

# Waterloo Engineering Society 'B'

## Spring Meeting #1

**Date:** Wednesday May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Location:** CPH 3607

**Chair:** Lexa Michaelides

**Secretary:** Sarah Martin

### Attendance:

2020		2019		2018		2017		Other	
1B CHEM	P	2B BME	P	3A CHEM	P	4A CIVE	P	Reduced CL	A
1B ECE -1	P	2B CIVE	P	3A ECE-1	A	4A CHEM	A	Executive	P
1B ECE-2	P	2B CHEM	P	3A ECE-2	A	4A ECE4-1	P	Off-Term Prez	P
1B ENV	P	2B ECE	P	3A ENV	P	4A ECE4-2	P		
1B GEO	P	2B MGMT	P	3A GEO	P	4A ECE8	P		
1BMECH	P	2B MECH	A	3A MECH	P	4A MGMT	P		
1BTRON	P	2B TRON	P	3A TRON	P	4A MECH	P		
1B SYDE	P	2B NANO	P	3A NANO	A	4A SOFT	P		
		2B SOFT	P	3A SYDE	P				

**Total Votes Available:** 37

**Total Votes Present:** 31

## 1.0 Welcome & Call to Order:

**Time:** 5:35pm

Quorum established at 31/37 voting members present.

## 2.0 Approval of Minutes:

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>Approval of Fall 2015 Meeting #5 Minutes</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	CHEM 2018
<b>Secunder:</b>	CHEM 2019
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes

## 3.0 Approval of Engenda:

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>Approval of Spring 2016 Meeting #1 Engenda</b>		
<b>Mover:</b>	CHEM 2018		
<b>Secunder:</b>	ECE 2020		
	<b>Motion:</b>	<b>Strike Fix POETS from the Engenda</b>	
	<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B	
		Abdullah fixed it last term	
	<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes	
	<b>Motion:</b>	<b>Add Ratify Lexa as Speaker to the Engenda</b>	
	<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B	
	<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes	
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## 4.0 Guest Speaker

### 4.1 Hi From FEDS

Speaking: Deanna Priori (vpin@feds.ca) & Brian Schwan (vpof@feds.ca)

- Just introducing themselves
- Deanna is VP Internal, Brian is VP Operations and Finance
- Always want feedback so they can improve
- Come by their offices or email them
- There is also a President (Chris Lolas) and a VP Education (Sarah Wiley)

## 5.0 New Business

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>Ratify the Speaker</b>			
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B			
<b>Secunder:</b>	SOFT 2017			
		<b>For:</b>	<b>Against:</b>	<b>Abstaining:</b>
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes			1

### 5.1 Sponsorship Rollover

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>APPENDIX A – Keep Rolling, Rolling, Rolling (the Funds Over)</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B
	Usually, a percentage of student fees are allocated. Since the budget is tight and money was left over last term, we will reduce the allocation from student fees and take money from last term.
<b>Secunder:</b>	CHEM 2019
<b>Comments:</b>	Q: How much is 15% A: \$5000 Q: Are we only changing the allocation for this term? A: Yes. Q: How much rollover do we have for next term? A: We don't plan for rollover. The whole allocation is supposed to be used up
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes

### 5.2 Budget Overview

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>APPENDIX B – Mo Money, Mo Problems</b>	
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B	
	If you looked at the budget, we are about \$1400 in the negative. We usually budget a deficit since we are a student society. This should be closer to \$3000 since we didn't budget for engineering jazz band or orientation fees. Changed the budget layout. Events with income this term are Pride, EngHack, EngPlay and Semiformal. \$53000 total income. Expenses are standard, directors mostly got what they wanted. \$3000 in the red. This is more than normal but okay.	
<b>Secunder:</b>	CHEM 2018	
<b>Comments:</b>	Q: Why was TalEng budgeted more than asked for? A: Wilfs costs more in the summer since they're not normally open	
	<b>Motion:</b>	<b>Adjust the Budget Total to a \$3185.30 Deficit</b>
	<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B
	<b>Secunder:</b>	SOFT 2017
	<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes
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### 5.3 Leadership Excellence Committee

