Waterloo Engineering A-Society Fall 2016 Meeting #4

Date: Wednesday, Nov. 16th, 2016

Location: CPH 3607

Chair: Jared Jour

Secretary: Jenny Ma

I. Attendance:

2021		2020		2019		2018/2017		Other	
1A BME	AB	TRON	AB	CHEM	Р	'18 CIVIL	AB	Executive	Р
1A CIVIL	Р	MECH	Р	ECE 1	AB	'18 CHEM	AB	Off-Term	Р
1A CHEM	Р	ECE	Р	ECE 2	AB	'18 ECE	AB	President	
1A ECE 1	Р	CHEM	Р	ENV	AB	'18 MGMT	Р		
1A ECE 2	AB	MGMT	Р	GEO	AB	'18 MECH	Р		
1A ECE 3	Р	CIVIL	Р	MECH	Р	'18 NANO	Р		
1A ENV/GEO	AB	BME	Р	TRON	Р	'18 SOFT	Р		
1A MGMT	Р	NANO	AB	SYDE	Р	'17 CHEM	Р		
1A MECH 8	Р	SOFT	Р			'17 NANO	Р		
1A TRON 4	AB					'17 ENV	AB		
1A TRON 8	Р					'17 GEO	AB		
1A NANO	Р					'17 MECH	Р		
1A SOFT	Р					'17 TRON	Р		
1A SYDE	AB					'17 SYDE	Р		

Total Votes Available: 48

Total Votes Present: 35

1.0 Welcome/Call to Order

Time: 5:42 PM

Quorum established at 35/48 voting members present.

2.0 Approval of Engenda

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Motion	Approval of Fall 2016 Meeting #3 Engenda					
Mover:	EXEC					
Seconder:	NANO 2017					
	Amendment	Include Ratification of VP Election Results				
	Mover SOFT 2018					
	Seconder MECH 2018 Stream 8					
		Motion Passes				
	Amendment	7.1 and 7.3 to be Withdrawn				
	Mover	TRON				
	Seconder	MECH 2018 Stream 8				
		Motion Passes				
Result:	Motion Passes					

3.0 Approval of Minutes

Motion	Approval of Fall 2016 Meeting #3 Minutes			
	Motion	Table until Meeting #5		
	Mover	CHEM 2021		
	Seconder SOFT 2021			
	Result Motion Passes			
Mover:				
Seconder:				
Result:	Motion Tabled			

4.0. Constitutional Amendments

4.1 Interpretations of the Constitution

Motion	Interpretations of the Constitution		
	The Interpretation section of the Constitution should be as clear as		
	possible. Some terms are improperly defined, and some terms that		
	hould be included are missing.		
	1) Bylaw 1 – Constitution, Chapter I: General, Section B:		
	Interpretations be amended as follows:		
	2) <u>Section B: Interpretation</u>		
	1. In this document:		
	a. "Members" shall mean members of the Society, as		
	specified in Chapter II,;		

- "Constituencies" shall mean the divisions of the student body, defined by intended year of graduation, discipline and class where applicable, according to the University of Waterloo Faculty of Engineering;
- c. "Class Representatives" shall mean those members elected to represent their Constituency to Council;
- d. "Directors" shall mean <u>voting</u> members of the Board of Directors <u>including the Society Presidents</u>, as specified in Chapter V;
- e. <u>"Board" shall mean the Board of Directors, as specified in</u> Chapter V;
- f. "Executive Officers" shall mean the President and all Vice-Presidents of the Society, as specified in Chapter IV;
- g. "Faculty" shall mean the Faculty of Engineering of the University of Waterloo;
- "Signing Executive Officer" shall mean a person who has the right to authorize financial transactions on behalf of the Society;
- "Candidate Pair" shall refer to two members running for one Executive Officer position;
- j. "Recall" shall mean a process by which a position holder of the Society may be removed from their position without their consent;
- k. "Resolution" shall mean a motion approved by a majority vote;
- I. "Special Resolution" shall mean a motion presented as such, and approved by a two thirds vote;
- m. "Referendum" shall mean a direct vote in which voting On-Term Members of the Society are asked to accept, reject, or divide between a particular proposal(s);
- n. "Joint Referendum" shall mean a referendum held for each of the A-Society Members and B-Society Members;
- o. "Spring Term" shall refer to the months of May, June, July and August;
- p. "Winter Term" shall refer to the months of January, February, March, and April;
- q. "Fall term" shall refer to the months of September, October, November, and December
- r. "Academic Term" shall refer to a Winter Term, Spring Term, or a Fall Term
- s. "A-Society Academic Term" shall refer to:
 - i. A Spring Term during odd numbered years, or
 - ii. A Winter Term during even numbered years, or
 - iii. A Fall Term during even numbered years; and
- t. "B-Society Academic Term" shall refer to:
 - i. A Spring Term during even numbered years, or
 - ii. A Winter Term during odd numbered years, or
 - iii. A Fall Term during odd numbered years; and

