

Minutes for ASUS Assembly on October 31st, 2013

Let it be known that the following members have come dressed in costume for the Hallowe'en assembly

Representative Wiseman is dressed as Rob Ford

Commissioner Bourne is dressed as Harry Potter

Commissioner Cutajar is dressed up as a Despicable Me minion

Commissioner Liu is dressed up as Buzz Lightyear

Commissioner Grotsky is dressed up as Liam from One Direction

Senator Duchaine is dressed as Queen Beeyonce

Senator Smolej is dressed as a ghost

Senator Stanley is dressed as North West

Senator Rubin is dressed as Sriracha

2014 Year Society President El-Rahimy is dressed as Cinderella

2014 Year Society Vice-President Smith is dressed as Cinderella

Starting Time: 7:01pm

Speaker Davis will henceforth be known as Speaker

Motion 1: "That ASUS Assembly approve the agenda for the October 31st, 2013 Assembly"

Moved by: Benjamin Bourne

Seconded by: Scott Mason

Senator Stanley:

Move to stamp motion 5:

Seconded by Representative Wiseman

Speaker:

Any objections?

Seeing none, motion 5 is stamped as long as the agenda passes

Representative Wiseman:

Point of information: Why are we just stamping motion 5 and not 3, 4, 6? They are also with ratification of chairs for orientation week?

Senator Stanley:

I was under the impression that motion 5 was the motion that would deal with the second reading of the honoraria review policy. If I am mistaken, I retract my stamp and ask to stamp the motion that is doing what I'm trying to do, motion 7.

Speaker:

Stamping means it's attached to the agenda. If it is passed, it is also passed without subject to debate later

Motion 7: "That ASUS Assembly commence second reading on the amendments to section 18 of the ASUS Constitution seen in Appendix A"

Moved by: Benjamin Bourne

Seconded by: Irfan Tahiri

Senator Duchaine:

Can we stamp constitutional amendment motions?

Commissioner Bourne:

Yes, because it's a second reading

Commissioner Falk:

Is there a way I can move motion 9 up to right after the ASUS Orientation Committee Ratification?

Seconded by Vice-President Tahiri

Vote to move motion 9 down:

For: 20

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Vote on Motion 1:

For: 20

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Member Prescott:

Point of information: Now that the agenda is approved, there will be no debate on new motion 8?

Speaker:

Yes

Motion 2: "That ASUS Assembly approve the minutes for the October 17th Assembly"

Moved by: Benjamin Bourne

Seconded by: Scott Mason

Representative Chinniah:

I have one concern. The name Mattiussi is only spelled with one S

Member Sherman:

In one thing to which I spoke to Senator Smolej, I asked him about the Yakabutchi report. Yakabutchi was spelled wrong. And also discussing the event, it says "west african ethnicity" when it should be "western ethnocentricity"

Vote:

For: 16

Against: 0

Abstain: 4

Motion passes

Speaker's Business

Speaker:

First off, welcome to the new Representatives. Academic Representatives, AMS Representatives and the elected senator. It would be nice to get out here quick. We don't have our deputy speaker here. If I tire out and have to leave, that would suck for you.

Quick note for new members: Points of conduct:

Be concise, brief, and meaningful. If the issue is unopposed, we don't need to speak on it. If there is something of substantive issue to be discussed, please try to do it before assembly. I will give you a countdown for time when you are talking. Dress is business casual

People who are late or absent and have cleared it:

Vice-President of 2015 Year Society

President of 2015 Year Society

Senator Chishti

President Mason

I am dressed as a frosh!

Guest Speaker

Executive Reports

President Mason:

Not here

Vice President Jacobs:

Quick update on the QES (Queen's Events Services). They met and refined their scope. They will be dealing with Orientation.

From my report, there's nothing too big. I left the part about the tartan out as I met with them yesterday. They're looking for contributors, so if you know anyone who is interested in worldly affairs, let them know. ASUS Camps is hiring directors. 16 week position, 14\$/hour. One programs director, one business director.

Council Reports

Scribe:

Point of Order: In policy, it doesn't say that commissioners are required to give an oral report. In section 6.1.0 says "This item of business requires the ASUS executive to deliver a written and oral report to Assembly." Only Executive, The Senate, ASUS Representatives to AMS are all required to deliver oral reports. In section 6.4.2 it says "If a voting member of Assembly or ASUS Council wishes to provide emphasis to a specific portion of their report, they are free to do so during Statements by Members"

Speaker:

You are correct

Business of the Senate:

Senator Duchaine:

In unfortunate news, Senator Prince has retired. Fourth years who are in their final year

might not've run in the election that literally just happened because they wouldn't be here. I will be meeting with the University secretary. I'll meet with Scott when he gets back from Boston

Business of the AMS

Representative Chinniah:

We did not submit a written report. We're in the middle of deciding who will write and submit reports. We will have a report in the following week. AMS Assembly was held in city hall last week. Mark Gerretsen, mayor of Kingston was there. He presented a terse speech to student. There were incidents of tone within his speech, but we feel it was gracious to come and speak to AMS assembly and give his general opinion on homecoming. The Journal and QTV also covered it well. We managed to focus on what matters to ASUS students, even though the discussions were lively

Statements by Members

Representative Wiseman:

First off, I'd like to congratulate our new AMS Representatives, the new 2017 year society, and Senator Smolej

Voter turnout was 15-19.9% for the referendum, which is good. Send any questions to CIO or CRO of AMS

Commissioner Grotzky:

Welcome to our academic Representatives who were elected last night at DSC assembly for the social sciences, we have Matthew Lumsden. He represents all the social sciences

Arts and languages are filled by Jessalynn Tsang.

We talked about ancillary fees at DSC. They are fees charged on top of tuition. Sometimes they are illegal. We are sending out a survey form where you can tell us about fees you have to pay on top of tuition

Compsa Vice-President Bannerman:

Congratulations to the new Orientation Chair Committee

Representative Wiseman:

Motion to open agenda

Seconded by member at large

Vote:

For: 19

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Representative Wiseman:

I'd like to motion to omnibus motions **ALL OF THE RATIFICATIONS**

Vote:

For: 20

Against: 1

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Senator Stanley:

For further reference, does the agenda need to be opened to omnibus motions?

Speaker: No

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Motion to close agenda

Seconded by member-at-large

for: 20

against: 0

abstain: 0

motion passes

Member Prescott:

Congratulations to everyone who has made it to assembly. These are positions that are to be taken seriously. They are not for going on Facebook and having your friends. Business that happens here affects thousands of students. Please take it seriously and use the time that we're here to focus on issues that affect students.

