

Waterloo Engineering A-Society Fall 2016 Meeting #3

Date: Wednesday, Oct. 5th, 2016

Location: CPH 3607

Chair: Jared Jour

Secretary: Jenny Ma

I. Attendance:

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

Total Votes Available: 48

Total Votes Present: 36

1.0 Welcome/Call to Order

Time: 5:43 PM

Quorum established at 36/48 voting members present.

2.0 Approval of Engenda

Motion	Approval of Fall 2016 Meeting #3 Engenda
Mover:	TRON 2019
Secunder:	EXEC
	Q: When is Exec Q&A Happening? A: Section 4.1
Result:	Motion Passes

3.0 Approval of Minutes

Motion	Approval of Fall 2016 Meeting #1 Minutes
	Tabled from Oct. 5 th Council Meeting #2
Mover:	CHEM 2017
Secunder:	SOFT 2021
Result:	Motion Passes

Motion	Approval of Fall 2016 Meeting #2 Minutes
Mover:	CHEM 2021
Secunder:	SOFT 2020 Noted abstain: MGMT 2018
Result:	Motion Passes

4.0 Business

4.1 Vice-President and WEEF Director Q & A

Appointed CRO: EXECUTIVE

Candidates:

- **Patricia Duong** (CHEM 2019)
 - VP Academic Platform: Support & grow resources
- **Steven Jia** (SYDE 2017)/ **Céline O'Neil** (SOFT 2020)
 - VP Communications Platform: Make EngSoc communications more relevant, and introduce more channels that are tailored to students
- **Emma Kennedy** (NANO 2020)/ **Joanna Liu** (CHEM 2019)
 - VP Communications Platform: Establish a rubric for attending conferences, and create more transparency
- **Mariko Shimoda** (MECH 2020)
 - VP Student Life Platform: Boost attendance and awareness of EngSoc events
- **Awn Duqoum** (TRON 2019)
 - VP Student Life Platform: Make EngSoc in-tune for everyone who goes here

- **Sarah McCurdy** (MGMT 2020)
 - WEEF Director Platform: Make everyone involved in WEEF's processes

Q: Why are you running to be an executive?

Sarah: I love attending WEEF Meetings, I think I can best support those processes!

Awn: I've been super involved with campus, and I'd like to be more in-tune with my faculty!

Mariko: I love meeting new people, and I'd like to help others meet new people!

Emma & Joanna: We love communicating through social media and other different channels; we're also proud to represent UW at different events.

Celine & Steven: We're currently serving as commissioners and directors, we've both been involved for a long time, and we love EngSoc!

Patricia: EngSoc is a great family! I'd like to continue that for others. We should make sure we're getting a good education here.

Q: Support "Making EngSoc Great Again" in one word

S: Always

A: Green

M: Obviously

E & J: Yes/Absolutely

S&C: Si

Patricia: Sure

Q: [VP Communications] Why are you running as pairs?

S & C: Steven would like to go on exchange, so he won't be able to serve for both semesters!

E & J: Emma has an 8-month co-op, and we also think we compliment each other well!

Q: Have you read the constitution and other bi-laws, why and why not?

M: Yes, since it seemed like something I should do.

A: Yes, I wanted to make sure my crazy ideas are do-able.

S: Yes

P: I've read parts of both.

S & C: Yes, we've read most, especially to reference to in the future

E & J: Yes, we were interested to learn the laws governing EngSoc; and we thought we had to!

Q: How do you plan on balancing being an EngSoc executive and other commitments?

P: Google Calendar to schedule my life!

S & C: We won't be holding any other positions outside of EngSoc; we've previously been good at time-management!

E & J: Currently I'm doing well balancing lots of commitments try to stay organized!

M: I do a lot of stuff! I'm good at multitasking! I'd like to focus my sole efforts on being an executive if elected!

A: It'll be a lot less than what I'm currently doing, it'll be a nice break.

S: I'm pretty organized, I'll continue to use those skills!

Q: If you could be a current WEEF director, who would you be?

Sarah: Eric's a pretty cuddly guy

A: Eric

P: Eric since he's open to collaborating with different groups

Everyone else: Eric

Q: Have you discussed your role with your predecessor? If yes, how has the conversation changed your views?

E & J: Yes, we've reached out through different means. We found our role didn't have too many internal communication aspects.

