Mathematics Society General Meeting

October 21st, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 5:03pm.

Ty Rozak nominated Sean Hunt as speaker, with a second from Elan Alkhazov, it was accepted.

With no other nominations, and no objections, Sean Hunt was named speaker for the meeting.

Edward Lee brought up a point of order regarding matters pertaining to council.

Sean Hunt declined the Point of Order stating that matters pertaining to council should be left to council meetings.

Edward Lee brought up a point of order regarding section 7.2 of the bylaws, stating that there was not the required 10 business days of visible notice, stating posters were not posted until 5 business days before the meeting, and notice was not posted in time by MathNews.

Sean Hunt stated that the meeting was given advance notice 10 business days before by e-mail and on the MathSoc website. He then stated that since “appropriate student publications” is ambiguous, it was up to the chair to interpret this ambiguity. He noted that following the November 25th GM’s precedent, MathSoc’s website is an appropriate student publication, which as mentioned previously, gave notice 10 business days before the meeting. With this, he declined the point of order.

Lauren Hurley gave a report as President.

Anthony Liu gave a report as VPF.

Darcy Alemany brought up a point of order stating that Anthony was not speaking loud enough.

Sean Hunt accepted the point of order, telling Anthony Liu to speak up.

Ty Rozak gave a report as VPO.

Nancy Yang gave a report as VPE.

Due to absence, Kevin Shi was unable to give his report as VPA.

Jazbel Wang gave a report as MEF Director.

Ty Rozak moved:

*To make the following changes to the Memorandum of Understanding between MathSoc and Math Orientation:*

1. **Add 3.1.7:** “Provide the Math Orientation Committee with appropriate funds for the purpose of sending welcome letters to First Year Students in Canada.”

2. **Add 3.2.1 A):** “Storage room should be appropriately cleaned by the Monday of the second full week of classes of the Fall Term;”
• Add 3.2.6: “Include any letter or item (approved by Waterloo Orientation) in the package sent to First Year Students;”

• Add 3.2.7: “Notify Council of any proposed changes to the MOU by October 1st of the current year.”

• Add: “Feds Representative: _______________________________” to section 6.0 in between the lines for FOC Reps and OA.

And to re-approve it from January 1st, 2015 to December 31st, 2015.

The next item on the agenda was referendum discussion with the following rationale:

As the President received no motions pertaining to the referendum that was to be held at the beginning of October, this agenda item has been added so as to foster discussion on the actions that should be taken by MathSoc.

Edward Lee brought up a point of order, requesting if the referendum to be discussed is in order. This is because the Spring GM did not actually settle on a decision to hold the referendum or not.

Darcy Alemany brought up a point of information, asking if people can communicate during a point of order.

Sean Hunt responded to it saying it was acceptable.

Sean Hunt stated that since the referendum was within 4 years of a directly related referendum, it should be considered a reconsideration. This means that it required as many of 179 members to call the referendum. Thus, the point of order is valid and the Spring GM’s motion to hold a referendum was out of order and invalid.

Discussion resumed on the subject of the referendum.

Darcy Alemany brought up a point of information, asking what kind of motions can be brought up at a general meeting

Sean Hunt clarified that any motion not requiring notice is valid to make during a general meeting.

Darcy Alemany, with second from Keegan Parker, made a motion to: “Task the VPF to investigate whether or not it is appropriate for MathSoc to take action to ensure Spring term budgets are sustainable, and if so, recommend possible actions to be taken. Additionally, present these findings at the next General Meeting.”

The motion passed

Seeing as there was no more business, Sean declared the meeting adjourned at 5:35pm.