	2. All other v	2. All other words shall carry their common dictionary definition			
Mover:	NANO 2017	NANO 2017			
Seconder:	CHEM 2021	CHEM 2021			
Comment	parties?	Q: Can speaking members give their speaking rights to non-speaking parties? A: This is not explicitly stated in the Constitution.			
	Motion Mover				
	Seconder	MECH 2018			
	Result	The motion should be amended to allow business managers and the VP Finance to speak			
	Nesuit	Amendment passes			
	F	or:	Against:	Abstain:	
Result:	Tabled				

4.2 Who's the Speaker?

Motion	Who's the Speaker?
	 The Constitution should be clear on who can and who can't be Speaker at General meetings. The Constitution states that only the current Speaker of Council can be Speaker at General meetings The Constitution should state that any Member appointed by the On-Term President or the current Speaker of Council can be Speaker at General Meetings should they be ratified at the General Meeting
	Bylaw I – Constitution, Chapter III: General Meetings, Section G: Order be amended as follows:
	Section G: Order: 1. The Speaker of Council or a member appointed as Speaker by the On-Term President shall have the following responsibilities: a. Preside Presiding over General Meetings; and b. Ruling on all disputes involving interpretations of the Constitution, Bylaws and Policies of the Society. 2. The Speaker must be ratified by both Societies at General Meetings
	 All General Meeting shall be governed by Robert's rules of Order, Revised, unless otherwise specified in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Society. The Speaker shall not hold any votes at any General meeting For a motion to pass at a Join General Meeting, it must pass a vote of both the A-Society Members and the B-Society Members
Mover:	NANO 2017
Seconder:	EXEC

Comments:	that?	A: Bi-law Section 2 is already very clear in the specification to avoid any			
		For:	Against:	Abstain:	
Result:	Motion Passes	34	1	0	

4.3 Board of What?

Motion	Board of What?
	 The Constitution should be explicit on who can vote on the Board of Directors and the role of the Chair Currently, the Constitution isn't clear on who can vote on the Board of Directors. Certain Sections of the Constitution state that the Chair can vote, while other Sections of the Constitution state that the Chair is not given permission to vote. In order to meet NFPA regulations, the Chair cannot vote on the Board of Directors. The Constitution repeats itself unnecessarily on how the Chair is selected.
	Bylaw 1 – Constitution, Chapter V: Board of Directions, Section J: Chair be amended as follows:
	 Section J: Chair The Chair shall ensure proper procedure during all meetings of the board Board. The Chair will shall be appointed prior to each Academic Term by a resolution of the Board. Directors are not eligible to be appointed as chair. The Chair shall be appointed by a Resolution of the Board. The Chair shall only vote in the case of a tie. The Chair may be removed by a resolution of the Board. In the absence of the Chair, the On-Term President shall take on the Chair, except as determined by a majority vote by the Board.
Mover:	NANO 2017
Seconder: Comments:	Q: What is NFPA? A: Act that defines the regulations for non-profit organizations Q: Who is the Chair? A: The Chairperson of the Board is equivalent to EngSoc's Speaker. They are responsible for running the Board meetings.