S & C: Definitely- We've both worked directly under the current exec. We weren't too surprised by anything about the role.

P: I spoke to various execs, and became quite knowledgeable about the role. What surprised me were appeals process.

S: I've spoken with Eric, what surprised me was the range of responsibilities and how they're executed.

A: I talk to Sarbajoy often! Talking to him made me want the role more.

M: I've talked to both VP Internal and External. It changed my perception and prepared me well for the role!

Q: [VP Student Life] What events have you run, or participated in, that would fall under your portfolio?

Q (Follow up): What about WEC?

A: I've been a commissioner and director in the past – almost all events would apply! Yes, I have participated in WEC previously.

M: I'm currently the first-year commissioner, I've been in a ton of events. I haven't been in WEC, but will participate in it this year.

4.2 Mid-term Actuals Update

- All student fees have been received from FEDs, this amount was higher than budgeted – resulting in about \$5000 surplus!
- We've met the expectations for Orifice sales.
- Estimated funds raised for charity have been met as well.
- Currently at \$21 000 surplus, however many things have not been paid for.

Q: Why is Career Fair in such a high revenue?

A: This is because the invoice were issued at the beginning of the month, when many bills have yet to be paid.

Q: What do charity events represent?

A: Includes everything raised or donated to United Way for CN Tower Climb, in addition to charity events for Habitat for Humanity.

Q: Why is Bus Push so low in expenses?

A: This was as of last Friday, the budget expenses came in after.

Q: Why did ECIF & Sponsorship some get more money than budgeted?

A: They're all based on a percentage- since we have more money this year, more were allocated.

Q: Is FYELC in the same boat as Career Fair?

A: Yes, we're still waiting for some more sponsors to pay.

5.0 Executive Reports

5.1. President

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

- Attended President's reception, Fall Open House this weekend, will be attending Engineering Awards Dinner later this month.
- Involved in Student Engagement Survey with Faculty (Peter Douglas, Robin Jardin)
- Elections: voting is next week, please vote! Results will be announced at TalEng, next Saturday.
- Preparing for transition to incoming 'A-Society' president.
- Looking into Engineering Department Student Societies. Some would like to be affiliated with EngSoc! (This will be for future terms)
- Working to qualify EngSoc as a company on LinkedIn.

5.2. VP External

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

- Applications open on EngSoc websites for week-long Congress conference in January, hosted at Western. Application deadline is extended to Nov. 7th
- Waterloo Engineering Competition next weekend (Nov. 11th & 12th), this includes Junior and Senior design & consulting.
- Cross-university involvement opportunity: bit.ly/Blue-and-gold

5.3. VP Education

Speaking: VP Education – Jeffrey Gulbranson (vpeducation.a@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- Hardware workshop on November, 23rd
- Jobmine ranking issues: aim to sort out before matches come out
- Looking for new workshops to run
- Course Critiques are running soon, sign out form for critiquing committee will be released on Facebook: Critique meeting: December 1st, 11:00 AM.
- WaterlooWorks will be happening – tentative plan is Jobmine shuts down Dec. 3rd, WaterlooWorks will open on Dec. 12th, with days in between to transition data
- Co-op 2.0 : discussing reforms to the co-op system. Check out my Iron Warrior article.
- Spoke to faculty about copied exams: certain questions must be reused to meet requirements. However, professors have been alerted to avoid plagiarism.

5.4. VP Finance

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

- Volume knob in POETs is fixed, thanks to Matt & Julia.
- Creating new templates for VP's and directors for transitions!
- New EngSocks, ceramic mugs, and patches in Novelties!
- Novelties Fire-Sale 11:30-1:30 in two weeks, check Facebook event.
- ECIF applications open until Nov. 10th.
- Sponsorship applications are all in, committee will be meeting on Nov. 13 to allocate funds

5.5. VP Internal

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

- MudBowl had to be cancelled due to logistics
- Semi-Formal is this Friday
- Mental-Health and Arts collaboration tomorrow in POETS from 4:30 to 7:30, drop-in event.
- TalEng is in two weekends, sign up to perform!
- First-Year Mentoring has a bonfire event on Nov. 8th. We have approval to burn stuff.
- As mandated by council to explore combining Women in Engineering and First-Year Mentoring, discussions have been initiated.

5.6. Questions for the Executive

Q: Why do we think WaterlooWorks will work now when it didn't work before?

