

**CONCORDIA ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE  
STUDENT ASSOCIATION**

**Board of Directors Meeting #1**

Date: Thursday June 1st, 2017  
EV 2.184, 1515 Ste-Catherine Ouest, 8:00 PM

**Minutes**

Appointment of Secretary approved by: Chris, Mugisha

Appointment of Secretary approved by: Ben, Nick

Appointment of Chair approved by: Ben, Nick

Approval of sages by: Ben and Nick

**External Presentations**

**a. VP Social Candidates presentations (Q&A)**

***Candidate: Ben***

Reflection:

- Fix mistakes done in past
- Improve certain touches on lizard lounges
- Outgoing and having more events that are more inviting for students
- Important qualities as VP Social is to care and have interest in what you're doing, small events have the same importance of that of big events

Q&A:

***Chris:*** *One major thing to accomplish by the end of the year?*

***Ans:*** To have students to look back at the end of the year and say they had fun

***Arravein:*** *What was your biggest accomplishment last year and how did you achieve it?*

***Ans:*** To work as a team and successfully conduct many things as we were all there for one another.

***Abir:*** *What was your biggest failures and non accomplishments?*

***Ans:*** I would tend to get off track here and there

**Abir:** You mentioned you were self motivated and did a great job for frosh but as the year progressed, your motivation level decreased, why?

**Ans:** I was putting in a lot of effort and it was hard at one point. You need people to support you or else you'll crumble

**Nick:** Even though we are a team, do you want directors around you or do you prefer working alone for events?

**Ans:** It was a great learning experience, I had to jump in there and figure it out for myself.

## **New Business**

### **a. Voting of the VP Social**

**Vote in Favour of Ben: 10 people**

**Therefore Ben will be the new vp social for the next academic year.**

### **b. Approval of Chalet Budget**

- Same amount as last year (2500\$) including booking of chalet (1500\$ for chalet), so 1000\$ remaining for activities
- Date: June 23-24-25 2017
- Carpool sheet will be up for those who don't drive

Approval of budget: Ben, Nick

### **c. CREIQ Camp Workshop**

#### ***iii) Selecting members who are going to attend***

- Fee is 150\$/person
- Finance, academic, president, social, marketing positions would benefit from this workshop

Members attending: Alex , Nick and Chris (450\$ in total)

### **d. Honorariums Academic Year 2016-2017**

- i. **CRO:** 750\$
- ii. **ARO:** 350\$
- iii-x. **Each executive member:** 1000\$
- xi. **Secretary Council:** 200\$
- xii. **Chairperson Council:** 400\$
- Total: 9700\$**

### **Discussion on Honorarium:**

**Abir:** This year's election wasn't too smooth, a lot of things were not done on the first day and on the second day, things were delayed. I think 550\$ for CRO is fair and 350\$ for ARO is fair. I don't think three days of CRO work is worth 750\$.

**Chris:** Maybe bring it down to 300\$-500\$?

**Ben:** I think it is unfortunate to think CRO is a three day job.

-> I motion to change it to 500\$ for CRO and 300\$ for ARO (second by Nick)

**Abir:** Alter motion to keep ARO at 350\$ and CRO at 550\$ (second by Nick and Chris) and that is the amount they will be receiving this year. I would like to change it in the by laws the next academic year

Vote: 8

Against: 2

Abstain: 1

**Motion has passed.**

**Arravein:** Pass motion for the honorariums of secretary and chair (second by Nick)

In Favor: 10

**Arravein:** Motion to approve honorariums for all executive members of ECA. Can be allocated when members submit their full year mandate report to the board, until then the check will not be issued. Only Nick, Ben and Sebastian have submitted their full year mandate.

(second by Nick, Ben, Chris)

In Favor: 10

**Motion has passed.**

**Ben:** Motion to increase the honorarium to 1500\$ for next year  
(second by nick)

*Discussion for this motion:*

**Erica:** I feel like we're taking money out of students' pockets. Do you think the quality of work will increase if the honorarium is raised from 1000\$ to 1500\$?

**Nick:** We are the association that gets paid the least, the money that comes from the students will go back to them eventually.

**Arravein:** It is not about the money, in the past if there was a change, it was consulted by the honorary council. Approving without consulting them is not a good idea, we should get their opinion.

**Chris:** I agree with Arravein, students do a lot of work as well, it would be difficult to justify the 500\$ increase.

**Abir:** Yes it is students' money, the students are benefiting from the amount of work put in by the team. It is students' money but it is not going to waste. We should run it by the honorary council.

**Ben:** Drop the motion

**Abir:** This should be brought up in the first council of the next academic year and approved at the end of academic year

## **Announcements & Verbal Reports**

### **a. 2017-2018 Academic Handbook**

**Arravein:** Working to put Alex in touch with the company that does the handbooks for us

**Chris:** With respect to the advertisements put in the agenda, how much revenue are the advertisements bringing?

**Arravein:** The company takes 50% of how many advertisements are put in. In September, we received 3500\$.

**Abir:** We must come up with a compromise. For agendas, we can have stickers inside it

**Chris:** Give a ruler in a separate bag with agenda

**Mugisha:** CSU has the agenda separate and a student handbook separate, so put sponsors in handbook and agenda.

**Alex:** This is a topic to be discussed in executive meeting. Push this off till next board meeting.

### **b. New Constitution By Laws**

- All By Laws passed at election at 2017 election and newly compressed file is available and uploaded

### **c. New Society Budget**

- Approve everything in Board in August

### **d. Frosh Committee**

**Alex:** The 4 people have to present in front of board, so this time next Thursday.

**Nick:** Filipa and I wanted to run for sage of frosh committee, must apply for stage and not for external. Where is the line?

**Abir:** Just do it because at end of day you have experience

**Abir:** How much power will the frosh committee have in terms of finance?

**Arravein:** No, financial or signing power, it has to go through the board, the accountability stays at execs

**Alex:** No mentioning of sages anywhere in bylaws except in the frosh committee section.

**Alex:** You can be involved in frosh but, it's the committee members that vote. You don't have a decision except committee.

**Abir:** Once committee is voted in, you will be representatives. It will be discussed next Thursday.

End.