Question Period

Representative Chinniah:

I have a question for Acting President Tahiri

Representative Wilson and I are chairing the Remembrance Day committee. Can we have a member who is not a member of ASUS for our committee?

Vice-President Tahiri:

Yes! Anyone.

Academic Representative Tsang:

Could Representative Wiseman please remove their mask before speaking? It is hard to hear.

Speaker:

That's a good point. Something I forgot to mention during Speaker's business: please stand up while speaking, address people by last name and title, and keep gender neutral language.

Old Business

New Business

Omnibussed Motions 3-6:

Motion 3: "That ASUS Assembly ratify Beth Sollis as Socio-Cultural Chair for the 2014 ASUS Orientation Committee"

Motion 4: "That ASUS Assembly ratify Greg Chung as Academics and Campus Support Chair"

for the 2014 ASUS Orientation Committee"

Motion 5: "That ASUS Assembly ratify Kristen Mercier as Operations Chair for the 2014 ASUS Orientation Committee"

Motion 6: "That ASUS Assembly ratify Quinn Bonafiglia as Community Awareness, Respect and Engagement Chair for the 2014 ASUS Orientation Committee"

Motions 3-6 were:

Moved by: Heather Salema

Seconded by: Irfan Tahiri

Head Gael Salema:

I introduced the new chairs this week. They went through a written application process, first-round interviews, and all-day second-round group interviews. They're going to do a fantastic job and change lives.

Vice-President Tahiri:

I will echo the sentiments of Head Gael Salema and Representative Bannerman. We can't wait to work with you!

Member Prescott:

Will there be a question and answer period?

Representative Goodman:

Move for a question period

Seconded by member-at-large

Vote:

For: 15

Against: 0

Abstain: 5

Motion passes

Senator Duchaine:

If you could name the area you'll be supervising that needs the most improvement, why is it that way and what are your plans for its improvement?

Quinn Bon:

I'm the care portfolio. Something I want to improve on this year is Shine Day. It's a pretty specific change, but I think there's a lot of room to incorporate more Kingston-Queen's relations there. We can use it to improve our relationship, as well as improving some of the outreach activities that first years get to do. That's my main focus

Kristen Mercier:

I'm the operations chair. Under my portfolio, I'd like to help make the week run more smoothly. This might mean adding a van team, or balancing the days out. I'd like to further the training of the gael. The OCs perform some presentations to help train the Gaels

Beth Sollis

I'm the socio-cultural chair. I want to focus on making sure that the purposes of the events are really clear throughout the week. I want to change carnival so that it's more integrated with QTIP

Greg Chung:

I'm the Academic and Campus Support chair. One area I'd like to focus on is the notion of mental health. We added a new event called the non-academics of academics. This is something we can certainly expand on. There's a lot of flexibility between years for events. I'd like to add another event focusing on mental health but with a different approach. We've discussed having past orientation chairs coming in and speaking.

Senator Stanley:

How do you feel?

All:

We feel so good, oh we feel so good, oh!

Member Prescott:

Given the news about hazing, what are your thoughts about improving that situation? Our orientation week doesn't have that in it, but what can you do to improve the experience so that no students feel as though they've been affected by hazing

Greg Chung:

We want to foster an environment where everyone feels included. We like to focus our training on making sure they're aware that the first-years are a diverse group of people, and that they have a diverse group of values. The alcohol-free policy is a good example of that, making sure everyone feels included. I haven't heard of any specific instances of hazing, but the broad goal of ASUS Orientation to make everyone feel comfortable and included helps reduce the notion of hazing

Beth Sollis:

We make sure that every single person that attends knows that everything is optional. At no point should you feel obligated to go to an event. As Greg said, we make sure that that's a really strong point during our training of the gael's so that they are aware as well

Kristen Mercier

The cheer "oh we feel so good" might not make everyone feel comfortable. There are ways, and it is never pushed upon first-years to answer that question if they don't want to.

Quinn Bonn:

I believe there's alcohol talks, which is addressed earlier on in the year as well as during Gael pre-week.

Member Sherman:

I'm also a student member of SOARB. What's one recommendation stemming from the Jackson report that you agree with, and one report that you disagree with?

Member Goodman:

What is the Jackson report?

Member Sherman:

A report from 1990 that gave some recommendations to Orientation Week, and some guidelines for SOARB.

Quinn Bonn

Unfortunately, we don't know too much about the Jackson Report. But definitely we'll look at the recommendations and we can use them. We'll look at it and do our best to incorporate it into the planning

Kristen Mercier:

Moving away from being vigilantes to Gaels in the arts and science week, and there were also talks about it with alcohol.

Beth Sollis:

I agree

Greg Chung:

I agree

Senator Rubin:

I just heard of the ASUS app. It's a great idea for ASUS, but how can we use it in Orientation week

Vice-President Tahiri:

Point of personal privilege, the app is only for one year right now. They can still answer the question.

Senator Rubin:

Conditionally if we still have the app, how can we use it?

Greg Chung:

The way it can be used, it's definitely a great means of providing information to first years. It can contain schedules, which is a big thing as a lot of first years or gael's can't memorize the schedules.

Beth Sollis:

Using it like a mobile nerve centre, which we use during the week for OC communication and group finding. There are events where people get split up or come late, so having something on hand like that is something we'll be trying to do

Kristen Mercier:

The Gaels have most of the information during the week. They know where their group is going, and contact information. The app is the perfect way for them to communicate with others. A chain system from OC to gael to frosh

Quinn Bonn:

A lot of info that the first years are hit with during orientation week. Clubs, activities, places downtown. It could be used as an extra resource for them to remember

Member Goodman:

I think it's something very much encouraged as queen's university to look at people from all faculties and places of study, and have their ideas come through and use what they're doing as something to further your own knowledge. What is one thing you see in another faculty's orientation week that you can use to make ASUS Orientation Week better?

Quinn Bonn:

Speaking in general terms, all of the other faculties definitely have enthusiasm and love for their own faculty. Whether it's the cheers, or faculty activities. Fostering the Art/Sci love with the frosh

Kristen Mercier:

Other weeks have the benefit of having smaller faculties, so fostering arts and science pride

Beth Sollis:

Other weeks do tend to be smaller, but out of that you do get a lot of benefits. Trying to make it feel that we're just as close and inclusive as them, even though we are larger. Giving that small feel even though we're bigger

Greg Chung:

There's a lot of emphasis on tradition in other faculties. For example, The Greasepole. We could definitely use more emphasis on tradition. Some of that we've been doing this year. Beth's portfolio is Heritage. Emphasizing the awesome heritage and cultures we have at Queen's.

