

CONCORDIA ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Regular Council Meeting #3

Monday, September 8th, 2014

B-Annex Lounge, 2160 Bishop, 8:30PM

Agenda (as amended)

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Appointment of Chair of Council
4. Appointment of Secretary of Council
5. Approval of the Previous Minutes
6. Approval of the Agenda
7. Reports
8. Old Business
 - a. Unfilled positions
 - i. MIE Representative
 - ii. ECE Representative
 - iii. EngWeek Committee
 - b. Society Volunteering
 - c. Executive Honorarium
9. New Business
 - a. Frosh
 - b. Special Council Meeting
 - c. Frosh Committee
 - d. Finance Committee
 - e. Policy Committee
10. Announcements
11. Adjournment

Minutes

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:51PM.

2. Roll Call

In attendance

Executives: President, Academic, Competitions, External, Finance, Social, Internal¹

Societies: CASI, CSCE, CSME, EngGames, EWB, IEEE, IIE, NSBE, SCS, Space Concordia, WIE

Representatives: MIE, BCEE, ECE

Absent

Executives: Marketing

Societies: ASHRAE, CUBES, SAE, SEC

Representatives: CSE

3. Appointment of Chair

Motion to appoint Iman Hassanein as the chair of this meeting

Moved by President, seconded by EngGames

Motion passes

4. Appointment of Secretary

Motion to appoint Chuck Wilson as secretary of this meeting

Moved by President, seconded by Finance

Motion passes

5. Approval of previous minutes

Motion to approve previous minutes

Moved by President, EngGames

Motion passes

6. Approval of the agenda

Item "frosh" was added to the agenda (added by Space Concordia)

Motion to approve the agenda as modified

Moved by Finance, VP Social

¹ who shall be known as captain fuck-up for the duration of this meeting

Approved by consent

7. Reports

There were no reports for consideration at this meeting.

8. Old Business

a. Unfilled positions

i. MIE Representative

Dilani Abeywickrama presented her candidacy for the position of MIE representative. She elaborated some specific points she wishes to improve for MIE. Motivations were given for the candidate.

There were questions about whether a candidate who had previously presented himself had officially withdrew his candidacy. This agenda point was temporarily tabled until after the EngWeek committee point, and further tabled again until after announcements.

*Motion to table until after EngWeek
Moved by President, seconded by Finance*

Motion passes

*Motion to table until after Announcements
Moved by External, seconded by NSBE*

Adopted by Consent

*Motion to appoint Dilani Abeywickrama as MIE rep, effective immediately.
Moved by CSCE, seconded by SCS*

Motion passes

ii. ECE Representative

Ramez Al Aghbar presented himself for the position of ECE representative. He noted specific points he wishes to improve for ECE. Motivations were given for the candidate.

*Motion to appoint Ramez Al Aghbar as ECE representative, effective immediately.
Moved by CSCE, seconded by BCEE*

Motion passes

iii. EngWeek Committee

Motion to appoint captain fuck-up as the ECA representative on the EngWeek Committee.

Moved by CSME, seconded by IEEE

Motion passes

b. Society Volunteering

Motion to postpone this agenda item until next council

Moved by President, seconded by MIE

Motion passes

c. Executive Honouraria

Motion that, upon the presentation of each executive's mandate report - and, in addition, the ECA's annual report from the President and VP Finance - at council, the amount of the honorarium decided at council on April 7th, 2014 shall be paid.

Moved by President, CSCE

Motion passes

There was a question about whether there would be a vote on the honorariums, or if the payment will be automatically approved upon a presentation. Emma noted the honoraria would be automatically distributed.

9. New Business

a. Frosh

Mehdi noted his discontent that Space Concordia's lab wasn't included in the tour, despite the tour going very close to it. In fact, most of the members in attendance at the meeting did not even know where the Space Concordia lab is. He would like the ECA to send out a newsletter to ENCS students telling them the location of their lab.

Motion to send an email to froshies informing them of the location of Space Concordia's lab

Moved by Space Concordia, Social

President noted that the open rate for the ECA newsletter is 40%, and then attempted to make an amendment but was interrupted. Several councillors thought an email to froshies informing them of the location of all societies was a good idea; Mehdi felt this defeated the purpose of the motion.

It was noted that, although the b-annex is said to house all societies, its signage is outdated, and it's a problem that Space Concordia does not have a room there. There was a general consensus that societies' information is not readily accessible to students, and the ECA should seek ways to fix it. President was then able to introduce an amendment.

Motion to amend the main motion such that an email would be sent to all students informing them of the locations of all society offices; to create a society directory sign to display outside the H-office; to update the signage in the B-Annex; and to add societies' information to the ECA's Facebook presence.

Moved by President, IIE

External voiced his feeling that such an email would be unnecessary, as the societies' presence at the Frosh orientation BBQ specifically gave them the chance to broadcast their details to froshies, which IEEE echoed.

Motion to call the question

Moved by President, CSCE

Motion passes

Amendment passes

Main motion passes

b. Special Council Meeting

Motion to hold a special council meeting next week for the purpose of approving the ECA's budget and all society budgets.

Moved by President, seconded by Finance

Motion passes

c. Frosh Committee

Motion to have the frosh committee produce a report on frosh/orientation for council on Monday, October 6th

Moved by President, seconded by SCS

Motion passes

d. Finance Committee

Motion to have to finance committee present the annual budget at the next meeting of Council.

Moved by President, Seconded by IIE

Motion passes

e. Policy Committee

Motion to have the policy committee produce a policy on Respectful Conduct and Complaint Resolution by the Special Council Meeting held on Monday, September 15th.

Moved by President, seconded by Finance

Emma noted that a motion which passed last year² included this provision. She would like the policy committee to draft this.

There were questions about whether or not there was anyone sitting on policy committee. No clear answer was given.

Motion passes (EngGames abstained)

It was adopted by consent that Robert's Rules should be suspended and a point on the new Canadian anti-spam law should be added to the agenda after the current point.

f. Canadian Anti-Spam Law

CREIQ's lawyer has sent out a notice that they think the Canadian anti-spam law applies to the ECA even as a non-profit – meaning all societies and the ECA will need to re-confirm anyone on their mailing lists. This consists of an email sent out to all emails asking if they would like to continue to receive emails. Only those who reply “yes” may be emailed in the future.

Essentially, the law forces an opt-in policy rather than an opt-out policy.

Motion to reinstate Robert's rules

Moved by Finance, EngGames

Motion passes

10. Announcements

Kim wants all of the societies' competitions' information.

11. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn

Moved by CSCE, seconded by Finance

Motion passes

² Motion for promoting a culture of safety, respect and consent within the ECA – Council meeting of March 10, 2014

Summary of Motions

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