**Meeting Agenda - Fifth Meeting of the Board**

**Date: November 18th 2018**

**Location: University of Ottawa - STE 5084**

**Attendance:**

Executive:

* Dean Ferenczy, *VP Internal*
* Marianne Lee, *VP External*
* Tae Kim, *VP Administration*
* Liam Maloney, *VP Communications (Absent)*
* Kimberley Paradis, *VP Philanthropic*
* Rukyya Badreldin, *VP Academic (Excused)*
* Charbel Choueifaty, *VP President*
* Travis Davies, *VP Services*
* Monique Labaky, *VP Finance*

Sub-association presidents:

* Heemel Saha, *IEEE (Absent)*
* Iris Samputu, *ChESS*
* Kivanc Yildiz, *MESS(Present, arrived at 3:26)*
* David Wen, *CSCE(Absent)*

Year Reps:

* First Year:
  + Olivier Lafleche (Civil), *Section A(Absent)*
  + Toby Easterbrook (Mechanical), *Section B*
  + Tony Kim, *Section C*
  + Kathleen (Katie) Newman, *Section D*
  + Cecilia Lou, *Section E*
  + Leena Tran (Civil), *Section H(Absent)*
  + Eda Su Bicer, *Section A (F)*
  + Liam Roche (Chemical), *Section B (F)*
* Chemical Engineering Representatives:
  + Lucas Taylor-Erichson, *2nd year(Absent)*
  + N/A, *3rd year*
  + N/A, 4th Year
* Computer Engineering Representatives:
  + Rafi Biouss, *2nd year*
  + N/A, *3rd year*
  + N/A, *4th year*
* Mechanical Engineering Representatives:
  + Piers Hancock, *2nd year(Absent)*
  + N/A, *3rd year*
  + *3:26 arrival of Kivanc*
  + Viran Daluwatte, *4th year*
* Civil Engineering Representatives:
  + Mary-Kate Jory, *2nd year(Excused)*
  + Noah Andrea, *3rd year*
  + N/A, *4th year*
* Electrical Engineering Representatives:
  + John Zhao, *2nd year(Absent)*
  + N/A, *3rd year*
  + James Lim, *4th year(Excused)*
* Software Engineering Representatives:
  + N/A, *2nd year*
  + N/A, *3rd year*
  + N/A, *4th year*
* Co-Op Representatives:
  + Anne Fagnan(Absent)
* French Representatives:
  + N/A, *2nd year*
  + N/A, *3rd year*
  + N/A, *4th year*

**Call to Order:**

1. **Adoption of the Agenda**

**Motion**: Devon: Give speaking rights to secretaries until the end of the current meeting.

**Second**: Tae

**Discussion**:

**Vote**: 18 for, 1 against

1. **Updates**
   1. **Executive**

President:

* All 19 fed bodies sent out a letter supporting SFUO
* Spoke to previous Dean about accreditation, it is hearsay
* Travis: are we having a meeting next week?

Charbel: I really don’t think it’s necessary. We are giving updates right now so i don’t see the point of having meetings every week. We don’t want to lose the demographic

Liam: What about the people that prioritized the other meeting over this one?

Charbel: this is a special meeting because something was pressing that needed to be brought up

Devon: if it is a special meeting it should be more important than other meetings

Travis: this isn’t a special meeting it’s just a meeting

Viran: Do you want to talk to us about this letter because that is why we’re here?

Charbel: There was no motion sent so this is just a meeting

Viran: we have a motion but we want to know all of the information first

Noah: Can we let Charbel get through his speech before we attack him

Charbel: The essence of the letter is that all fed bodies undersigned on the letter agree that we are in support of the SFUO in its place. We feel like it’s the best course of action, considering the consequences of removing it. There is a lot of stuff that a lot of students are not informed about, and students are just accepting what they see on social media or on news outlets for the school. After meeting 2-3 times a week, the president’s roundtable agreed that the best case was to maintain the sfuo and bring changes as needed, because the changes that have been brought because of this situation is larger than any changes in previous years. I brought to the SFUO that the only way fed bodies will help them is if they listen to our wants and needs and help us back. We will go with the people that we believe will represent the students the most, and with everyone, this is the way we decided to go. A day and a half before the letter was sent out, the university and SFUO met to discuss the report. Only students received the letter regarding the referendum ( no faculty members). We couldn’t let this email cause chaos and we wanted to show that what they’re doing is not the right things and we agreed not to post the letter unless each fed body decided individually that they wanted to do it.