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>APPENDIX C – All aboard the leaderSHIP!</b>																		
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B																		
	Great way to get involved. It is a \$1000 award given out each term. Those selected are responsible for collecting nominations, creating a shortlist for the committee, and assisting in selecting the winner. You can't win the award if you're on the committee.																		
<b>Seconded:</b>	CHEM 2019																		
<b>Comments:</b>	<p>Accepted Nominations: Rachel Malevich, Quin Millard, Teresa DeCola, Katie Arnold</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="446 588 1429 751"> <tr> <td><b>Motion:</b></td> <td><b>Move into Camera</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Mover:</b></td> <td>SOFT 2017</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Seconded:</b></td> <td>CHEM 2018</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Result:</b></td> <td>Motion Passes</td> </tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moved out of camera</li> <li>Congratulations Quin and Teresa</li> </ul> <table border="1" data-bbox="446 829 1429 993"> <tr> <td><b>Motion:</b></td> <td><b>Amend to Include the Names of those Elected</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Mover:</b></td> <td>SOFT 2017</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Seconded:</b></td> <td>CHEM 2019</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Result:</b></td> <td>Motion Passes</td> </tr> </table>			<b>Motion:</b>	<b>Move into Camera</b>	<b>Mover:</b>	SOFT 2017	<b>Seconded:</b>	CHEM 2018	<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes	<b>Motion:</b>	<b>Amend to Include the Names of those Elected</b>	<b>Mover:</b>	SOFT 2017	<b>Seconded:</b>	CHEM 2019	<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes
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### 5.4 Course Selection

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>APPENDIX D – Make Course Selection Less Shitty</b>			
<b>Mover:</b>	SOFT 2017			
	Scheduling electives is hard. Each department displays their lists differently which makes it very confusing. Course selection is very difficult without using 3 <sup>rd</sup> party software such as UW Flow. Engineering should be setting an example to the rest of the school in helping students to pick the required courses in the correct terms. If this isn't possible, engineering should be pushing the school at large to correct this.			
<b>Seconded:</b>	CHEM 2017			
<b>Comments:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some departments don't actually even list them out for you</li> </ul> <p>Q: What does this entail from EngSoc?  A: EngSoc is able to tell people that we don't like it. If executive and the engineering undergrad office can advocate for this, we have more power</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mandate for all exec. They can decide who should pursue this further</li> <li>Motion is unspecific. We may need to be clearer on what we want</li> <li>Attempting to raise the issue and get the ball rolling. More specifics will follow</li> </ul>			
		For:	Against:	Abstaining:
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes		2	2

## 6.0 Business Arising

### 6.1 Mental Health Resources

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>APPENDIX E – Need some Counselling</b>																									
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B																									
	We want this mandate that passed on A Soc last term. Currently there are 2 new part time counsellors. We still want another full time counsellor. In the fall term, we will be getting a full-time social work intern from Laurier. We're making progress but not fast enough.																									
<b>Secunder:</b>	CHEM 2020																									
<b>Comments:</b>	<p>Q: Motion says something about meeting short term needs. Elaborate.  A: We want the counsellors to meet with people faster.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We want a mandate from council because it gives us more backing</li> </ul> <p>Q: What mental health services other than counselling?  A: Lunchtime activity destress. MATES program (peer mentoring). Group therapy through counselling services.</p> <p>Q: What would you be adding onto that?  A: MATES more accessible. General expansion. Need to get the university to want to hire more councilors.</p> <p>Q: I know they were toying with walk in counselling. Are we considering that for engineering?  A: Not sure if it's in the works yet. In an emergency they already try their best to make it happen.</p> <p>Q: Do we need to specify outside of class hours?  A: They're starting to implement on call councilors. There will already be someone on duty. Get hours outside of class hours.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 20%;"><b>Motion:</b></td> <td colspan="3"><b>Friendly Amendment: modify the motion to read "be available outside of typical class hours for example after 5:30pm and lunch time"</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Mover:</b></td> <td colspan="3">CHEM 2020</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Secunder:</b></td> <td colspan="3">ECE 20202</td> </tr> <tr> <td rowspan="3"><b>Comments:</b></td> <td style="width: 20%;"><b>Motion:</b></td> <td colspan="2"><b>Friendly Amendment: modify the amendment to reach "extend the hours beyond the end of the last available appointment"</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Mover:</b></td> <td colspan="2">Executive B</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Secunder:</b></td> <td colspan="2">CHEM 2018</td> </tr> </table>				<b>Motion:</b>	<b>Friendly Amendment: modify the motion to read "be available outside of typical class hours for example after 5:30pm and lunch time"</b>			<b>Mover:</b>	CHEM 2020			<b>Secunder:</b>	ECE 20202			<b>Comments:</b>	<b>Motion:</b>	<b>Friendly Amendment: modify the amendment to reach "extend the hours beyond the end of the last available appointment"</b>		<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B		<b>Secunder:</b>	CHEM 2018	
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## 6.2 Change the Ranking System

