

Mathematics Society Council Minutes

March 31, 2015

The regular meeting of the Mathematics Society Council was called to order at 6:02 PM. The Speaker was in the chair, and the Secretary was present.

The following voting members were in attendance, on time:

- Tristan Potter (President; Speaker)
- Keegan Parker (VPO)
- Elan Alkhazov (VPF)
- Isabel Ji (AS; Secretary)
- Siddharth Asokan (AS)
- Jazbel Wang (CS; Feds Councillor)
- Sean Harrap (CS)
- Alice (Yihan) Zhou (First-Year)
- Deanna Darby Barton (First-Year)
- Matthew Silver (First-Year)
- Anna Chen (Math/Business)
- Shale Craig (SE 15)
- Andrew McBurney (SE 19)
- Qici (Catherine) Tan (Stats)

The following voting members were not in attendance:

- Elana Hashman (VPE)
- Azoacha Forcheh (Math/Business)
- Jia Yi Cheng (Math/Business)
- Shuo (Claire) Jin (Math/Business)
- Farwa Naqi (SE 17)

The following non-voting members were in attendance:

- Alice Wang (Stats Club VPF)

The following guests were in attendance:

- Gayle Goodfellow (Representative of the Dean)
- Amy Yu (Candidate for VPI)
- Louise Liu (Spring 2015 VPO)
- Ronnie Yiu (Math/CPA student)
- Gloria Huang (Candidate for VPI)

The minutes of the previous Council meeting were approved after correction.

Isabel moved to approve \$900 for food at the Math Orientation Winter Leader Retreat on March 28, 2015, seconded by Shale. Math Orientation has traditionally requested MathSoc sponsorship for Leader Appreciation, but will be approaching MEF this year for that event. Shale moved to table the motion until the first Council meeting of the Spring 2015 term, seconded by Elan. The motion was postponed.

Shale moved to approve \$1001 for Math Orientation leader gear, seconded by Keegan. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Council heard a report from Elan, Vice-President, Finance, on behalf of the Capital Improvement Fund (CIF) Committee, recommending the following:

- To approve \$10,000 for the Comfy renovations to satisfy the conditions to secure \$48,000 of sponsorship from MEF; and
- To approve \$675 for Stats Club to purchase a laptop, laptop lock, and obtain permanent MathSoc branding on the laptop.

Keegan moved to accept the CIF report and adopt its recommendations, seconded by Matthew. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Council heard a report from Elan, Vice-President, Finance, on behalf of the External Funding Committee (EFC), recommending the following:

- To approve \$0 for future events of the UW Finance Association, because no figures were proposed;
- To approve \$0 for future events of the UW DECA, because no figures were proposed; and
- To approve \$0 for Waterloo iGEM competition fees, because no figures were proposed.

Sean moved to accept the EFC report and adopt its recommendations, seconded by Shale. The motion was adopted.

Sean moved to increase the Stats Club EOT budget from \$0 to \$470, seconded by Elan. The motion was withdrawn after discussion.

Elan moved to increase the Stats Club Prof Talk 2 budget from \$90 to \$120, seconded by Keegan. The motion was adopted.

Elan moved to increase the Stats Club EOT budget from \$0 to \$470, seconded by Keegan. Sean moved to table this motion to the next Council meeting at latest, pending reception of a detailed budget breakdown, seconded by Keegan. The motion was adopted.

Council heard a presentation from Shale on behalf of the Budget Overview Committee (BOC). The BOC's recommendations are summarized in [Appendix A](#).

Shale moved to task Elan to modify the clubs' budget template to include a column for expected attendance and budgeted cost-per-person, seconded by Keegan. The motion was adopted.

Shale moved to approve \$300 for the Stats Club EOT budget, seconded by Keegan. Keegan moved to amend \$300 to \$82 (based on the venue capacity of 94 people, estimated cost of \$3 per person, and subtracting the \$200 already allocated for the ActSci Club EOT), seconded by Elan. Shale moved to call the question on the amendment, seconded by Deanna. The motion to call the question was adopted. The amendment was adopted. Shale moved to call the question on the original motion, seconded by Deanna. The motion to call the question was defeated 3-4. The motion to approve \$82 for the Stats Club EOT budget was adopted.

Isabel moved to remove the motion increase the Stats Club EOT budget from \$0 to \$470 from the table for consideration. The motion was defeated; Shale notably abstained.

Council heard a proposal from Ronnie Yiu (email for presentation and constitution) to establish a Math/CPA Student Association as a club under MathSoc. The presentation is in [Appendix B](#).

Shale moved to decline this proposal, seconded by Keegan. Shale moved to table the motion until Council has had an opportunity to review the proposed constitution and the proposer has obtained a faculty advisor, seconded by Keegan. The motion was adopted.

Council heard a report from Elan, Vice-President, Finance, regarding the investigation of the outstanding \$7500-balance for Math Orientation 2012. Sean Duncan, Feds Societies' Accountant was able to provide supporting documentation for the invoiced amount. This documentation is in [Appendix C](#). Sean Duncan has verbally promised that going forward, expenses charged to MathSoc will be better documented.

Keegan moved to approve \$7500 for Math Orientation 2012 expenses, with the stipulation that MathSoc will pay no further amounts for Math Orientation 2012, seconded by Deanna. The motion was adopted.

Council heard a presentation from Shale regarding the creation of a handbook to onboard new councillors. Council suggested adding an introduction to Robert's Rules of Order and sample event calendar to the handbook.

Shale moved to task Council to form a committee to propose a mission for MathSoc in the first meeting of the Spring 2015 term, seconded by Keegan. Please forward any suggestions to Spring 2015 President, Deanna Darby Barton (ddarbyba@uwaterloo.ca).

Keegan moved to ratify Luke Scollard and Julie Sturgeon as Computer Science Program Representatives for the Spring 2015 term, seconded by Elan. The motion was adopted.

Shale moved to task each outgoing MathSoc President to conduct a ceremony at a Council meeting near the end of their term where they pass responsibility to the incoming MathSoc President, seconded by Deanna. The motion was adopted.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.