Commissioner Grotsky:

Yes or no, is Greg Chung the cutest person you've seen in your life

Speaker:

I think we should set this aside. I don't want to get into the equitable issues of attractiveness.

Vote on omnibussed motion, containing motions 3, 4, 5, and 6

For: 20

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes unanimously

Motion 4 (Package Motion 9): "That ASUS Assembly approve the changes to section G of the Policy Manual seen in Appendix C"

Moved by: Carson Falk

Seconded by: Benjamin Bourne

Commissioner Falk:

This policy change will take an existing organization on campus, Woman's Worth Week, and makes it an official committee within the Equity Commission. Been working on this policy for the past few weeks. I want to say something about Kate herself. She's been working with this organization for a number of years. She's taken an idea to one of the most successful events we have on campus for social justice issues.

I want to touch on two main reasons why it's a good idea to have it as a committee.

The first is their focus on inclusion. Even though it's Woman's Worth Week, Kate makes a decided effort to include males and females in this issue

The second point is that they have a positive programming. It focuses on progression of solutions, rather than focusing on the issues themselves. It fits well with what I've been trying to promote within the commission, which is promoting groups who are not typically interested in social justice issues. The policy is in the package, please give it a read. I'm going to pass the remainder of my 10 minutes to Kate

Member Kate:

This is a project I've been working on for the past three years.

We strive to mobilize outreach education to talk to students about ways we can promote equity and diversity with respect to gender. We want to make this conversation inclusive, with men, women, those who do not wish to identify. We bring different speakers to Queen's. Last year we had speakers talking about masculinity and ways to redefine manhood to promote gender equality. We also have huge social media campaigns every year, which I think ties very well into the Equity and Diversity Commission. It would be a really cohesive transition and would tie well into what you guys are doing. I've worked with many different student committees, and I'd like to continue that tradition.

It's an issue that affects everybody.

Senator Duchaine:

What is the difference between what you'd look to do and what the Women's Empowerment Committee does?

Member Kate:

The Women's Empowerment Committee does a lot of fundraising for other community bodies, such as interval house. What we do is very education based, and bringing that education through media or speakers events is less fundraising. We're just looking to make that education accessible to everyone. Not to say they don't do that.

Commissioner Falk:

The reason WEP is a community outreach is because they do a lot of community outreach. How this is different is that they are focusing on education

Commissioner Liu:

WEP does a lot of fundraising, but they are looking to work with WWW. They are looking into creating a coffee house. WWW only does awareness, so that's mainly the difference.

Representative RUBIN. NOT SENATOR

How are you operating WWW?

Member Kate:

In 2011, the Social Justice Issues Commission, and the Equity Office of the AMS. I still have been working with WEP this year, especially with education on gender issues

Representative Rubin:

Why are you seeking to go to ASUS specifically, instead of the Social Justice Issues?

Member Kate:

One thing I've been doing a lot of work on it educating youth on what consent is. These things tie into the Community Outreach Commission and the Equity Commission. The Social Issues commission is more focused on publications, so I feel as though it's a better fit here as we're about education. We are the biggest faculty, and I think that promoting inclusivity is very important.

Member Prescott:

Who would be on the committee?

Commissioner Falk:

6 committee members, 2 co-chairs, 4 volunteers.

Member Kate:

Last year we had 2 co-chairs, this year we have one. We should have two. We have a public relations coordinator, and two people that do marketing, and one person that does communications.

Marketing designs all of the social media projects, design our promotional material

Communications is more networking. Meeting with various administrative bodies and student groups. It's good to have two people to do this.

Senator Duchaine:

Can you speak specifically as to why you want to be part of the Arts and Science Undergraduate Society? Have you approached the AMS Social Issues Commissioner

Senator Stanley:

Point of information: Was this question not already asked?

Speaker:

No, this one contains an alternative option

Member Kate:

I started in the social issues commission and the equity office, and I'd really like to continue that relationship. They do have a wide scope, and it draws a lot of attention to the event. I also have worked with the Equity Office of the university, who promotes this in other faculties. That's why I want to be in ASUS. We are such a big faculty, and what we do gets a lot of attention and outreach. There is also a lot of opportunity for collaboration.

Senator Stanley:

Because there is this collaborative relationship between ASUS. Now that you're moving under the ASUS model, what is your funding like? Are we responsible for your budget?

Commissioner Falk:

Exactly the same as any other committee under a commission. As it stands right now, this year's budget will be 100\$ which is in-line with every other committee in the commission. ASUS will be taking sole responsibility because they will be an ASUS Committee.

Academic Representative Tsang:

Is there going to be any work extending past this week from your committee?

Member Kate:

Yeah. I'm attending a conference in Toronto at the end of Women's Worth Week. I'd like to

tie in ways that expressions of gender affect all identities. I'd like to extend beyond the scope of the week, and we're also putting together a video about these issues. One thing we're doing right now: We have a photo campaign called "I am simply beautiful".

We've contacted people all over the world, and they're going to make statements about what they think makes them beautiful

They'll send us their photos with captions.

Representative Chinniah:

Every commission just gets 100\$?

Commissioner Falk:

Every commission that I oversee gets 100\$

Senator Duchaine:

What will you be doing for some of these expensive costs such as travelling and conferences?

Member Kate:

Oh that's just me. I'm networking, doing research, and it has no cost to ASUS. That's just me trying to reach out to other people about what we do.

Representative Chinniah:

Could Commissioner Falk outline the biggest differences between WEC and WWW?

Commissioner Falk:

WEC: Their main function is community outreach. Fundraising, hosting.

Their main focus is to promote these issues out in the community

WWW is educational, and WEC is promotional.

Representative Chinniah:

Doesn't WEC also accomplish educational goals?

Commissioner Falk:

I think not as explicitly. WWW very explicitly has a main goal of education. It's promotion vs education

Commissioner Liu:

WWW does awareness and education over one week, whereas WEC focuses on the whole year and donates to three charities.

Member Sherman:

We're going to whip up a lecture series

Senator Stanley:

Motion to call into question

Seconded by member-at-large

Vote:

For: 12

Against: 8

Abstain: 0

Motion fails because 2/3 majority is required

Vice-President Tahiri:

Whenever I see individuals on campus coming to something in an official capacity to begin projects that they want to complete, I think we should look at it in a certain way.

You could see it as “is it a service that's already provided?” or, see it as promoting ideas.