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>APPENDIX F – Ranks are for the Militaries</b>			
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B			
	The system is being implemented this term. Fall term rankings were supposed to be the last set of rankings to be emailed out. There will be a website with CAS authentication that you can visit to see the rankings.			
<b>Seconder:</b>	CHEM 2019			
<b>Comments:</b>	<p>Q: Why do we need to pass this?</p> <p>A: It passed on A Soc last term. We should show that we support this change.</p> <p>Q: How do you know that this is detrimental to the majority of the students?</p> <p>A: There are a lot of students who don't want to know their rank. Emailing the rankings forces them to see it.</p> <p>Q: How many students?</p> <p>A: I don't have a number. I can look into it</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There's nothing quite like receiving an email stating that you're 63<sup>rd</sup> of 63</li> <li>• Faculty doesn't normally react until they notice a lot of complaints. There must be a significant amount of people that dislike receiving rankings.</li> <li>• Ranking system can be a point of inspiration</li> <li>• If you want to see your rank you still can</li> <li>• As is you don't have to look, you can just delete the email</li> <li>• People feel like they have to look. The extra layer may help</li> <li>• An email telling them the rank is available would be the same thing</li> <li>• A Soc has passed this motion and the rankings change is happening</li> </ul> <p>Q: Will there still be an email</p> <p>A: Not sure. Will enquire</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brought forward by a first year rep who did a lot of research</li> <li>• The current ranking system plays into waterloo culture</li> <li>• Will it hurt our validity if we endorse things that are already happening</li> </ul>			
<b>Motion:</b>	<b>Call the Motion to Question</b>			
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B			
<b>Seconder:</b>	ECE 2020			
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Fails			
<b>Motion:</b>	<b>Table the Motion Indefinitely</b>			
<b>Mover:</b>	SOFT 2017			
<b>Seconder:</b>	MECH 2018			
<b>Comments:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the motion cannot be withdrawn, it should be tabled indefinitely</li> </ul> <p>Q: Is there anything that could reverse this change?</p> <p>A: This isn't a change coming from us. The faculty has already done this.</p>			
		For:	Against:	Abstaining:
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes			2
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Tabled Indefinitely			

### 6.3 International Fee Hike

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>APPENDIX G – These Fees Be Too Damn High</b>			
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B			
	Another stance from last term. If we have the whole society on board we have a lot more power than just half.			
<b>Second:</b>	SOFT 2017			
<b>Comments:</b>	<p>Q: We're taking a stance against it?</p> <p>A: Yes. We agree with them. We all think the fee hikes are bad.</p> <p>Q: Has there been explanations for the fee hikes?</p> <p>A: They needed to find money and the restrictions on domestic student fee hikes are stricter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International fees are on the scale of \$30000 very high. The increase of 9% would be very significant</li> </ul> <p>Q: Did they make a comment on what they need more money for?</p> <p>A: More requests from the faculty than normal</p>			
		For:	Against:	Abstaining:
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes			1

