run other ones without any candidates anyway? → Constitutionally we have to re-run those elections in the fall, this one would have to be now. Hugh Peters: When would that put elections for officer elections? → The same. Steph Walton: Why can't we do them all at once? Kevin Stewart: Will the fact that he was disqualified be made known to anyone? → Anyone who reads the minutes.</p> <p>Motion to amend the motion to remove the ratification of 3rd year mechanical rep. Be it further resolved that we run a by-election for that next week Owner- Matt Saunders Secunder- Trevor Smith Abstain: 3 Against: 8 For: 14 Motion passes</p> <p>Motion to amend the amended motion by adding Steph Kotiadis as the chief electoral officer Owner- Matt Saunders Secunder- Steph Walton Abstain: 3 Against: 0 For: 21 Motion passes</p> <p>Abstain: 1 Against: 2 For: 22 Motion passes</p>
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