We should be promoting students who are serious about promoting activities or issues

Maybe the AMS is a little too big right now. Maybe they want to begin with ASUS. It's a good first step. We've also hashed out some of the differences. I do see some overlap, but the fundamental difference is that WEC has a fundraising mandate. They write a cheque to women's shelters. WWW wouldn't be doing that. They can work together. They can work with Politicus. If you think it's a burden to the society, then vote that way. If you think there are some differences, then good. I've worked with Kate. There's a very high level seriousness that I see here. Personally, I will be supporting this motion. Vote from your best conscience, but keep these in mind

Senator Duchaine:

I don't think we should be supporting this. I think what you're doing is incredibly valuable, but reading into the ASUS policy, the WEC says section D19 of ASUS POLICY “To involve and inform Queen's of women's issues through awareness”. I'm wondering if there is some way we can incorporate WWW into what WEC does. I don't want to see two competing gender-focused committee, one under the Community Outreach commission, one under the Equity and Diversity Commission. I think there's a great opportunity for synergizing the great opportunities. I hate that word. I would love it if in two weeks you guys came back with some of these policies into the WEC policy. This might have a lot of conflict for something ASUS already does quite well. We should reflect on what's best for the society, and I don't think that that's to have two competing committees.

Representative Rubin:

It sounded like what the new committee is more about gender and promoting gender issues and how we can be inclusive to all genders, not just women. I'm agree that we don't want competing committees, but they do seem different to me.

Commissioner Falk:

I'd like to reiterate what Representative Rubin said. I think awareness is not education. I would also like to say that the fact that you think there'd be competition, I don't necessarily agree with that. It says very specifically in policy that collaboration with other groups on campus would be a primary motive. I think they are very much trying to promote the same ideas, but they are different and serve different purposes

Senator Duchaine:

I think if the question is that WWW takes a more gender-inclusive view is therefore reforming the Women's Empowerment Committee so that that becomes more inclusive, rather than having two gender committees. I think we can collaborate a lot more if we are one committee

Commissioner Liu:

Although it's called WEC, they do focus on all gender issues. They're bringing a male rights speaker to campus soon. We want males to come and audition and be a part of it as well. If you want to change the name, you can come talk to me after as well.

Representative Chinniah:

I really respect the work that WWW does. I do share Senator Duchaine's view that perhaps WWW should be integrated into the Women's Empowerment Committee. It's best to implement the best practices of WWW into WEC in order to strike the WEC as it is, in order to update the mandate so that WEC is a fundraiser and an educational tool. I will be voting against this, but encourage Member Kate to introduce amendments to it for the next assembly so that WEC will implement WWW.

Member Sherman:

I was wondering if the Community Outreach Commissioner can comment on whether or not they believe there is a significant difference between WWW and WEC, and what the difference would be, and if the WEC would mind incorporating WWW into WEC.

Speaker:

Perhaps this would be better served by committee as a whole

Senator Stanley:

Motion to move to committee as a whole
Seconded by Representative Rubin

Vote:

For: 16
Against: 0
Abstain: 4

Motion passes

Representative Chinniah:

Since the deputy speaker is not here, can you just run this?

Speaker will henceforth be known as Arbiter Davis

Representative Wiseman will henceforth be known as Speaker Ford

Commissioner Liu:

WEC, as I said before, works on volunteer fundraising and awareness. They do it throughout the year, and they do it sporadically. WWW is a full, one-week thing. They focus more on education in that one week. WEC wouldn't do it every week, or every single day of one week. I find that WWW focuses more on education. I'd love to see more collaboration between the two committees, and possibly the possibility of absorbing WWW into WEC. For now, she wants to focus on education.

Commissioner Grotsky:

I have an idea. Obviously this is very close to your heart since you started it from the ground up. I do however see Isabelle's point about integrating the committee. I'd suggest we grandfather this so that in the future they will be absorbed by WEC, but that they will have their own smaller sub-committee within WEC.

Member Kate:

We are very distinct. We focus a lot on masculinity. Ways to include men in this conversation. Although WEC does encourage that, I don't want to discredit what they do, we have made a very explicit effort to include all expressions of all identities in what we do, and that's how it

differentiates. I spent my summer doing research. It is very distinct in that sense.

Member Goodman:

I think the committees are incredibly distinct just from their aims. In D-19, it says WEC's aim is to involve and inform Queen's students of women's issues, which makes it seem to me that their main goals are fundraising for these charities, and the information brought about and seminated as a result of this is a plus, but the main goal is fundraising. WWW's aim seems to be more focused on the education portion of that, and I think that that's something we should be supporting. I think that that's an important distinction we should keep in mind

Representative Rubin:

I do see how they're different. They do both suggest that they're for women. Would you be okay with changing the name WWW so that if you were to become part of ASUS, so that it would differentiate itself more? I can see how it can be misconstrued as the same thing, but I do see the difference. Would you be open to changing the name?

Member Kate:

I have toyed with the idea of changing the name. Just a 'Worth Week'. All people are valuable. We should include everyone. The reason why I kept it as WWW is to when we did have speakers who came and talked about masculinity

There are men who support this, and who support gender equality and not just one specific branch of feminism

I think that ASUS has a lot of wonderful committees. And some do overlap, especially the youth outreach ones. It's not a bad thing. There are options for collaboration and I think we are very distinct.

Vice-President Tahiri:

I do appreciate the concern who believe there is a redundancy.

Good Times Diner has a strong philanthropic mandate. We give student money to them. It's under services. It should be under Community Outreach. Today, it's still there because the services portfolio is big but not too big. Last year the Community Outreach Commission just took out two committees. At the end of the day, it's students who want to get involved. Things are what they are because students are interested in those issues. When you look with respect as to what Kate wants to do, it's obvious. Carson has time, he can incorporate this very safely. I don't think that things will become heated between WEC and WWW. I think that one of the main reasons is to support things that students want to do. Pragmatically, this is how things work in the society. I has kind of set a precedent for where things can work.

Member Kate:

I've already taken steps to not overlap with WEC. They have launched their 'Who Needs Feminism' photo campaign and will be doing it during our week. We've already taken steps for WEC to participate in our events, and make sure as much as we can that we're cohesive and non-overlapping. I've already taken steps to make sure that these things don't overlap and are distinct and that we can have great events.

Arbiter Davis:

The first issue is an issue of redundancy: Does WWW have the same mandate as WEC?

The second issue:

Part A: Is WWW endeavouring to be a one-week activity? If so, that requires

debate

Part B: Does WWW endeavour to do anything beyond education?

