



Saskatoon Engineering Student's Society



# Agenda I

## It's Not Cheap to Council This Hard

### S.E.S.S. Council Meeting

September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017



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## 1. Call to Order

The Chair call the meeting to order at 19:01

Student groups present: SPE, USST, EWB, Husky, Steel Bridge, Aero

Discipline societies present: PSS, IEEE, MESA, CSCE, GESS, EnvESS, CHES

### 1.1. Welcome to Council

Number of Voting Members: 18

## 2. Adoption of the Agenda

<b>Proposal 01</b>	
<b>Title:</b>	Agenda
<b>Mover:</b>	Noah, seconded by Tyler
<b>Goal:</b>	To establish the order of proceedings for the Council Meeting.
<b>BIRT:</b>	The Agenda be adopted as displayed on screen.
<b>Result:</b>	Passed
<b>For:</b>	18
<b>Against:</b>	0
<b>Abstain:</b>	0

## 3. Approval of Minutes [Last Council Meeting Minutes]

<b>Proposal 02</b>	
<b>Title:</b>	Previous Minutes
<b>Mover:</b>	Bobby, seconded by Shanleigh
<b>Goal:</b>	To officially approve minutes from the previous Council meeting.
<b>BIRT:</b>	The members acknowledge that the minutes are correct as circulated through email and can be officially adopted.
<b>Result:</b>	Passed
<b>For:</b>	18
<b>Against:</b>	0
<b>Abstain:</b>	0

## 4. Updates

### President

- Few meetings
- Met with the university about alcohol policy
- Met with David D'eon about not raising tuition
- Spent last weekend with Noah at PM in Vancouver



- Real Cool
- Working on broad policy updates
- Currently running a by-election for VP Admin
  - Logan Hunter is the only one running
  - Forum is tomorrow at 4:30 pm in the Lounge

## Student Affairs

- Orientation
  - Worked with university more than previous years
  - Sending comments to university about how we can improve
  - More students (almost 350 (200 last year))
- SEM working group
  - Consists of representatives from the discipline departments and Sean Maw
    - Working to make recommendations to revamp first-year
  - Talking about what makes us cooler than other people
    - (Is actually about how we can better ourselves, and what makes us unique from other colleges)
- First-Year Council
  - Will be meeting Thursdays
- Mental Health Week
  - Working to provide more services to students and gaining more sponsorship
- Recruitment and Development
  - Will be meeting with Noreen and the Dean
  - (Hopefully) Getting funding
  - APEGS has some money too

## Finances

- Courtney is absent
- Started using a cash out system for the Store
  - Removes ambiguity about our stores budget and operations
- More food available in the store
- Trying to redo the merchandise in the store
- Trying to finish the Not-For-Profit paperwork (due in December)

## Communications

- Tank
  - With Bjorn till x-mas
  - Recently painted by Agro's
    - They shall pay
  - No moral commissioner (yet)
    - Matt will organise the first prank (go Matt)
    - No budget for this
  - Sidewalk Painting



- Going over the policy, updating
- Was cancelled a few hours before (boo)
  - Charging too much money for clean up
  - Ask Gillian and she will rant about it
- Dean doesn't want to get involved
- No one knows why they did this
- Gonna show them the what-for with their policy
- Will be getting together with Noreen soon

### Administration

- Few updates
- Changing core contracts about ads
  - o Probably just for Red Book
  - o Updates will be coming
- More streamlined contracts
- Got them mugs
  - o Went great but a Hurricane screwed us over
  - o But we got them now, so come get yours
  - o People seem to be liking the Coffee Mugs
- Getting close to making our Assumed budget
- Lars has new website running
  - o Still making adjustments
  - o Contact Logan for questions for Lars
- Q: Did we cancel our old contracts for the Website
- A: no, we are now going through the university, so they are forcing us to put ads up
- Q: What kind of ads?
- A: CU (ad company) found ads for us, we get 50%

### Corporate Relations

- A couple sponsors
  - o SaskTel came in yesterday with money
    - Praise
    - The budget may not be 100% accurate now
- Looking for a coffee sponsor for Monday Morning Coffee
- Updating letterheads and email signatures
- Work with career dev for Career Expo
  - o Riley is just working on final report
- Movember planning is going well
- Q: are we looking into Fair Trade Coffee for the sponsors? (Talk to EWB for some info on Fair-Trade)
- A: Bobby doesn't really know, Andrew might.