Viran: You said all of the fed bodies agreed to send the email. By this do you mean the whole fed body or the exec?

Charbel: Just the exec. This is what we decided based on the time frame

Tony: On the email that the university sent us, they said that the results didn’t restore their faith. Is the university willing to work with them?

Charbel: Instead of trying to find an agreement, they are finding an interim agreement until referendum.

Kivanc: how does affect the university?

Charbel: they are making the student’s decide what to do.

Dean: I think that someone should say that we should all be sketched out about how the university is acting, like saying one thing and then doing the other. We should be worried about what their actual motives are.

Katie: do you know what’s happening with the other undergraduate student union.

Charbel: Yes we have a presentation about the findings/research that we’ve done before.

Devon gives speaking writes to Ben

BE: referendum is wrong, ballot for the students, not formulated yet, depending who is on the ballot does not mean immediate agreement is being signed, the university will start negotiating with the, start more aggressive agreement with whatever student union wins. Will most likely be a long process.

Charbel: status report for SFUO services

Kim: we put our a survey in Sept, open up until two weeks ago, analyzed program and year and SFUO services, which ones the students think are important, Devon could think that the Women’s services are important but not necessarily use them. Wanted to see what the students are thinking, research possibilities of the referendum and evaluate the consequences of the referendum. Survey 361 students answers, 6% of undergrad including comp sci. Pretty equal number of students from year 1 to 4 answering, at least one of the services was thought to be important (91.4%). Never used a service was common for second and third year students who answered the survey (services centers are pretty new). There are 12 service centers, 3 services, human rights office, and ombudsperson office. The finances, SFUO absorbs the consts of labour and production by making money with the businesses that they own (Cafe alt and PIVIC). There are a lot of partnerships with local businesses and the city of Ottawa, get a lot of free condoms and such from their partnerships. The service centers: Food bank, foot patrol, center for students with disabilities, students right center, women's resource, peer help, pride, uOSERT, bilingualism, sustainability, international house, bike COOP. the peer help center helps with academic advisors, peer to peer counselling, using volunteers or employees for the counselling.

Tae: STEM second floor the tutoring room is really good , get assignments done really fast because of getting help

Viran: is that no run by the faculty though?

Kim: That one might be, but the peer help center is another help/access point

Charbel: Rukyya really wanted to emphasize the students right center, they have requests for grade revisions, withdrawls from the faculty or courses,exam deferrals, help with problems with profs, reimbursements, administrative issues \*is a really big service that helps a lot of students,

KIm: Ombudsperson office, you can go there to get an unbiased officer that will help you deal with issues that go against the university/ human rights office helps with small legal cases or legal advice, hire students studying law as volunteers; reduced fees or for free. THE UOSU, wanted to see what they would offer us, they want to work with current SFUO union to make sure that all of the currently affiliated students still have jobs. THey want to take over all current SFUO services, voted in by the BOA. Plan on creating a budget once voted in for the referendum, this could be a problem because we won’t see their finances until they are voted in (wouldn’t give financial info even though requested a few times). Full time professional will take over the full time jobs (not students, they will have oher volunteer positions). They are discrediting uOSERT, be replaced by protection services; student response team are trained more than a standard emergency response team, they have a lot more experience than regular. They have letters from hospitals to show that they are a very important service.

Charbel: uOSERT is very important, they are 80 volunteers that would be gogin, moving their jobs to the two active protection services. They don’t have the same qualifications as uOSERT, and money will need to come out of faculties in case of medical emergencies

Kivanc: are uosert actually a necessary thing?

KIm: meeting with uOSERT to get their statistics soon

Dean: uOSERT is important, the are paramedics, but also students trying to get into med school use it as a volunteering position, for academic and medical standpoint are useful

Devon: 101 week, we would have to hire medical professionals to take care of the drunk 101ers, so that would add a lot of cost, uosert are for free, they are experienced ex. In first aid guides would probably be fine, but uosert are trained for specific settings and the are prepared for it, and protection maybe isn't prepared

Viran: faculty and sketchy things (re: Dean) problem doesn’t include the university, the letter was sent out without discussion or consulting the students

Kim: uosert responds to violence and rape on campus, maybe in those situations students are easier to talk to vs protection. Financials, will not cover costs of labour as business run by SFUO will close, so bus passes might go up. Financials will be handled by professionals and not students

Viran: what is the goal of this presentation?