Senator Smolej:

To respond to Vice-President Tahiri: we are here all as elected Representatives to ensure that the processes that we follow and that in the long term it's for betterment. In terms of the issue of redundancy, I personally do think that there is some redundancy as of now. If WWW is meant to be multi-disciplinary, why not work with their counterparts in the WEC? It seems right now as though there is an overlap. In terms of cohesiveness and synergy, it would be optimal if they work together. In terms of the complaints that this will limit student participation are not valid. They could be more cohesive and strategic. That's something we should really remember here as we proceed forward

Member Prescott:

I'd like to extend the Vice-President's logic a little further. Based on what he was saying regarding students coming forth with ideas, bringing it to the faculty society, or AMS and looking for help getting off the ground. To extend the logic, does that mean that if everyone got what they wanted as a student, that every student would be able to do whatever they want with government funding? At what point do we differentiate between certain activities coming very close to each other, and their feasibility. Including WWW, being very parallel to WEC. It's up to this body to make that distinction, but at what point do we allow such endeavours to proceed, just because it's a student initiative? In that sense, everyone gets their happiness at the end of the day. At the same time, these educational issues do continue. Were I a voting member, I would vote against this, given that I feel that there should be this consultation.

Representative Pang:

Can we just focus on the issue between WWW and WEC?

Commissioner Falk:

I'd like to reiterate something Kate said earlier which I completely agree with. People feel that the issue here is redundancy. Kate has talked with the co-chairs of WEC to ensure that there is no redundancy and that they have distinct goals. I think the issue of redundancy has been dealt with, flat out. The focus is on the one week, but it extends past that to varying degrees on education, which is not what WEC does. The third point was engaging the community, which they do because they inform and educate the community

Director Ismail-Tera:

I'd like to remind everyone that Kate has worked with people for the past three years. She's done a great job cultivating a relationship with WEC so that their relationship will continue past the time she is here. Should they find that their mandates are overlapping too much, I think that it would be dealt with. I don't think they'll feel competing

Member Kate:

The reason I started this is because I didn't see anything like it. I did not see anything that does this

Senator Duchaine:

We've been talking a lot about what WEC does and WEC's mandate. I was wondering if we could have the co-chairs for WEC here so that they could directly take questions and how they can see their relationship with WWW working in the future. I see the issue of overlap and it is too serious of a

concern for me to vote in favour.

Commissioner Liu:

I meet up with the co-chairs every week, so I welcome any questions about what they're doing. I could also bring in the co-chairs next assembly.

When they first saw it, they thought there would be overlap.

They have worked with Kate to ensure that there won't be

Member Grenney:

I want to iterate that people are getting too much into the specificity of the issue. The original presentation of the motion promoted collaboration, right off the bat. Just because we have two committees with similar focuses, it doesn't mean that there will be overlap.

The whole idea here is to maintain enough autonomy so that WWW can collaborate with a whole bunch of people and doesn't fade into the background of what WEC is doing as a whole. Just because they are accomplishing similar mandates, it doesn't mean that they can't be separate and collaborate. With respect to the pragmatic use of resources within the society, our commissioners only have so much time on their plates. I know the Community Outreach Commissioner is already so busy. The fact that a Commissioner is willing to put time into another Committee says something about its value. Commissioner Falk also obviously has the time to do this properly and well

Senator Stanley:

I haven't spoken a lot during this debate. I wasn't at the outset informed about this issue. I think I've, in my mind, developed a fairly reasonable opinion on it. I think there is a lot of good that the organization Kate has started up can do. There's a lot of worth to be put on there, and found in what she's doing. It does extend beyond the week, and it does extend beyond just women. I think that in the argument for redundancy, there's not a whole lot there. Instead of just focusing on making WWW part of the Equity Commission, strike a larger one called the Gender Equality Committee, so that you can present a united front upon gender advocacy and eliminate any perceived overlap. It was mentioned that there are two photo campaigns running? Why not consolidate both of those to run during the week, and make it a signature ASUS event. I don't know if that would require us to table this and bring it up at next assembly, or if we could do it on the floor today.

Representative Chinniah:

Is it possible to move out of committee as a whole?

Commissioner Bourne:

Unlike the constitutional amendment we moved last week, if there are minor inconsistencies, you could pass the policy now and tweak things later on

Member Kate:

We have a very distinct message. We want to redefine messages about gender. We should talk about why we celebrate ourselves as unique individuals. It's specifically about self-esteem, and we've looked at ways to promote that. We're looking at ways to stray away from typical photo campaigns. We've collaborated with different organizations over the world. I've made great lengths to not overlap with anyone else, and I would like to stress that I created this organization because there weren't any like it. There were no groups including women and mention

Representative Lumsden:

With regards to the redundancy arguments, it's important to recognize that WEC and

WWW focus on gender issues as a whole, the primary focus of WWW is education. I feel that masculinity issues are commonly more intrinsic, and as a result, these issues need a specific educational platform. Many psychological issues of masculinity cannot be encapsulated without education. The education of masculine issues is a niche that needs specific education.

Representative Chinniah:

Motion to go out of committee as a whole
Seconded by Representative Goodman

Vote:

For: 15
Against: 0
Abstain: 1

Motion passes

*Speaker Ford will henceforth be referred to as Representative Wiseman
Arbiter Davis will henceforth be referred to as Speaker*

Senator Stanley:

Motion to table this?
Do we get debate on this?

Commissioner Bourne:

Traditionally, procedural motions are not debatable.

Member Prescott:

Point of order: If we're re-voting, there can't be any debate prior to the vote

Speaker:

Only points of personal privilege can come up

Vote to table:

For: 9
Against: 9
Abstain: 2

Motion tied.

Speaker:

Constitutionally, I am obligated to tie-break in the negative. The motion fails on my tiebreak. It is up to continued consideration.

Senator Duchaine:

Motion to call to question
Seconded by Vice-President Tahiri:

Vote:

For: 18
Against: 2
Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Senator Stanley:

Motion for a secret ballot
Seconded by Vice-President Tahiri

Speaker:

A secret ballot means the vote tally would also be secret. If the House of Commons can vote on issues of national security, we can do this. The only type of vote requiring a secret ballot would be one such as the impeachment of a person

Vice-President Tahiri:

Motion to overturn speaker's ruling
Seconded by member-at-large

Vote:

For: 18
Against: 2
Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Member Prescott:

Last time I checked, we are not in a recess. All of the extra movement and chatter is distracting.

CESA Vice-President Ferguson:

Are abstentions allowed in a secret ballot?

Speaker:

Yes
Motion carries.

