Mathematics Society Council Special Meeting Minutes

MC 3038, UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

Speaker: Ina Wang
Secretary: Kanan Sharma

ATTENDANCE
The following voting members were present:

- Harleen Bhandal (VPF)
- Catherine Dong
- John Hunte
- Matthew Schwarze
- Kanan Sharma
- Gavin Orok (VPA)
- Yuqiang Wang (President)
- Angela Wang-Lin
- Andrew Yates (VPO)

The following non-voting members were present:

- Rose Penner (Business Manager)

The following voting members were absent:

- Jasmine Bal (Expected absence)
- Andrew Gamble (Expected absence)
- Rachel Ou (Expected absence)
- Gary Xin (Expected absence)
- Karl Zhu

PRELIMINARIES

CALL TO ORDER

Be it resolved that the meeting is called to order at 5:05pm EST.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Speaker assumed the agenda.

Agenda was approved by consent.
TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Mathematics Society of the University of Waterloo acknowledges:
“The University of Waterloo is on the traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishnaabeg, and Haudenosaunee peoples. The University of Waterloo is situated on the Haldimand Tract, land promised to the Six Nations, which includes six miles on each side of the Grand River.”

ORAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

The Speaker posed the following question:
“In relation to any of the items of business on the agenda for this meeting, does any Councillor have an actual, perceived, or potential conflict of interest?”

No conflicts were raised.

SPECIAL ORDERS

APPOINTMENT OF SPEAKER - President Ina Wang, Catherine Dong

Nominations were solicited from Council. President Ina Wang nominated Councillor John Hunte; the nomination was accepted.

No other nominations received.

Be it resolved that John Hunte is appointed Speaker for the Winter 2020 semester.
Motion passes with majority.

Be it resolved that Ina Wang is appointed Speaker for this meeting.
Motion passes with majority.

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY - President Ina Wang, Angela Wang-Lin

[Original Motion:

Be it resolved that ___ is appointed Secretary for the Winter 2020 semester.]
Nominations were solicited from Council. President Ina Wang nominated Councillor Dong; the nomination was accepted.
No other nominations received.
Amendment to specify the role as “Council Secretary.”
Accepted as friendly amendment.

**Be it resolved that** Catherine Dong is appointed Council Secretary for the Winter 2020 semester.

*Motion passes with majority.*

**GENERAL ORDERS**

**APPOINTMENT OF ELECTIONS COMMITTEE - President Ina Wang, Catherine Dong**

**Be it resolved that** ___, ___, ___, & ___ are appointed to the Elections Committee for the Winter 2020 semester.

**Be it further resolved that** ___ is appointed Chief Returning Officer for the Winter 2020 semester.

*Motion to table to the next meeting - President Ina Wang, VP Finance Harleen Bhandal*

*Motion passes unanimously.*

**SELECTION OF WINTER 2020 BY-ELECTION DATES - President Ina Wang, VP Finance Harleen Bhandal**

[Original Motion:]

**Be it resolved that** the Fall 2019 term byelections are called with the following schedule:
Nomination period: January 14th to 19th
Campaign period: January 17th to 21st
Voting period: January 22nd to 23rd]

Amendment to rephrase the motion to read “Winter 2020 Council By-election.”
Accepted as a friendly amendment.
Amendment to change the nomination period end date from the 19th to 20th, and to shift the voting period one day later to instead be from the 23rd to 24th.
Accepted as a friendly amendment.

**Be it resolved that** the amended motion Winter 2020 Council By-election is approved.

**Be it resolved that** the Winter 2020 term Council by-elections are called with the following schedule:
- Nomination period: January 14th to 20th
- Campaign period: January 16th to 22nd
- Voting period: January 23rd to 24th

*Motion passes unanimously.*

*Secretary’s Note:* Councillor Matthew Schwarze joined the meeting remotely at 5:21 pm.

**FIRST YEAR AFFAIRS PRELIMINARY BUDGET - Catherine Dong, VP Finance Harleen Bhandal**

[Original Motion:

**Be it resolved that** Council approves to have the carry-over of the remainder of $395.29 of President’s First Year Affairs from Fall 2019 to Winter 2020.

**Be it further resolved that** Council approves an additional of $600 be added to the First Years Affairs budget for Winter 2020.]

A brief discussion followed regarding the efficacy of allocating new money from this term’s budget as opposed to carrying over money from last term.  

**Motion** to amend the above to instead only request the approval for $1000 toward the First Year Affairs budget under the President’s budget.

*Accepted by friendly amendment.*
Be it resolved that Council approves $1000 toward the First Year Affairs budget under the President’s budget for the Winter 2020 term.

Motion passes unanimously.

EXECUTIVE EXPENSES PRELIMINARY BUDGET - President Ina Wang, Catherine Dong

[Original Motion:

Be it resolved that Council approves the carry-over of the remainder of $322.43 of President’s Exec Expenses from Fall 2019 to Winter 2020.

Be it further resolved that Council approves $600 for the first 3 Games Nights.]

Amendment to the above BIRT to request the approval of $350 in the current term rather than the carry-over of last term’s remaining budget.

Accepted as a friendly amendment.

Be it resolved that Council approves $350 for the President’s Executive Expenses for the Winter 2020 term.

Be it further resolved that Council approves $600 for the first 3 Games Nights.

Motion passes with majority.

PRESIDENT’S EXECUTIVE TRANSITION PRELIMINARY BUDGET - President Ina Wang

Be it resolved that Council approves to have the carry-over of the remainder of $2000 of President’s Executive Transition from Fall 2019 to Winter 2020. - President Ina Wang

Motion withdrawn.

OFFICE CANDY PRELIMINARY BUDGET - President Ina Wang, VP Operations Andrew Yates

Be it resolved that Council approves $300 for office candy.

Motion passes with majority.
WELCOME WEEK PRELIMINARY BUDGET - President Ina Wang, Catherine Dong

**Be it resolved that** Council approves $2,000 for funding Welcome Week events.

*Motion passes unanimously.*

MOCK INTERVIEW PRELIMINARY BUDGET

[Original Motion:

**Be it resolved that** Council approves the carry-over of the remainder of $245 of VPA’s Mock Interview from Fall 2019 to Winter 2020.]

Discussion followed regarding the VP Academic’s plans for Mock Interviews this term, as well as his plans for a Resume Critique and Cover Letter Critique event this term.

**Motion** to amend the above BIRT to request the allocation of $250 to Resume Critique and $250 to Cover Letter Critique.

*Accepted by friendly amendment.*

**Be it resolved that** Council approves the allocation of $250 to Resume Critique and $250 to Cover Letter Critique.

*Motion passes unanimously.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The first regular Council meeting will take place on Monday, Jan. 13th at 4:30 pm EST.

The budget meeting will take place on Thursday, Jan. 23rd; the time is yet to be determined.

ADJOURNMENT

The speaker adjourned the meeting at 5:45 pm EST.