A: It wasn't a software issue – staff training wasn't done adequately before. Now, the staff are properly trained and prepared.

Q: Is there a contingency plan in case WaterlooWorks doesn't work?

A: No.

Q: What will happen for people without jobs on Dec. 3rd?

A: It's not ideal, but the transition period is at good time as it's during exams. We'd like for people to have training before they leave for Winter break.

Q: If you're in continuous, you will be using WaterlooWorks?

A: Yes. Evaluations will be on WaterlooWorks as well.

Q: Could we do the data transfer and still have the software up?

A: Technically, yes. They're trying to mitigate the situation as best as they can.

Q: Since people will be losing about a week of job searching, will this be compensated (ie. Extending the co-op search time limit)?

A: No, CAFDE requires this time limit, that's 3-4 weeks into the following term. We cannot alter this.

Q: If it takes 8 days to transfer data, does this confirm that most Jobmine data are written by hand?

A: We're getting a lot of new features, including employer feedback after the interview. You'll also get a free no rank.

Q: Why does Jobmine need more sleep than I do?

A: This is perplexing. I'm perplexed.

Q: Can we see our ranks on WaterlooRanks?

A: No

Q: Will there be a WaterlooWorks glitch?

A: No

Q: Is the free no-rank per term or per round?

A: You get one for main round.

Q: How will first years know how to use the system?

A: We'll assume they're tech-savvy. There will also be resources and tutorials online, class visits as well for 8-streamers.

Q: What about the 4-streamers or people going into continuous?

A: Visit the Tatham Centre, or use online tutorials.

Q: Can CECA reject the free no rank?

A: No, they cannot.

Q: Can we provide feedback for the term?

A: Yes. There will be a 'rate my coop' feature, starting in the Winter term. After enough reviews have come in and reviewers no longer identifiable, they will publish results.

Q: Can we shit on previous co-op terms?

A: No, that's what Reddit's for.

Q: Is the matching algorithm changed for WaterlooWorks?

A: No.

Q: Will the co-op search criteria change?

A: New categories will be available.

Q: Will we still get emails for interviews?

A: Yes. All communications to employers will also be on WaterlooWorks as well.

Q: What are they doing to address the glitch that some emails are not sent?

A: Talk to VP Academic if there are issues. We're not expecting any errors.

Q: Will students be consulted about the merging of WiE and First-Year Mentoring?

A: Yes.

Q: Are there any other student deals in the works?

A: I will be having a meeting with student deals directors – we're working on it. I'll let you guys know at a later date.

Q: How many tickets have been sold for semi-formal?

A: 255. Capacity is around 500.

Q: Can you participate in more than one WEC competition?

A: No, due to overlapping schedules. Some Sanford Fleming competitions may be entered in addition.

6.0 Business (Continued)

6.1. Amendments of the Constitution

- Amendments have been published, and will be discussed at next Council Meeting.

6.2. GitGood

Motion	GitGood																
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students should be provided an easy way to collaborate on group coding assignments. Currently, if multiple students want to work on a coding project, they need to either email each other the files, use a USB, or download Git/Bit Bucket/etc. • It is tedious to install a Git client on each computer that you work on. UWaterloo IST should have as much commonly installed software on their computers as possible. • As Git client is a commonly used software for coding projects, having the Git client on school computers would be a simple quality-of-life improvement for all students with coding assignments. • The Society Executive should be mandated to investigate UW IST having Git (or a similar client) installed on all computers. 																
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A: Ideally, it should be school-wide. If not possible, it should be implemented for Engineering Faculty.				
Amendment		Struck UW IST to involve more parties		
Mover:	TRON 2019			
Secunder:	NANO 2020			
Result:	Passes			
Math and Computer Science will probably back you up. Actually, most Math computers probably already have Git.				
		For:	Against:	Abstain:
Result:	Motion Passes	35	0	1

