

Council Meeting

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Agenda

Call to Order

Turn off all Cell phones

Turn off all laptops

Roll Call

Appointment of Secretary of Council

Motion to appoint Emma as secretary

Motion by Emma

Seconded by Finance

Pass Unanimous

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda

Motion by President

Seconded by ASHRAE

Pass Unanimous

Approval of Previous Minutes

a) Change the seconder of the motion to adopt ECA-FY2013-01 to President

Motion to change the seconder of the motion to adopt ECA-FY2013-01 to President

Motion by President

Seconded by BCE

Pass Unanimous

Motion to approve the previous minutes

Motion by President

Seconded by External

Pass Unanimous

Old Business

1. Concordia Student Congress

Motion to have the ECA council call upon the ENCS faculty council to implement informal mid-semester course evaluations.

Motion by MIE

Seconded by President

Pass (12 for - 7 against)

Motion to have the ECA council call upon the university and the ENCS faculty to conduct a consultation within each department to identify those who have suffered the most under these cuts and develop a plan to help reduce effects to be presented to the APPC.

Motion by President
Seconded by MIE
Pass

Motion to recommend that the outcome of the working group be distributed to the president, faculty associations, departmental associations, and faculties for feedback and ultimately be presented to Senate.

Motion by President
Seconded by MIE
Pass Unanimous

Motion to have the ECA council call on the university to engage in an extensive consultation to ascertain the types of organizations and opportunities that would better meet the needs of students in ENCS. Furthermore, we encourage the university to increase relationships between Co-op and CAPS to provide 1 on 1 application assistance.

Motion by President
Seconded by MIE
Motion to close debate
Motion by External
Seconded by Finance
Pass

Pass

Motion to have the ECA council call upon the university to conduct an evaluation with students and faculty to determine the academic and non-academic space needs that exist for students and execute their best efforts to allocate appropriate spaces for their needs.

Motion by President
Seconded by MIE

Motion to amend the motion to have the ECA call upon the university to form a "Student Space Working Group" that would be in charge of conducting an evaluation with students and faculty to determine the academic and non-academic space needs that exist for students and execute their best efforts to allocate appropriate spaces for their needs.

Motioned by President
Seconded by MIE

Motion to call to question
Motioned by WIE
Pass

Pass

2. Hospitality Booking Dates and Procedures

Reminder by President: Please make a list of the events and potential dates for the entire 2014-2015 academic year

New Business

1. Elections

a. Motion to Appoint CRO Trevor Wilkinson and ARO Shannon Coulter-Low

Motion to appoint Trevor Wilkinson as CRO and Shannon Coulter-Low as ARO.

Motion by President

Motion to move to close session (executive session with only directors allowed)

Motion by President

Seconded by SAE

Pass

Motion to split the motion in 2 motions.

Motion by President

Seconded by EngGames.

Motion to appoint Trevor Wilkinson as CRO

Motion by President

Pass

Motion to appoint Shannon Coulter-Low as ARO

Motion by President

Pass

b. Motion to unanimously approve a temporary election procedure

Motion to unanimously approve a temporary election procedure.

Motion by President

Motion to amend the motion to remove unanimously.

Motion by President

Pass unanimous

Whereas the ECA's elections cannot be held following the provisions set out in the ECA's Standing Regulations;

Whereas the ECA's standing regulations are in some cases illogical;

Whereas the CRO is paid and in a position to make sound recommendations to the Election procedures.

BIRT the ECA Council agrees to notwithstanding the following clauses of the Standing Regulations:

- Chapter II, 4 – regarding polling dates
- Chapter III, Division 3, 20 – regarding the info session (the CRO can hold one if the candidates want, but the info pack will be enough under time constraints)
- Chapter IV, Division I, 33 – regarding public notice of an election
- Chapter IV, Division II, 34 – regarding nomination period
- Chapter IV, Division IV, 52 – regarding campaign period
- Chapter IV, Division V, 59 – regarding Notice of poll
- Chapter IV, Division V, 74.1 – regarding transport of ballot boxes from office of chief security officer by chief security officer (this will not happen on the part of security, they will provide escort with a security officer (not necessarily the chief) and are required to not touch any of the ballots or ballot boxes (their rules)).