## External Affairs

- APEGS meeting
  - o Cut student engagement activities fund
    - We didn't use it, so they don't want to give it to us
    - NOT the pool that discipline societies pull from
  - o Task force for the engagement fund
    - Looking for two members to be on the committee
    - Brief discussion about getting more people aware of APEGS

Q: Do we know who APEGS is funding and therefore who to ask for money?

A: We don't. Apply for funding through the SES

Q: Deadline for APEGS funding?

A: Sometime in October. No concrete date. (probs lying about October, Should be finalized end of December)

- WESST Exec meeting happened this summer
  - o Experience with how other societies operate
- UBC Vancouver left WESST last year
  - o Still included in plans because they left too late in the year to change anything
    - Will not be allowed to attend meetings without joining WESST
- Q: Why did they leave?
- A: The current exec felt they did not get enough out of WESST. They will be reviewing their decision at the end of this year.
- CFES PM hosted by SFU Burnaby
  - o Budgeted for only Noah going
    - Bobby went anyways
    - Ended up saving a lot of money
      - Also gave Noah a bunch of stress
    - Laid groundwork to become a founding member of the Coalition of International Engineering Student Organizations (CIESO)
    - SESS was the first organization to sign on (#First)
    - Other members of the group include
      - Board of European Students of Technology (BEST)
      - Germany equivalent (BONDING)
      - America's equivalent (NAESC)
      - First IEC held in 2020
    - CEC (2019) hosted by Waterloo "A"
  - o Will have a report on PM before heading to his next meeting
- WESST AGMR (Annual General Meeting Retreat) is his next meeting
  - o In two weeks
  - o Same camp (but with UVIC)
  - o No Agenda yet
  - o Elections for the WESST exec will happen
    - Short application period due to the lack of money to send people
    - Bobby, Logan, and Shanleigh will be going
      - Paying themselves to go



- SEC (Nov 4<sup>th</sup>) more info to come
- CFES diversity is hosted by McMasters (Hamilton) Nov 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>
  - o Applications will be out in a few weeks
- CFES Congress Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> by Dalhousie (Halifax)
- WEC (Jan 10-14<sup>th</sup>) Vancouver by BCIT (British Columbia Institute of Technology)
- CFES CEC March 1<sup>st</sup> -4<sup>th</sup> Toronto by Ryerson
- To go to WEC and CEC you must win at SEC

## Events

- New sponsors
- Twisted Tartan is amazing to work with
- Molson may be sponsoring
- Scavenger hunt sucked
- Kool-aid rocked
- As did Paintball
- Bxxr Olympics made some money
  - o We lost 😞
- Tank Senior is painted
  - o They will pay
- Blades Night Oct 6<sup>th</sup> (not expecting many people to go due to Thanksgiving)
  - o Letterkenny will be there (the hockey players)

## Others

### GESS

- World Mining Competition
  - o We need more people to participate
  - o Business dominated comp.
  - o Great prep for WEC
  - o End of Oct (weekend of 26<sup>th</sup>)
  - o Bessborough and Business and health Sci
  - o Email [riley.stefaniuk@usask.ca](mailto:riley.stefaniuk@usask.ca) for more info
  - o Deadline is over, but you may still be able to register anyways
- Discussion: A lot of miscommunication has occurred, resulting in people not even knowing about it.
  - o SESS has made Facebook posts
  - o Riley was supposed to email

## 5. Old Business

None



## 6. New Business

### Approval of the SESS 2017-2018 Academic Year Annual Budget

<b>Proposal 03</b>	
<b>Title:</b>	Approval of the Annual Budget
<b>Mover:</b>	Executive
<b>Goal:</b>	To approve the SESS annual budget for the 2017-2018 fiscal year.
<b>BIRT:</b>	The members accept and adopt the budget for the SESS as presented in the attached documents.
<b>Result:</b>	Passed
<b>For:</b>	18
<b>Against:</b>	0
<b>Abstain:</b>	0

- Will be looking into buying our own printer (will need approval for a deficit)

## 7. Discussion

### Increase to SESS Membership Fee

- Running a tight budget, so we could up the membership fees to bring in some more money
- Most schools of our size have a much larger, opt-out, membership fee
- Increased the fee to \$30

### Mental Health Week

- If there is something you would like to see (trying to get an event every day (so far, we have four)) talk to Shanleigh
- Adult colouring pages, hot chocolate (donated by Timmies (in Vancouver)), yoga class in the lounge (got promo cards from the studio), maybe some massages from Kin., therapy dogs, workshops.
- Nov 27 – Dec 1<sup>st</sup>
- Q: are we paying?
- A: not really

## 8. Adjournment

The chair will entertain a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting at: 20:16

Moved by: Josh

Seconded: Noah H.