Motion 5 (package motion 8): "That ASUS Assembly commence first reading on the amendments to section 17.3 of the ASUS Constitution seen in Appendix B"

Moved by: Isabelle Duchaine
Seconded by: Benjamin Bourne

Senator Duchaine:

This is the promise I made two weeks ago. This is policy in place regarding what ratification is, the consequences, etcetera. I sent it to President Mason, Commissioner Bourne, the EngSoc Speaker as well. It lets us understand that when an individual is ratified, it is the approval of ASUS. The second part is that if the ratification fails, that they are not hired. It gives us the opportunity as elected Representatives of students to question whether or not they can properly do the job. This policy also dictates which positions should be ratified. "All internal positions on assembly must also be ratified." This is interim ASUS Representatives, interim Senators. If you have any questions or concerns, I did put this up quite awhile ago and nobody has gotten back to me. A ratification policy is something we sorely need. According to the AMS Officer, this has only ever happened twice at AMS Assembly.

Representative Goodman:

I'd like to move an amendment to add the Orientation Chairs, much like the ones we ratified tonight to the list. They're the ones that will be hiring the OCs, and they have an incredible role in ASUS Orientation Week. It's important that they do have the confidence of assembly going forward

Senator Duchaine:

I see that as friendly.

CESA Vice-President Ferguson:

In 17.13.2, it says "How does assembly deem the process flawed".

Senator Duchaine:

My understanding is that assembly could come to the conclusion that this was flawed. Apparently an AMS executive team promised them that they would for sure hire someone were they hired. AMS assembly, after debate, recommended that the process be reopened. It buries the concern about an appointed position, that policy is followed, and that the right individuals are selected

Member Prescott:

For clarification, you said there would be an amendment included? Has this been brought forward?

Senator Duchaine:

Motion to amend the first part of it to include Interim Representatives to the AMS, and Interim Senators as well as people who need to be ratified.

Senator Stanley:

Point of information: Does the mover of the original motion need to introduce an amendment to the motion?

Speaker:

Yes

Member Sherman:

My one issue is that people are ratified at the AGM, where all members of Arts and Science can vote. What if a group of people has a vendetta against a certain person? They would no longer be able to serve in that position. That's my one big concern.

Senator Duchaine:

I'd like to propose an amendment that then says 'at the next regular meeting of ASUS assembly'.

Commission Grotsky:

So if assembly deems someone to be not fit, would it have to be through a majority vote, 2/3 majority, unanimous?

Senator Duchaine:

It says a 2/3 vote.

Senator Stanley:

Motion to move to committee as a whole
Seconded by Representative Wiseman

Vote:

For: 3
Against: 14
Abstain: 3

Motion fails

Vice-President Tahiri:

This is an amendment to the motion. The spirit of this motion is so that we don't have to ratify committees that have been struck or that have already been voted on. Instead of figuring out chairs, council, etc, can't we say "all members who are elected"?

Senator Duchaine:

I don't consider this friendly.

Member Prescott:

My understanding of this policy is that if anyone is being hired for a committee, that they don't have to be ratified by assembly. During ratification is where you get to have the Q&A period for the candidates. I understand people here may not be the experts on that area, per se. But, their questions are still valid, and I see this as a way to shut out the voice of the people, and were I on assembly I'd be voting against this.

Commissioner Cutajar:

I pass my time to Vice-President Tahiri:

Vice-President Tahiri:

Updated amendment "That we do not have to ratify all members who have been voted to be on a committee"

Senator Duchaine:

You should never ratify an elected member. If someone is elected by the will of the general population, we do not have the right to revoke that unless we give them the due process, and furthermore, I deem the amendment friendly.

Senator Stanley:

Point of Information: What is the actual string of text upon which to be voted?

Speaker:

The following senior volunteer or honoraria positions shall be subject to ratification: ASUS Council, Head Gael, ASUS Judicial Committee Members, ASUS CRO, Interim Representatives and Interim Senators, OC Chairs.

Senator Stanley:

I thought it was just OCs?

Representative Chinniah:

Proposing another amendment: I think this is good, but assembly does not function with

perfect information as to whether or not someone is fit. What I propose is that every single candidate for ratification will include a small blurb of their resume, how they came, what experience they have, what activities they have partook in that uniquely qualify them for the position in order to assist assembly in choosing.

Speaker:

One thing to note is that the Internal Affairs Commissioner and I don't believe that you can set criteria upon which you can vote. Keep in mind that it may not necessarily hold up upon JCOM review.

Senator Duchaine:

Wouldn't this be the policy we are using in the future?

Speaker:

I don't know if it's unconstitutional. For assembly's sake, this may be subject to JCOM review.

Senator Duchaine:

Point of information: Have we met or ratified JCOM this year?

Commissioner Bourne:

Point of information: As far as I know, the JCOM chair and JCOM are not chosen by assembly. I don't think it's appropriate to ratify them in the same way as commissioners. To answer your question, they have not been ratified, but they have been hired.

Speaker:

Anyone can join JCOM.

Commissioner Bourne:

Point of information: In March, each year, the outgoing chair, the incoming and outgoing internal affairs commissioner will act as a hiring committee for JCOM. They hire the chair, and then together they work to hire the rest of JCOM.

Representative Chinniah:

Amendment: "That all candidates for ratification by ASUS assembly would be required to provide a small biographical paragraph detailing their activities and qualities"

Commissioner Grotzky:

I don't think that this is fair, because all of the positions are no-experience.

Senator Stanley:

Move to table this debate so we can get a JCOM reference as to whether or not it's constitutional

Seconded by 2014 President El-Rahimy

Vote:

For: 11

Against: 9

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Senator Duchaine:

I've sent this to you monday morning and this is the first time I've heard that it's unconstitutional

Speaker:

I'm not saying it is, just that I don't know.

Also of note, I'm not privy to rule on any of this, I just don't know where this stands.

Member Prescott:

Point of information: Given the potential for JCOM to overrule this, if this is a constitutional amendment. If JCOM has not gotten back to us by the end of the second reading, then what do we do?

Commissioner Bourne:

Part of JCOM's rule is to provide constitutional interpretation. There will be conflicting standards that exist within the constitution. Were a conflict to exist, assembly always has the power to change the policy and exert their supremacy.

Representative Rubin:

You said that in the amendment, that there was something about voting on how much you need to pass it, I didn't actually see something.

Commissioner Grotsky:

It does say in constitution in generally.

Speaker:

If it's not mentioned, it's assumed to be a majority vote

Senator Stanley:

Motion to amend the policy so that it explains that OC is the Orientation Committee. Taking out the words OC and putting in the words Orientation Committee, and also take out the twice-used "include"

Senator Duchaine:

I consider this friendly.

Commissioner Bourne:

I'd like to thank Commissioner Cutajar for bringing this to my attention. This is implicit in my explanation of the role for Judicial Committee. I'd like to strike ASUS Judicial Committee members from the motion. This is perhaps not a conflict of interest, but it would be weird if we didn't ratify them.