- Chapter VI, 127 + 129 – these two clauses appear contradictory. In one candidates can incur 100\$ of election expenses, in the other they will be reimbursed 50% of that (if they are not required to be reimbursed the rest of the amount then there is no way of keeping track of how much they spend). Due to the confusion, the CRO suggests that election expenses for candidates be reduced to 50\$ (from 100\$) and require the approval of the CRO before they are incurred (see BIFRT clause below);

BIFRT the dates for all stages of the election follow a three week model as follows:

Nomination Period: Monday March 24th to Friday March 28th by 16:00;

Campaigning Period: Friday 28th at 17:00 to Monday April 7th (11:59PM);

Polling Period: Tuesday April 8th to Thursday April 10th (10:00AM to 8PM everyday);

Debates: April 3rd, 7:30PM with location TBD;

BIFRT the CRO be mandated to propose logical changes to be made to the Standing Regulations chapters II to VIII inclusively;

BIFRT the council agrees to the changes above and approves all of the procedures that are set out in the provision above;

BIFRT the election expenses for each of the candidates be reduced to \$50 and require the approval of the CRO.

Motion to amend the motion by striking the second to last BIFRT clause.

Motion by External

Seconded by President

Pass

Motion to reword to have a 50\$ cap on ECA funding, and have a 100\$ maximum campaigning budget.

Motion by MIE

Seconded by NSBE

Defeated

Motion to move the date of the debates to April 1st

Motion by IEEE

Seconded by External

Pass

Pass Unanimous

Motion to, in the case of an election tie, have the council hold a special session to decide the end of the elections.

Motion by CUBES

Seconded by President

Pass

Motion to have the CRO present his recommendations by email and have council have an email vote that would be binding on council.

Motion by External

Seconded by CUBES

Motion to postpone indefinitely

Motion by External

Motion by President

Pass

Fails

Motion to have any electoral rule not specified determined by the CRO.

Motion by President

Seconded by External

Pass

c. Motion to make elections more sustainable

Motion to make the elections more sustainable

Motion by President

Whereas the amount of ballots prescribed to be printed by the standing regulations is excessive and therefore wasteful;

Whereas in previous years the voter turnout during the ECA elections was below 500 students;

Whereas the it is unsustainable to print an amount of ballots equal to the amount of undergraduate students enrolled in engineering and computer science.

BIRT the ECA council notwithstanding Chapter IV, Division V, 70 of the Standing Regulations;

BIFRT the amount of ballots to be printed equal 25% of the total amount of undergraduate students enrolled in each department of the faculty of ENCS.

Motion to amend to have a initial amount changed to minimum.

Motion by External

Seconded by Finance

Pass

Pass

Other Business

The last council of this academic year will be on April 7th, 2014.

Announcements

Motion to keep the announcements under 30s

Motion by President

Pass (Sports abstain)

Executive Announcements

President

Iron Ring

Finance

Academic

External

Sports & Competitions

Marketing

Social

Society Announcements

ASHRAE

CASI

CSCE

CUBES is awesome <3

ENG Games

EWB

IEEE

IIE

NSBE

SAE

SCS

Space Concordia

WIE

CSU

Director/Reps Announcements

BCE Rep

ECE Rep

CSE Rep

MIE Rep

B-Annex Director

Exec/Other Directors

Discussion

Question/s

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn

Motion by President

Seconded by Marketing
Pass

Reports

Executive Report

- a) President Report
- b) Internal
- c) Finance
- d) Academic
- e) External
- f) Sports & Competitions
- g) Marketing
- h) Social

Society Reports

- a) ASHRAE's Report
- b) CASI's Report
- c) CSCE's Report
- d) CUBES's Report
- e) ENG Games Report
- f) EWB's Report
- g) IEEE's Report
- h) IIE's Report
- i) NSBE's Report
- j) SAE's Report
- k) SCS's Report
- l) Space Concordia's Report
- m) WIE's Report

Director/Rep Report

- a) BCE Rep
- b) ECE Rep
- c) CSCE Rep
- d) MIE Rep
- e) B-Annex Director
- f) Exec/Other Directors