6.3. EngSoc Aime l'EngSoc

Motion	EngSoc Aime l'EngSoc			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We live in a bilingual country Inclusion is important Once minutes are approved by council, no one should have to change them. We should strive to be as inclusive as possible All Society proceedings should be conducted in both official languages of Canada, English and French. 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nous habitons un pays bilingue. L'inclusion est important <i>Nous devons être aussi inclusif que possible.</i> Toutes les procédures de la Société doivent être menées dans les deux langues officielles du Canada, l'anglais et le français. 			
Mover:	MECH 2018			
Secunder:	CHEM 2017			
Comments:	<p>Executive: This has not considered practically – a translator will need to be brought in for meetings. Congress has paid \$20 000 for a similar implementation. We don't have the resources to manage this.</p> <p>Executive: Events, board meetings, EVERYTHING, has to be translated. This is not practically or economically feasible.</p> <p>There's a typo in the spirit. "important is supposed to be importante"</p> <p>Ontario is not a bilingual Province – Education falls under provincial jurisdiction. Thus, we should not be mandated to communicate in both languages.</p> <p>Noted abstention: TRON 2019</p>			
		For:	Against:	Abstain:
Result:	Motion Fails	0	33	3

6.2. D***s Out for DikDik

Motion	D***s Out for DikDik																			
	This motion has already been passed by B-Society, and we should too. B-Society adopted the Dickcissel and DikDik as the official animals of the Engineering Society. The A-Society should adopt the Dickcissel and Dikdik as the official bird and animal, respectively, of the 'A'-Society. And add this to the document of stances.																			
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Result:	Motion Passes	32	0	4																

6.5. P&P Nominations Round II

Discussion	Nominations for the P&P Awards																					
	<p>P&P Awards is considered to be one of the most prestigious undergraduate engineering awards, provided to 4th year students at Grad Ball. The council provides nominations, from which the Presidents will choose the winners. Person submitting the nomination will be asked to give a 30-minute PowerPoint presentation about nominee after Council Meeting 4.</p> <p>This discussion is an extension from Meeting #2 on Oct. 5th, 2016.</p>																					
Comments	<p>Q: What if you would also like to nominate someone who's already been nominated?</p> <p>A: Speak to the nominator, or give your own presentation.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Nominee</th> <th>Nominator</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Will Wilmot</td> <td>Brian</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sarbajoy Majumdar</td> <td>Awn Duqoum</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adelle Vickery</td> <td>Jeff Gulbronson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Eric Shi</td> <td>Jeff Gulbronson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Matthew Post</td> <td>Pat Duong</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jen Cerullo</td> <td>Julian</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Brian Howe</td> <td>Jeff Gulbronson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Alicia</td> <td>Austin</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ian Holstead</td> <td>Sarbajoy Majumdar</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Nominee	Nominator	Will Wilmot	Brian	Sarbajoy Majumdar	Awn Duqoum	Adelle Vickery	Jeff Gulbronson	Eric Shi	Jeff Gulbronson	Matthew Post	Pat Duong	Jen Cerullo	Julian	Brian Howe	Jeff Gulbronson	Alicia	Austin	Ian Holstead	Sarbajoy Majumdar
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7.0 Director & Affiliate Reports

6.1. WEEF

Speaking: Eric Shi: weef@uwaterloo.ca

- WEEF proposals are extended to the end of tonight. We have around 40 so far.
- By the end of the term, WEEF will have more money to give away!

6.2. Senate

Speaker: Adelle Vickery (Proxy) (pallavi.hukerikar@uwaterloo.ca)

- Last Senate Meeting: Oct. 17th.
- Undergrad Retention rate by admissions average (for the entire university):
 - <90, 76%
 - 90-95: 83%
 - 95+: 90%
- New undergraduate scholarships released: Thomas Howe Scholarship for Environmental Engineering students

Q: Can the statistics be released?

A: Yes.

6.3. FEDS Councillors

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

- Thanks for sending feedback! They have been sent to the appropriate people.
- First years were targeted in the SLC for ICON leases- there is nothing currently in place to stop people from advertising things in SLC.
- Should we mandate that buildings be finished before they can be advertised? YES.

6.4. EngFOC

Speaker: Jared Gour (engfoc@uwaterloo.ca)

- FOC Applications close tonight. Emails have been sent out.

6.6. Other

Speaker: WiE Director, Patricia Duong

- Free entrance & transportation to the Quantum: The Exhibition- open to everyone, including males.

7.0 Varia

7.1 How many days 'til IRS?

94 days 'til IRS!

8.0 Adjournment

Time: 7:13 PM

Motion	Adjourn Fall 2016 Meeting #1
Mover:	MGMT 2021
Secunder:	CIVIL 2020
	Noted Abstains from: MECH 2019 CHEM 2019
Result:	Motion Passes