Minutes

June 10, 2015 at 18:38 in MC 5417

Speaker: Tristan Potter

Secretary: Patrick Melanson

The following voting members were in attendance:
Deanna D. B.  Katherine T.  Melody T. Q.
Gloria H.  Jazbel C. W.  Fatema H. B.
Julie S.  Luke S.  Sean H.

The following voting members were not in attendance, with regrets:
Louise Y. L.  Abby H.  Tristan P.

The following voting members were not in attendance, without regrets:
Muhammad A. R.  Raymond L.  Victor C.

The following non-voting members were in attendance:
Darrell A.  Stats Club  President
Fiorella V.  MathSoc  Social member
Srishti G.  MathSoc  Social member
Lily H.  MathSoc  Office manager, Novelties Director
Patrick M.  MathSoc  Secretary

CONSENT

Fatema moved the consent agenda

Motion By Fatema to approve the May 26 and May 28 minutes. Motion carried after amendments to minutes.

Information Executive Reports

1. President
2. Vice President, Academic
3. Vice President, Finance
4. Vice President, Internal
5. Vice President, Operations

REGULAR

Motion by VPF to appoint _____, _____, and _____ to CIF committee. Fatema nominated herself, seconded by Deanna. Julie nominated herself, seconded by Deanna. No other nominations. Fatema and Julie were appointed unanimously to CIF committee for Spring 2015.

Motion by Fatema to Approve CIF funding for two hard drives for WiCS machines. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by VPI to amend Stats Club BOT budget from $150 to $212.44 and change EOT budget from $75 to ______. Speaker split the motion, considering BOT and EOT separately.

Motion by Fatema to amend BOT budget from $150 to $212.44, seconded by Katherine. Fatema amended $212.44 to $200. Motion carried 3–2, Julie and Sean notably against.

Motion by Sean to amend EOT budget from $75 to $100, seconded by Fatema. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by President Deanna Darby Barton to take a stance on calculators allowed during exams, as follows after friendly amendments:

Whereas the student body was not consulted in the creation of the new calculator policy stated here.
Whereas based on feedback given directly by students, students do not support moving to one calculators.
Whereas learning to use a new calculator can be a serious inconvenience for students when doing exams and assessments.
Whereas asking students to purchase a new calculator is an undue hardship.

BIRT the Mathematics Society will advocate for a change in calculator policy in line with the feedback from students.
BIFRT more than one calculator brand will be approved for use in midterm and final examinations at the University.
BIFRT the approved list of calculators will contain those which students feel most comfortable using.
BIFRT the approved list of calculators will contain those which many students already own, so new ones do not need to be purchased.

Deanna motioned to postpone the motion to the next meeting. Motion to postpone failed. Motion to approve the stance failed. Motion failed.

Agenda amended by speaker to include the following:
1. Recess at 19:02 until 19:15
2. VPI report after recess
3. Motion by orientation after office chairs item

Motion by Deanna to approve $4,000 for novelties. Motion failed 0–6.

Motion by Deanna to approve $600 for two office chairs from CIF. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Jazbel to approve $1,000 for Summer leader retreat food for 200 people. Motion failed 0–6.

Recommendations of the elections committee presented by Sean, as follows:
1. June 11–19 is nominations period
2. June 18–24 is campaigning period
3. June 25–26 is voting period

Motion by Sean to task VPI with requesting DDC to come to next council meeting and to task President with researching WLSU policy on membership. Motion carried.

Motion by Fatema to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 20:14.
EXECUTIVE REPORTS

PRESIDENT

EXTERNAL INTERACTIONS

• Met with Feds VP Internal with the other society presidents to plan events and discuss societies agreement
• Had an interview with Imprint about the new calculator policy
• Attended first PAC meeting

INTERNAL INTERACTIONS

• Created a survey for Waterloo students about the calculator policy
• Planned GM, Canada Day and Pi Day events for the term

ADVANCEMENT AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Meet with Steve Furino about the new calculator policy
• Planned events with other faculties
• Learning L\TeX with the rest of the executives at the request of the Speaker

VICE PRESIDENT, ACADEMIC

EXTERNAL INTERACTIONS

• Educational Advisory Committee meeting tomorrow

INITIATIVES AND ADVOCACY

• Met with Dan Wolczuk and representatives from counselling and Student Success Office for mental health talk
• Booked meeting with Steven Furino RE: Calculator Policy changes

VICE PRESIDENT, FINANCE

STATE OF MATHSOC OPERATIONAL ACCOUNTS

• Status of budget approval by Feds (TBA)
• Currently at a $1800 deficit, after removing capital expenditures from all club budgets
• Cuts proposed by clubs, outlined in regular agenda
• Increased office revenue due to new calculator policy
STATE OF OTHER AFFAIRS

- Membership fees for the term have been collected from STAT, ACTSCI and CSC. Outstanding clubs are BIC, FARMSA, MFSA, PMC and TSA.
- Membership fees from prior terms were collected from STAT.
- Convening CIF, appointments in regular agenda
- EFC meeting set up for June 17 to review submitted proposals (1 so far, others pending)

VICE PRESIDENT, INTERNAL

EVENTS

- Talked to the President of EngSoc about cooperative events
- Pi Day is planned for July 22, 2015. Currently looking for more volunteers
- Party with Profs is in the works, booking location next week.

INTERNAL INTERACTIONS

- Discussed the status of the Double Degree Club (DDC) fee with the DDC executives
- Met with other executives to determine areas of improvement within the Executive Board
- Working with VPF to determine losses from club money theft/laundering

ADVANCEMENT AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Learning LaTeX with the rest of the executives
- New office hours from 15:00 - 16:00 Monday, Wednesday, Friday.

VICE PRESIDENT, OPERATIONS

OFFICE UPDATES

- Candy has been switched to one jar, consumption has stabilized.
- We have a surplus of t-shirts, reducing prices for unpopular shirts to attempt to clear inventory

SERVICE UPDATES

- Purchased black toner for the HP printer, blue toner was replaced
- Lockers are all claimed, web portal is closed
- Resolved locker issues
- Managed more bookings for the CnD, Comfy, projector, and screen
- Exam bank is being updated with help from the VPA
• Contacted Retail Services to fix photocopier
• Textbook library has been consolidated and itemized

ADVANCEMENT AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Clear out items in MathSoc office from locker clean out
• Met with fellow executives to discuss calculator change and plan future meetings and events
• Meet with Steve Furino about the new calculator policy
• Meet with the CnD Board, and the Dean