### 6.4 Fix POETS

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>APPENDIX H – Make POETS Great Again 2016</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Struck from the Engenda

### 6.5 Motion to Allow More Pairs

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>APPENDIX I – It's Dangerous To Go Alone</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B
	The constitution says that if you're going on an 8 month co-op you can still be an executive. At present, it does not allow those going on exchange the same luxury. This allows people going on exchange to run in a pair.
<b>Second:</b>	Off-Term Prez
	The board approved this for our current VP externals. We want to add this to the constitution so the board doesn't always need to approve pairs.
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes

### 6.6 Motion to Be On Campus

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>APPENDIX J – EngSoc Doesn't Do Long Distance</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B
	At the moment, you could be on exchange and be executive at the same time. This motion requires the executive to be in Waterloo while they are executives.
<b>Second:</b>	CHEM 2018
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes

## 6.7 Motion to Remove Gaps

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>APPENDIX K – Mind the Gap</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B
	There’s about 2 weeks between terms where there are no executives. The work has typically already been transitioned to the new executive team. We’re just making sure that we always have executives.
<b>Second:</b>	MECH 2018
<b>Comments:</b>	Q: Has this gap caused difficulties? A: No. We just would like to fix it. Q: Did this pass on A Soc? A: Yes
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes

## 6.8 Teaching Award Nominations

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>APPENDIX L – Don’t You Forget About Me</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive B
	The goal is to make it easier for the off term VP Education to exercise their vote on the committee. By allowing a designate or email, this ensures that the off term society has a voice.
<b>Second:</b>	TRON 2020
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes



## 7.0 Executive Updates

### 7.1 President

Speaking: Hannah Gautreau (president.b@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- Elections are happening this term
- Nominations open next week for President, VP Operations and Finance, VP Student Life, VP Communications, and VP Academic
- This will be the first election with new structure
- Info session May 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 in POETS
- Working with the SSO to put together new midterm and finals workshops. The goal is to take what you learned in 1A and improve in 1B. We will need volunteers, stay tuned.
- Pearl Sullivan has returned part time from her leave, Richard Dean is the acting dean
- The Council Review Committee is working to reevaluate structure of council. There is a new structure in progress. It will be run by the board of directors then presented at JAGM
- Working on wrapping up my initiatives
- Q: When in June is JAGM?
- A: June 26th

### 7.2 Vice President Education

Speaking: Anson Chen (vpeducation.b@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- Working on an online rate your work terms tool. Invited by CECA to work on Rate My Work Term which is an official tool which will be fully integrated with Waterloo Works. The invitation has also been extended to other societies
- It should be launched Fall 2016 for Architecture, Winter 2017 for all students
- Q: Would prefer the tool not be associated with CECA. Past experience suggests they are more interested in what can be put in a brochure.
- A: CECA does have our interests at heart. They do want to benefit us. We're willing to show some faith. They are also showing faith in us by inviting our involvement. We should at least give it a shot. It would look bad on us to refuse to work with them.
- Q: It is actually just called the tool?
- A: No, it is rate my work term. It is not associated with the Tool.
- Exam bank raffles are back this term. Anything submitted between the beginning of term and the day of the raffle will be an entry
- Senate discussed whether students should be allowed to share course content with external agencies and other students. The University wants to add a clause to Policy 71 disallowing students from sharing course content with other students and external agencies. This could be harmful to students who are sharing content with other students and have good intentions. The goal of the change is to deal with external agencies and not to harm students.
- Q: What was the result with the policy amendment?
- A: part relating to external agencies passed onto senate for approval. Part relating to other students was tabled for reconsideration

- Q: Amending policies to reflect something in the Canadian criminal code may not be necessary
- A: The University not only wants to amend the policy, they also want notifications on course syllabus reminding students that all content is intellectual property of the professor