	A: The Chair is not	Q: Why is the Speaker allowed to break ties but not the Chair? A: The Chair is not allowed to break a tie since it is stated that only elected members are allowed to vote, this is stated by federal regulations.			
	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Q: What happens in the case of a tie? A: The Motion would fail.			
		Q: Who appoints the members of the board? A: A resolution of the board, see point 5.			
	For: Against: Abstain:				
Result:	Motion Passes	35	0	0	

4.4 You Can't Proxy Me!

Motion	You Can't Proxy Me!
	 The Constitution should clearly outline how a Class Representative can proxy their Constituency's vote and it should allow the Off- Term President to proxy their vote explicitly.
	 Currently, the Constitution does not clearly outline how a Class Representative can proxy their Constituency's vote and does not allow the Off-Term President to proxy their vote explicitly. There are also spelling errors in the Constitution.
	Bylaw 1 – Constitution, Chapter VI: Council, Section C: Privileges be amended as follows:
	Section C: Privileges
	1. The following shall have the right to move motions, second motions,
	and vote at a meeting of Council. Each shall receive exactly one vote:
	1. a. The On-Term Executive, to be exercised by the On-Term
	President on behalf of the Executive team On-Term Executive Officers;
	2. <u>b.</u> Each of the On-Term Constituencies, to be exercise by the
	class Representatives on behalf of their Constituency; and
	<u>c.</u> The Off-Term President.
	2. The On-Term President may proxy the vote of the On-Term
	Executive to the following:
	a. Any other On-term Executive Officer; or
	b. Any Member provided that no On-Term Executive Officers are present at the Meeting of Council and that the On-Term President
	inform the Speaker at least one (1) day prior to the Meeting of
	Council
	3. If the On-Term President requests the proxy of the On-Term
	Executive vote to a Member and an Executive Officer is present at
	the Meeting of Council, the Executive Officer shall hold the vote of
	the On-Term Executive and not the Member as requested by the
	On-Term President.

	Constituency's vote, to any Or least one (1) do 5. If no Cass Class a meeting of C Constituency in Constituency's 6. If a Class Representations	vote, and n-Term M ay prior to Represer ouncil, the n questior behalf fo esentative	the On Ter ember prove the meetir ntative for a e Speaker m n to vote on r the duration	given Constituency is present at any appoint a person from the the Constituencies' on of the meeting. ted the proxy of their vote to a	
	Representative discretion of the Member shall 7. The Off-Term F provided they Meeting of Con	e's Constit ne Speake hold the v President i inform the	uency is pre r and On-Te ote for the may proxy t	y and a Member from the Class esent at Council, it shall be at the rm President to decide which Constituency in question. heir vote to any Member t least one (1) day prior to the	
Mover:	NANO 2017				
Seconder: Comments:	Q: Why can the on-term President proxy their vote but not the off-term President? A: Off-term members will have a much greater difficulty being present at Council. Also, the off-term president exercises their own vote while the council term president holds the entire executive vote.			neir vote but not the off-term	
				ises their own vote while the on-	
Q: Please clarify section 3 A: The executive is considered to be the "Constituency" and the no executive is present is very rare.			onstituency" and the case that		
	A: It is best to allow la	Q: Please speak about Section 6 A: It is best to allow last minute changes to be made as the Speaker and President can maintain the order of meetings.			
Q: Does Section 6 allow meeting? A: This is not specified in				es during the middle of the	
		For:	Against:	Abstain:	
Result:	Motion Passes	33	1	1	

4.5 What Does the Speaker Say?

Motion	What Does the Speaker Say?		
	The Constitution should be absolutely clear on the privileges of		
	those at Council, including the Speaker.		