Charbel: to show you the data that we have collected to support the signing of the letter

Kim: we have meetings that will settle things in the next couple of weeks, but we wanted to give an update

Liam: the labour costs by the UPAs is not a thing, it is a set thing

Dean: It is the labour cost of the people manning the lines and passes, the labour costs are covered/absorbed by the running of hipster coffee bar cafe alt

LIam: they can’t raise the tuitions any more, is at the max

Viran: algonquin did not always have a upass,

Tae: last summer increase in tuition, crowd in front of Tabaret, political student matter, students don’t want/can’t afford a tuition increase, don’t want to give them another reason

3:51 Noah leaves

Anne: the upass says $252 per term, on the OC transpo website

Tae: the services is to have it on campus, and not at the rideau mall

Discussion called circular

Kim: suspension of services, it would require a larger committee, we cannot take over the food banks, or UOSERT, or foot patrol, we can’t really try and take over these services, costly and time investment. Would require a student levy, would require more funds and rooms. We cannot takeover these wervies

Kivanc: could we combine services with other faculties

Viran: this is speculation

Devon: you want to make a new student union combining us and CSSA, have to rewrite a constitution, we could not run everything and provide all of the student services currently on the table

Iiam: the ess receives money from students

Kim: no it goes to EEF

Liam: if pay money to SFUO, does it get all of the money, if we defederate would we get more money?

4:00 Iris leaves  
Kim: big logistical issue, who manages the funds, go through the university admins, would have to recreate something on our own. Equity and putting money together, all eng money would not be enough to run 12 service centers and three services

Devon: you pay tuition to university and university then gives allocated amounts to sfuo and then ess receives levies, so not all money is from students, but the sfuo does give services. Between 6 and 4000 students under ESS, only getting money from the eng students would not be enough to cover all costs

Viran: the point of this whole presentation is to give the reasons why the ESS sent this letter, the options on how we should proceed

Tony: the burden would not fall directly on ESS if the SFUO falls and the services would be spread out to everyone, all of the faculties

Charbel: if we get rid of the SFUO, things that could go wrong is student quality of life going down because student services not being offered properly for the next 1-2 years due to having time to set up and get running as a new student union. Or the university could not bring back all of the services deemed necessary by our form.

Heemel arrived 4:06

Charbel: clubs probably won’t get proper funding, clubs that are there right now, maybe 300 could try and operate on their own but they have nothing. SFUO could add more sanctions, or any other student union have nothing for funds in the constitution, levis paid out once per year logistically does not seem to make sense, no penalties from

Kivanc: clubs haven’t been receiving funds

Megan: for 2 years clubs maybe haven’t been getting funds

Charbel: I have seen people sign off on funding for clubs. Quality of services goes down for the services, or the price gets raised to maintain the quality as it stands. Sticking with SFUO for now will actually benefit students, we could defederate later if we choose to and be able to buy into services if necessary

Viran: the way i see it is you should have opened with this and said that this is the data and everyone should make up their mind. You said you are supporting them and didn’t present this information to the students. My opinion hasn’t changed in the fact that I think you should have consulted the board, who is supposed to represent the student body as a whole.

Dean: Are you sure that the ESS isn’t supposed to represent the students? We get voted in and when you're under time constraints and a decision needs to be made, you should trust your voted exec.

Devon: we are making a report but it takes time and we haven’t yet had that amount of time before the letter was sent out. Given the time constraints, I believe that this was the best course of action.

Viran: To Dean, your argument was that students should trust the exec. None of you were voted in to make those decisions. The purpose of this board is to make those decisions. Devon, why was there a time constraint? I don’t understand why there was one. Why was it important that the letter to be sent out asap?

Charbel: The email sent out for the referendum cause a time restraint.

Liam M 4:17

Liam R: it makes no sense when other fed bodies such as telfer, aeeippsa, ssa didn’t sign the letter.

Kim: we have been working on this since reading week. The goal was to present it to the board next meeting.

Sameeha arrived 4:21

Viran: You said you didn’t have the stuff put together to send out and then you said that there may be an uproar and people wouldn’t understand what’s going on. Do you believe that sending this letter has presented this letter.