### 7.3 Vice President External

Speaking: Kieran Broekhoven (vpexternal.b@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- Education outreach directors want to run a design competition for high school students. They will be organizing it this term to run next winter
- ESSCO AGM coming up soon. Not many other conferences this summer. Conference info session towards the end of term.
- Archineering is running this term
- Pride is happening. Watch out for emails as the event is first come first serve
- Starting an EngSoc community garden in the purpling area. It has been approved by us and by Plant Ops. Currently it is getting approval from the Dean's office. It should be running by the end of May.
- Q: Where will purpling happen?
- A: There's plenty of space
- Q: Are the plans for the garden available?
- A: Plans have been changed considerably because of funding. I can get and circulate them
- Q: How will this be maintained?
- A: First year, St. Paul's has offered to help us learn how to care for it. After that we should be self-reliant. If there is nobody to take care of it for a term St. Paul's is willing to help.
- If anyone wants to help with a women in tech conference. Volunteer at Clarisse's conference
- Q: When will application for Canada day volunteers be open?
- A: TBD, the Steering Committee is difficult to work with

### 7.4 Vice President Finance

Speaking: Don Tu (vpfinance.b@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- Currently getting things up and running again
- Novelties open every weekday from 11:30-1:30
- Working on bringing in new stuff. Sig Figs patch and BEvERage themed patch should arrive in a few weeks
- Rigidware is also open at Tuesday 11:30-12:30, Wednesday 4:30-5:20, and Thursday 11:30-1:20
- Rigidware has Square so you can pay with credit card
- Coveralls on sale May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, 11:30-1:30. \$90 for coveralls, patch, and embroidery
- Leather jacket day is May 12<sup>th</sup>
- Q: Can we get an update on the 8oz glasses?
- A: Novelties is sold out. We are looking into getting them from a different supplier. This will be more expensive. They will probably cost \$4 instead of \$2.
- Q: Will there be a fire sale soon?
- A: Maybe. Stay tuned.

- Q: Can we do a t-shirt design competition?
- A: We have many things in the works at the moment.

#### 7.5 Vice President Internal

Speaking: Kieran Broekhoven on behalf of Teresa Lumini (vpinternal.b@engsoc.uwaterloo.ca)

- Resume critiques after this meeting and sometime next week
- Engplay auditions are happening
- BOT May 12<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm in POETS. The event will be licensed. According to POETS directors, “Literally all the cheese”

## 8.0 Affiliate Updates

### 8.1 WEEF

Not Present

### 8.2 Iron Warrior

Speaking: Brian Mailloux (iwarrior@uwaterloo.ca)

- The paper comes out 2 weeks from now
- If you want to write, the deadline is May 19<sup>th</sup>
- Meetings are on Tuesdays at 5:30. IW office. E2 – 2347

### 8.3 Senate

Not Present

### 8.4 Feds Councilors

Not Present

### 8.5 Engineers Without Borders

Not Present

### 8.6 EngFOC

Speaking: Netharyn Gourenzel (engfoc@uwaterloo.ca)

- Finished hiring all the leaders
- Leaders, sign up for training
- Questions? Ask me or send me an email
- Q: Where is summer leader retreat?
- A: RCH 101 on June 25<sup>th</sup>

### 8.7 Gradcomm

Speaking: Mattrisse Dickhowe (UWgradcomm@gmail.com)

- Fourth years, we need your classes to start signing up for grad photos
- You should have the schedule for your grad class photo. Inform your classes
- Each class needs a yearbook editor. 6 pages of pictures of you
- Event t-shirts will be on sale May 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> before the event on May 13<sup>th</sup>
- Shirts also available at event and be sold again before the next event
- Pizza for sale Wednesdays 11:30-1:30

## 9.0 Varia

9.1 How many days, 4<sup>th</sup> years?

268 days 'til IRS!

## 10.0 Adjournment

**Time:** 7:08pm

<b>Motion:</b>	Adjourn Spring 2016 Meeting #1
<b>Mover:</b>	SOFT 2017
<b>Second:</b>	ECE 2020
<b>Result:</b>	Motion Passes