Senator Duchaine:

It is my implicit understanding that the ASUS oversees the capacity of the Judicial Committee, and so I believe that the Judicial Committee must come to assembly. I don't believe that it's fair that they're hired solely by their predecessors. There definitely needs to be student input, from elected Representatives and students at large.

Speaker:

My apologies, Representative Chinniah had an amendment. We will set aside this debate to JCOM

Member Prescott:

Point of personal privilege: I find it ironic that the mover of this motion would get up and say that there needs to be more student voices to ratify JCOM and yet the spirit of this motion is to get rid of ratifications

Senator Stanley:

Point of order: Is this a point of personal privilege?

Speaker:

No, it is not.

Vice-President Tahiri:

Point of information: Might I suggest a seated 2-minute recess. I don't see the necessity of tabling this motion. Senator Duchaine has had this posted for awhile.

2014 Year Society President El-Rahimy:

Point of information: If we choose not to recess, can we still motion to table?

Speaker:

Yes

Vice-President Tahiri:

Motion for a 2-minute recess

Seconded by COMPSA Vice-President Bannerman

Vote:

For: 11

Against: 6

Abstain: 1

Senator Stanley:

Motion to table

Seconded by Vice-President Tahiri

Vote:

For: 17

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Director Ismail-Tera:

Motion to open the agenda

Seconded by member-at-large

Vote:

For: 14
Against: 2
Abstain: 1

Motion passes

Director Ismail-Tera:

Can we move package motion 14 up to the next motion?
Seconded by Vice-President Tahiri

Vote:

For: 14
Against: 3
Abstain: 3

Motion passes

Member Goodman:

Motion to close the agenda
Seconded by member-at-large

Vote:

For: 20
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Motion 6 (package motion 14): "That ASUS Assembly strike the Joint Committee comprised of two (2) members of the Board of Directors and two (2) members of assembly for the purposes of honoraria evaluation"

Moved by: Benjamin Bourne
Seconded by: Irfan Tahiri

Commissioner Bourne:

This is the result of the motion that was stamped earlier which changes the way we do honoraria review at ASUS. In lieu of the old committee structure mostly comprised of assembly members, this will be comprised of two members of assembly and two members of the board of directors. I'm reminding that this is mandated by policy. We are still obliged to do this

Senator Stanley:

A request for all members of assembly, could you please speak louder?

Representative Goodman:

How much time is required on this meeting?

Vice-President Tahiri:

Once we strike this, I will be sending out an e-mail to those who will be meeting. By week 8, everyone receiving an honoraria must have written a self evaluation and an evaluation for the people for whom you are responsible. We will get together, you'll get an e-mail from Leanne, and you'll receive the reviews of us from her, our self reviews. Leanne is a non-voting, sitting member. You make

your decision, the chair of the committee and one other member will sit down with the executive, tell them the honoraria they are receiving, and the improvements that they need to make.

It's within two weeks

One amendment: I'd like it to be 3 members of assembly instead of 2 members of assembly, because since it's a voting committee, there will be a tie-breaker vote. Director Ismail-Tera already has this amendment written. This is a small change, and the chair would come from those three assembly members. The Board of Directors will choose their two members. They have not been able to select their members yet due to time constraints. You have the two members of the board who are responsible for ensuring that we are responsible for our portfolio. And if you're on this committee, please either Facebook or e-mail me your e-mail.

Member Sherman:

Point of information: The business manager does not sit on the committee as a non-voting member. The business manager is able to submit a report based on the quality

You do have to amend the motion before you ratify the three members

Vice-President Tahiri:

Yes, we'd have to vote on the amendment first.

People understand why we would be violating constitution in just this case. They will be meeting tomorrow or early this week

Senator Stanley:

I don't think Member Sherman was finished his point of information. Can we cut down on the cross talk please?

Member Sherman:

Since the motion was stamped, it is no longer up for debate or amendment, and that's the current policy, unless proposed through an amendment because it is based off of the constitutional policy which was stamped earlier this night.

The amendment cannot happen because of the stamping that occurred earlier tonight.

Senator Stanley:

Would this not require more readings, constitutional amendments, and this is only finished by week 12?

Speaker:

If we want to make a constitutional amendment, which it would be, considering we stamped one. We would reopen the agenda, pass a motion to do it, do two readings, and then it would be okay.

Member Sherman:

With a 2/3 majority vote, you can bypass the two readings of the constitution. This is what we do in the AMS policy and how we went over the 6.5 hour time limit last year.

Vice-President Tahiri:

I'd like to remove the amendment, for now we'll keep it at four.

Representative Wiseman:

This is more of a question, you'll be overlooking the honoraria for the Head Gael and

Orientation Committee Chairs

Vice-President Tahiri:

Yes, this is detailed.

Member Sherman:

Point of information: after extensive debate last assembly, the review committee which is for board and assembly only applies to the executive.

For every other position, it is up to the supervisor to collect all of the information, do the review, and if there is a grievance, to submit it proper Review Board.

This committee is exclusively for the executive. It will be 2 members of the board of directors, 2 members of assembly, that's it

Senator Duchaine:

Motion to put to question

Seconded by COMPSA Vice-President Bannerman

Vote:

For: 19

Against: 0

Abstain: 1

Motion passes

Speaker:

Now we are going to nominations for the two members of assembly

Nominations

Senator Stanley – Decline

Senator Duchaine – Accept

COMPSA Vice-President Bannerman – Accept

Speaker Davis – Accept

Representative Mattiussi – Decline

Commissioner Bourne:

Point of information: Members of assembly do not count the rector, business manager,

Senator Stanley:

Motion to put into question

Vote:

For: 20

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Senator Stanley:

Motion to remove Q&A period

Vote:

For: 18
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Senator Stanley:

Point of information: How many votes?

Commissioner Bourne:

Only one.

Member Sherman:

Point of information: we're allowed to debate. It's not part of the Q&A period

Representative Chinniah:

Motion to wave debate

Seconded by 2014 Year Society President El-Rahimy

Representative Chinniah:

I remove my motion.

Commissioner Bourne:

Motion to put into question

Seconded by Vice-President Tahiri

Vote:

For: 15
Against: 1
Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Member Prescott:

Point of information: has a secret ballot been called?

Commissioner Bourne:

Secret ballots involve paper.

