

MathSoc Council

Thursday, September 19th at 4pm
MC 3039 (MathSoc Executive Office)

Speaker: Alex Lee

Secretary: Alex Lee

In Attendance:

- Rose Penner*
- Krishna Pasumarthy (VP Finance)
- Clayton Halim (VP Operations)
- Alex Lee (President)
- Kanan Sharma (VP Internal)

**non-voting*

Alex Lee called the meeting to order at 4:04pm.

Alex Lee was appointed secretary.

Be it resolved that Council approves the public minutes for 2018-08-13 meeting as presented.
Alex Lee and Krishna Pasumarthy.

Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Reports

Vice President, Internal (Kanan Sharma)

- For MathSoc Welcome Week, there were approximately 400 students who showed up for free fruit, baked goods and coffee/tea on September 17th. Clubs Days was September 18th and 19th; was a success.
- There was a brief issue with FARMSA sharing keys; the President (Alex Lee) sent a warning to FARMSA.
- There is a plan to host a bonfire in early October with CSC and WiCS; the event is in its planning stages.
- The UW Accelerator Centre approached MathSoc and was willing to provide TA services for MATH 135 free of cost, and possibly scholarships. They would also like to sponsor MathSoc.
- CFSA expressed interest in a club room. There may be a review of clubs and the use of the club rooms; if it is found that the club is not using their room effectively, they may lose the room.

Vice President, Operations (Clayton Halim)

- There were issues with some lockers; many of the dial-type lockers are broken. Additionally, some digital lockers are out of battery. A spreadsheet was created to record the broken lockers.
- Beginning-of-term inventory was completed. Additionally, the office is currently open every day on a temporary schedule, with a minimum of one office manager in the office at all times during

official hours. Office manager and office worker acceptances are currently being sent out; there will be approximately 20-30 office staff altogether.

- There is an abundance of inventory for novelties; a possible sale is incoming after consultation with the novelties directors.
- Bookings have been going fairly well; there were many room bookings for clubs, as well as popcorn and cotton candy machine bookings. There have been some issues where the machines were returned dirty.

Vice President, Finance (Krishna Pasumarthy)

- Cash closing is being performed every day.
- During the clubs meeting, clubs were informed of the upcoming budget deadline of September 24th, as well as the budget meeting on September 27th.
- For some club budgets, there was data missing.
- There have been weekly meetings with Gurpreet (from Feds) for financial activity submissions, as well as cheque pick ups.
- Cash from the old photocopier in the MathSoc office was deposited after a lengthy period of time sitting in the safe.
- Finance Director hiring is almost complete; training of finance directors will be in the near future.

President (Alex Lee)

- The voting period for elections ends on September 21st at 11:59 PM. There are 27 first year students running for 5 first year rep positions; as well as 5 Math/Business students running for 4 Math/Business rep positions.
- During the Feds Committee of Presidents meeting on September 18th, there were brief discussions of each society's goals for the term. There will be a cross-faculty event happening mid-October that will focus on spreading happiness and "smiling"; there will be apples and buttons being given out (fully funded by Feds).
- The math dance flash mob was earlier in the day; there were approximately 25 people who showed up and did the math dances from 2015 to 2018. Any student who performed the dances received a pink tie, where the pink tie they received depended on which dances they performed. In most cases, students received all four ties. This event was featured on the Waterloo Math Instagram account.
- VP Internal suggested more cross-faculty events in the future.

There was a discussion of executives submitting written reports for inclusion in the agenda for the meeting to shorten the length of meetings. It will be expected that councillors will have read the agenda before the meeting and will come to council meetings with their questions and concerns. During meetings, executives will give a very high-level summary of their report and then field for questions. VP Internal (Kanan) expressed concern with this approach; he mentioned that Council was there to hold the executives accountable, and this approach would make it more possible for executives to get away with things. Rose mentioned that having written reports from execs every two weeks and expecting councillors to read agenda and minutes isn't a lot to ask from them; President (Alex) agreed with this and mentioned that it is expected that councillors read through the agenda before a meeting.

Whereas the Mathematics Society accepted nominations for program representative positions on Council on September 6th, 2018;

Whereas the Mathematics Society did not receive more nominations than positions available for the constituencies of Computing and Financial Management, Pure Math, Applied Math and Combinatorics & Optimization, and Math Studies & Other;

Whereas the Mathematics Society did not receive more than one nomination for the executive position of Vice President, Academic;

Be it resolved that Council ratifies the following individuals for their respective program representative positions for Fall 2018:

- James Bury for Computing and Financial Management,
- Junqiao Lin for Pure Math, Applied Math and Combinatorics & Optimization, and
- Arsheya Jain for Math Studies & Other;

Be it further resolved that Council ratifies the following individuals for their respective program representative positions for Winter 2019:

- Arsheya Jain for the Math Studies & Other, and
- Victor Brestoiu for Computing and Financial Management;

Be it further resolved that Council ratifies the following individuals for their respective program representative positions for Spring 2019:

- James Bury for Computing and Financial Management, and
- Jennifer Lee for Math/Business;

Be it further resolved that Council ratifies Yuqian (Ina) Wang for Vice President, Academic for Fall 2018.

Kanan Sharma and Krishna Pasumarthy.

Motion carried (with noted abstention of Alex Lee).

VP Internal (Kanan) mentioned the issue of honorariums. President (Alex) mentioned that there could be a possible reduction in the honorarium from \$500 to \$450 or \$470; he will talk with Tristan and the Executive Officer of Math about making the honorarium a scholarship.

Seeing no further business, Alex adjourned the meeting at 4:32pm.