The Constitution contradicts itself by giving the Speaker the right to vote and by not giving the Speaker the right to Vote The Constitution should also clearly define how and when the Speaker can vote Bylaw 1 – Constitution, Chapter VI: Council, Section C: Privileges be amended as follows: **Section C: Privileges** 1. The following shall have the right to move motions, second motions and vote at Meetings of Council. Each shall receive exactly one vote: 2. The On-Term Executive, to be exercised by the On-Term President on Behalf of Their Executive Team; 3. Each of the On-Term Constituencies, to be exercised by the Class Representatives on behalf of their Constituency; and 4. The Off-Term President. 5. A Class Representative may proxy their Constituencies' vote, and the On-Term President may proxy their vote, to any On-Term Member provided they inform the Speaker at least one (1) day prior to the meeting. 6. In no Cass Representative for a given Constituency is present at a meeting of Council, the Speaker may appoint a person from the Constituency in question to vote on the Constituencies' behalf for the duration of the meeting. 7. The Speaker shall have exactly one (1) vote on all matters of business before Council. 8. The Speaker shall only exercise their right to vote in the case of a 9. 9. The Speaker shall only vote in facour of maintaining the status Section D: Speaker 1. The On-Term President shall appoint a Member to serve as Speaker each Academic Term, pending ratification from Council. 2. The Speaker shall: a. Prepare and distribute the agenda for meetings of Council; b. Chair meetings of Council and only vote in the case of a tie; and c. Rule on all disputes involving interpretation of the Constitution, Bylaws and Policies of the Society. Mover: **NANO 2017** Seconder: EXEC Comments: Q: What is the status quo? A: To vote down all motions. This is taken verbatim from Robert's rules. Q: What about motions without a status quo, such as funding discussions? A: These rules will still apply. For: Abstain: Against:

Result:	Motion Passes	33	1	1
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4.6 JAGM Remote Attendance

Motion	JAGM Remote Attendance					
	 We should allow remote attendance at Joint Annual General Meeting At Joint Annual General Meeting 2015, the Presidents were mandated to investigate the feasibility of remote attendance and voting for members on co-op. At Joint Annual General Meeting 2016, a trial system was used to evaluate feasibility. Based on feedback received, the proposal should be fully implemented. Furthermore, the Presidents should investigate the implementation of a better sound system to be used at JAGM to ensure remote attendees can hear all discussion and that remote attendees can be heard when speaking. 					
	Bylaw 1 – Constitution, Chapter III follows:	: General Meetings be amended as				
	Section F: Remote Attendance	Section F: Remote Attendance 1. Accommodations will be made for off-term students to attend and				
	1. Accommodations will be n					
	vote during the Joint Annu	vote during the Joint Annual General Meeting				
	a. The coordination	of this is the responsibility of the off-				
	<u>term President</u>					
	Off-term members attend	2. Off-term members attending will have the same rights as member				
	attending in person, with	the following restrictions:				
	a. <u>Remote attendees</u>	s may not hold proxies				
	b. <u>Remote attendees</u>	s must register to attend two (2) days				
	prior to the meeti	prior to the meeting				
	3. <u>A Member will be appoint</u>	3. A Member will be appointed by the Off-term President to serve as moderator.				
	<u>moderator.</u>					
		Il be responsible for ensureing remote				
		propriately incorporated into the				
	discussion as per p	oroper Rules of Order.				
Mover:	EXECUTIVE					
Seconder:	NANO 2020					
Comments:	of events • Since we're unable to man will be brought to B-Counc	 Since we're unable to mandate the B-Soc President, this motion will be brought to B-Council to be voted on. We need to strike "Presidents" to be replaced by "President" 				
	-	ainst: Abstain:				
Result:	Motion Passes 35 0	0				
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5.0. Sponsorship

4.1 Sponsorship Allocations

Motion	Sponsorship Allocation is Actually the Best Kind of Ship					
	 The Sponsors Sponsorship Based on the Committee, C 	The Sponsorship Review Committee has viewed and reviewed the Sponsorship applications				
 The Society allocate the sponsorship funds in the specific amounts to the groups, as indicated in APPENDIX G. of the 2016 Meeting 4 Engenda. The total amount to be allocated is: \$10,825.25 				ed in APPENDIX G. of the Fall		
Mover:	EXECUTIVE					
Seconder:	SOFT 2020					
Comments:	inadequate p	 The reason why some groups did not receive money was due to inadequate presentations or if the club is already receiving sufficient funds. 				
		For:	Against:	Abstain:		
Result:	Motion Passes	35	0	0		