Member Prescott:

There really are no rules for secret ballots. We're always flying by the seat of our pants

Vote to select members:

<i>Senator Duchaine:</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>COMPSA Vice-President Bannerman:</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Speaker Davis:</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Abstain:</i>	<i>1</i>

Selected members are Senator Duchaine and Speaker Davis

Member Sherman:

Point of information: What's always been done is that you call into question the voting.
The motion is still on the floor. So debate is back up?

Speaker:

Yes. You are correct. We are in the debate portion before passing **motion 6**.

Member Sherman:

I do have concerns with the speaker sitting on this panel. I find it bizarre that they sit on a funds allocation committee and have them still be an arbiter for assembly afterwards. In fairness for the neutrality of this position, I find it difficult to believe that they can allocate funds and still be neutral afterwards. By virtue of the position of the speaker, they should not be allowed on this committee.

Senator Stanley:

With all due respect to Member Sherman and his argument, it is flawed for two reasons. One is that the Speaker is not serving as his position as assembly on the committee, but as a member of assembly. Speaker Davis will be serving on that committee as himself in his function as Speaker. And to the second point, is there no better arbiter of honoraria than the most neutral power on assembly? If the speaker is indeed a body of neutrality and has to remain neutral throughout, their opinion will in theory remain completely unbiased and unblemished, giving them the best opinion.

Member Goodman:

Motion to call to question

Seconded by COMPSA Vice-President Bannerman

Vote:

For: 18

Against: 0

Abstain: 1

Motion passes

Vote on motion:

For: 19

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Motion 7 (package motion 10): "That ASUS Assembly strike the Grants Committee, chaired by the Vice-President with four (4) members of assembly"

Moved by: Irfan Tahiri

Seconded by: Benjamin Bourne

Vice-President Tahiri:

This is to strike the committee for ASUS Grants. You will be sitting with me in a room. In November, we open up the grants for clubs and other student initiatives.

We collect the applications, we sit together and read them all, and allocate 1000\$ per semester.

At the end of November or early December, they get the money and are ratified at assembly. You are responsible in this process.

We have a lot of people to nominate for these things, and a reminder: As ASUS Representatives to AMS, one of your jobs is to stand on these types of committees

Senator Stanley:

When would this be happening?

Vice-President Tahiri:

Currently unknown dates. I will meet with the marketing commissioner, we'll set a deadline, it'll be on the newsletter, twitter, etc.

Prepare for a weekend, some evenings

Senator Stanley:

Motion to open nominations

Seconded by Member Goodman

Vote:

For: 20

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Nominations

2014 Year Society President El-Rahimy - Accept

2014 Year Society Vice-President – Accept

Representative Walsh – Decline

Representative McLaughlin – Decline

Representative Goodman – Accept

Senator Smolej – Accept

Vice-President Tahiri:

Motion to close nominations

Seconded by member-at-large

Vote:

For: 17

Against: 2

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Members selected are Representative Goodman, 2014 Year Society President El-Rahimy, 2014 Year Society Vice-President Smith, and Senator Smolej

Vote on motion:

For: 18

Against: 0

Abstain: 2

Motion passes

Motion 7 (package motion 11): "That ASUS Assembly strike the Student Initiative Fund

Committee, chaired by the Vice-President with four (4) members of assembly"

Moved by: Irfan Tahiri

Seconded by: Benjamin Bourne

Vice-President Tahiri:

The ASUS Grants are for all clubs

This is for a fund open to all undergraduate students looking to positively affect their university experience or education. Same timeline as the other one

Motion to begin nominations

Seconded by Senator Stanley

Vote:

For: 19

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Nominations

2016 Year Society Vice-President Vaz – Accept

2016 Year Society President Uychocde

Representative Walsh – Decline

Representative Rubin – Accept

Representative Mattiussi – Decline

Academic Representative Lumsden – Accept

Member-at-large:

Motion to close nomination

Seconded by member-at-large

Vote:

For: 16

Against: 1

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Vote on motion 7:

For: 18

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Motion 8 (package motion 12): "That ASUS Assembly strike the Special Projects Fund Committee, chaired by the Vice-President with four (4) members of assembly"

Moved by: Irfan Tahiri

Seconded by: Benjamin Bourne

Vice-President Tahiri:

This is a fund for clubs that seek to benefit the society

CESA Vice-President Ferguson:

Is this going to be the same timeline?

Vice-President Tahiri:

Yes

Senator Stanley:

Motion to open nominations

Seconded by member-at-large

Vote:

For: 20

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Passes

Nominations

COMPSA Vice-President Bannerman - Accept

CESA Vice-President Ferguson - Accept

Representative Chinniah – Accept

International Representative Pang – Decline

Senator Stanley – Accept

Member-at-large:

Motion to close nominations

Seconded by member-at-large

Vote:

For: 19

Against: 0

Abstain: 1

Motion passes

Vote on motion 8:

For: 17

Against: 0

Abstain: 3

Motion passes

Motion 9 (package motion 13): "That ASUS Assembly strike the Equity and Diversity Grant Committee, chaired by the Vice-President with four (4) members of assembly and the Equity & Diversity Commissioner"

Moved by: Irfan Tahiri

Seconded by: Carson Falk

Vice-President Tahiri:

This shall be available to undergraduate groups or clubs with a mandate to halting oppression or hate

Same timeline as all of the other ones

Senator Duchaine:

Is there anything in policy about a group being able to receive more than one grant from the committees we just struck?

Vice-President Tahiri:

I would say no, though I don't know. If you are an ASUS club and you apply for a grant and we have money leftover from the special projects fund, we can take money out of there for the club
There are specific mandates for each and what they're tailored to

Senator Duchaine:

I was just wondering if WWW would be eligible to apply for this in the first round since they were not in the budget when this was announced.

Vice-President Tahiri:

Given that it has passed, they are an ASUS committee and can apply for club grant

Senator Stanley:

Motion to open nominations
Seconded by member-at-large

Vote:

For: 20
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Nominations

International Representative Pang – Accept
Representative Mattiussi – Accept
Representative Walsh – Accept
Representative Chinniah – Decline
Representative McLaughlin – Decline
Representative Wiseman – Decline
Representative Goodman – Accept

Senator Stanley:

Move to close nominations
Seconded by member-at-large

Vote:

For: 20
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Vote on motion 9:

For: 18
Against: 0

Abstain: 2
Motion passes

Discussion Period

Senator Stanley:

Motion to end discussion period
Seconded by member-at-large

Vote:

For: 20
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Speaker's Last Words

Speaker:

I really want to go home

Vice-President Tahiri:

If you are voted to be on the committee today, please e-mail me with your name, which committee you're on.

Motion to adjourn

Vote:

For: 18
Against: 1
Abstain: 0

Motion passes

Finishing Time: 10:21