6.0 Executive Reports

6.1. President

Speaking: President – Adelle Vickery (president.a@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- Working on transition to incoming President
- Still working on the Student Experience Survey with the Faculty. The plan is to run in Winter 2017 for all students.
- Engineering student volunteers needed for preparing for Finals Workshop
- Engineering Award winners will be selected next week and announced at Last Council Meeting
- Potluck on Nov. 30th, please bring food
- P&P's at POETS after meeting

6.2. VP External

Speaking: VP External – William Wilmot (vpexternal.a@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- Two events this weekend: Santa Claus Parade (Saturday) & Science Experiments for Children at The Museum (Sunday) (Facebook event pages are available)
- Congress applications are closed. We're currently looking at selecting applicants.
- First year integration conference (February) applications in the works.

6.3. VP Education

Speaking: VP Education – Jeffrey Gulbronson (<u>vpeducation.a@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca</u>)

Last hardware workshop coming up soon

- Working on transitioning to new Executive
- Please provide workshop feedback

6.4. VP Finance

Speaking: VP Finance – Abdullah Barakat (vpfinance.a@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- Fire sale today: sold \$650 of stuff!
- New ceramic mugs ordered for NOVELTIES, this is the last purchase of the semester
- More student deals in the making
- Lots of budget left for first-year events!
- Commissioner applications are open now! Open until Saturday, 11:59pm.

6.5. VP Internal

Speaking: VP Internal: Sarbajoy Majumdar (vpinternal.a@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- Semi-Formal and TalEng were big successes
- Floor-hockey tournament on Nov. 26th
- Coffee House happening on Nov. 30th
- EngPlay playing this weekend

6.6. Questions for the Executive

Q: Is Coffee House licenced?

A: Yes

Q: Are snacks covered for first-year events?

A: Yes, just bring receipts and email ahead of time.

Q: Is the first-year budget for next semester as well?

A: No, this is only valid until the last day of classes this term.

7.0 New Business

7.1 We Are Better Than This

Motion	We Are Better Than This
	 Our elections should be done professionally, not using some 3rd party website (ie. Survey Monkey) A lot of individuals could note vote until a second round of ballots was sent out by the CRO An unsettling number of ballots got forwards to junk/spam folders leaving the voter unaware of it The Incoming/Current Executive Officers should be mandated to develop a new system of elections before another election is to take place The Incoming and Current Executive Officers should be mandated to investigate the possibility of integration with vote.feds.ca or the creation of a new EngSOC voting site (vote.engsoc.ca)

Mover:	MECH 2019				
Seconder:					
Comments:					
		For:	Against:	Abstain:	
Result:	Withdrawn				

7.2. A New COMittee

Motion	A New COMit	tee				
	 We sho confere Present respons There is from a p A select increase A trial of A-Society by commendation with two Mediuring to confere The Mediapplicate 	 We should explore new ways to improve impartiality in the conference delegate selection process Presently, the VP External (soon to be VP Communications) is responsible for selecting conference delegates. There is an inherent bias in having a single person select people from a pool of individuals they may or may not know personally. A selection committee is a possible way to balance out biases and increase objectivity. A trial of this system for one term would help determine whether A-Society and EngSoc as a whole should employ delegate selection by committee on a permanent basis. A committee, made up of the A-Society VP Communications and two Members-at-large, should be formed to select delegates during the Winter 2017 term for the FYIC and ESSCO AGM conferences. The Members-at-large will not submit conference delegate applications during the Winter 2017 term 				
Mover:	SOFT 2020					
Seconder:	SYDE 2019					
Comments:	 Incoming VP Communications: This was a part of our platform Q: Can 8-Steam students who are switching into B-Society be elected A: The point is to make this an 8-month commitment. No, they must A-Society. 					
	Amendment	The A-Society VP Communications acts as one vote				
		regardless of partnership				
	Mover	EXEC				
	Seconder	MECH 2019				
		 We would like to keep number of votes an odd number to avoid ties Q: Is this necessary as VP Communications title considered to be held by one individual at a time? A: Technically no, but it's useful to have the 				

	Motion passes, declared friendly			
	Q: Where is the conference being held? A: At the University of Waterloo. If you're on the committee, you cannot apply for the conference.			
	Q: Does this apply for all conferences? A: Yes.			
	Amendment declared friendly			
Result	Amendment passes			

Motion is moved into camera

Motion is moved out of camera

Amendment	To Include Jared Gour and Patricia Duong as members of the committee
Mover	SOFT 2018
Seconder	MGMT 2018
	CHEM 2019 Noted Against
Result	Amendment passes

		For:	Against:	Abstain:
Result:	Motion Passes	34	1	0

7.3. Who's the Real Peter K?

Motion	Who's the Real Peter K?
	 We as a council need to figure s**t out, and sort our Peter K affairs We used to have "Peter K" and "Other Peter K" and council lived in harmony until "Other Peter K" took the title of "Supreme Peter K" which was intended for "Peter K" This is 100% real motion that deals with a super serious issue, and that we know through a reliable source that "Peter K" is currently dealing with an identity crisis because of the misnaming Council should take a stance of who is who and name the Peter K's appropriately – until such a time someone changes their names again obviously Council should take a straw poll on wither or not they wish to a committee be elected to further study this epidemic. If council choses to elect a committee they can also choice to select the names of the two people in question, thus leaving the

		committee with no purpose other than Swag points (RIP Tron 2016 you'll always be remembered)				
Mover:	TRON 2019	TRON 2019				
Seconder:						
Comments:						
	For: Against: Abstain:					
Result:	Withdrawn	Withdrawn				

7.3. Vice-Presidential Ratification

Motion	Vice-Presidential Ratifi	Vice-Presidential Ratification					
Mover:	SOFT 2018	SOFT 2018					
	election has been run by th documents to elect the nex follows: VP Academic: Patricia Duon VP Communications: Steve	Results of the Fall 2016 Vice-Presidential Election will be ratified. An election has been run by the CRO in accordance with the governing documents to elect the next Engineering Society 'A' Vice-Presidents as follows: VP Academic: Patricia Duong VP Communications: Steven Jia & Celine O'Neil VP Operations and Finance: Michael Beauchemin					
Seconder:	MECH 2018	MECH 2018					
	Notes abstention: CHEM 20	Notes abstention: CHEM 2019 (Michael made fun of me last week.)					
	-	For: Against: Abstain:					
Result:	Motion Passes	34	0	1			

8.0 Director & Affiliate Reports

8.1. WEEF

Speaking: Eric Shi: weef@uwaterloo.ca

- Funding meeting is tomorrow
- Congratulations to Sarah for WEEF Director election

8.2. Senate

Speaker: Pallavi Hukerikar (pallavi.hukerikar@uwaterloo.ca)

Absent

8.3. FEDS Councillors

Speaker: Denton Liu (denton.liu@uwaterloo.ca)

No updates

8.4. EngFOC

Speaker: Jared Gour (engfoc@uwaterloo.ca)

- New team announced Friday
- Orientation week leaders will be opening up soon

8.6. Other

VP Academic:

• Course critiques are now released, they're very quick to do and online!

Q: When is EngSoc screening the critiques?

A: Dec. 1st at 11:00AM.

Women in Engineering:

- Still in discussion about combining Women in Engineering and the First Year program
- Couple events coming up: Talk about Unbiased Decisions by Google software manager;
 Soldering Workshop next Wednesday at CPH (open to everyone)

EngProv

- Next Tuesday Nov. 22nd in POETS
- Events page on EngSoc Facebook page
- You can attend to watch too!

9.0 Varia

9.1 How many days 'til IRS?

79 days 'til IRS!

10.0 Adjournment

Time: 7:01 PM

Motion	Adjourn Fall 2016 Meeting #1
Mover:	CIVIL 2021
Seconder:	ENV 2021
Result:	Motion Passes