Charbel: it may have and more clarifications are coming for when the referendum happens. The point of this letter is to start a movement to show fed bodies are in support to sfuo. Aeeippsa was on board until right before. They have the most conflict of interest in regard to their exec being on ousu. Science pulled out their approval right around the deadline and said that they were going to discuss sending it out soon. Telfer sent it out without their signature.

Liam: Why wasn’t the board of directors asked even if it was over facebook. With the student associations that hadn’t sent out the letter, there was no uprising. Why couldn’t we have fallen in their footsteps?

Travis: The letter also said as executives, so it was therefore on us.

Charbel: the timeframe that we had, we thought that we weren’t going to get anyone in the room (in the middle of midterms) weren’t going to post a letter in there, it could be leaked, for the integrity of the letter.

Devon: how do you know at the AEEIPPSA emergency meeting?

Liam: I don’t I just put two and two together, and one of my friends was at the meeting

Kim: all of the information we presented to you today took half an hour. We would have had to sent a very long letter, or the slide, etc. We would not have been able to explain all of this in person

Kivanc: reply to Travis, we signed the letter as execs so didn’t have to ask the students, by saying that you remove yourself from representing the students, which is a bigger problem

Viran: I don’t believe that the executive of the ESS should take official stances. THis happened last year with supporting solutions. It isn’t your place to take these stances when the visibility you have as an exec can sway decisions. There were a lot of points that were biased. When you presented, I saw a lot of times where it was like UOSU is better for this but they won’t do this, which is all tailored towards why you sent this letter. If i could have said anything about the solutions thing last year I would have but I was chair.

Dean: ess can’t represent the students only when convenient, represent the students as best as they can all of the time, representing their opinions. The real purpose of the BOD is to act as the second head of state to keep ess accountable for their actions, but the ESs exec has the right to do something to be kept accountable by the BOA, keep accountable but don’t represent a larger amount of students or their opinions.

Travis: It should be clear that he isn’t saying that our decision was stupid, he was just saying that in general if we had made a decision that was decided not right.

Liam: You guys could have made an effort to consult the board of directors. In the constitution it says that you could have attempted to have a meeting.

KIm: the BAO represents the students, survey with 361 responses, 91.4% of students said at least one of the services offered by the SFUO is important, survey was available for 10 weeks

Charbel: We couldn’t even have a meeting, we took a vote in our exec group chat. All 9 other exec had to agree

Devon: what time did you send it to us at?

Tae: 10pm, less than 12h before we had to make a decision

Charbel: The rest of that time, I was contemplating whether we should put our name on it. I decided that if the 9 execs could vote then i would sign off.

Liam: did you give the exec any alternative to signing off on the letter?

Dean: yes, either sign or not and if a single person said no, then it would not have been sent

Devon: Yes, i had issues with the letter. I read through and found changes, and sent these changes to chef and he brought the changes forward to the rest of the president's to make the changes permanent before it was published. We had the opportunity to change the letter and reflect the viewpoint of the students as we agreed.

Viran: response to Dean

Dean: I made a real passionate raw raw speech

Viran: the board being the second head of state to keep ess in check, why we wanted to call the meeting, technically we aren’t the second head of state because as the BOA we all have equal power, ESS exec is not above the BOA

Liam M: When he said “second head of state” he meant like another head of states. In a business, you don’t ask the board of directors something. You do it, then you have your meeting where they tell you what they think. We are happy that this meeting is happening. All we should be arguing right now is if we are backing the SFUO or not.

Heemal: we need a student union that taught ethics, based on the past few years tahts not the SFUO, and the things that they do reflect on the other fed bodies. The executive director, the CEO, held by Vanessa, who has on her own lost the confidence of the student body by ripping out voting cards, they are trying to change that but seems like its not going that way. Want to support things we represent, last winter, investigate defederating. For clubs, it may get worse in the immediate future, but it could get better. Some clubs this year havent gotten funding, people will lose thier jobs, but so many internal problems with sfuo, so it should be uprooted and started from scratch

Tae: what exactly is your main point

Heemal: this letter shouldn't have been sent out because it does not represent the opinions of the students

Noah arrived 4:44

Charbel: have you ever seen changes brought forth such as what has happened right now

Heemel: No but that is because of recent events

Charbel:, all leaders reping the studentbodies have agreed (maybe unanimously) to have voices heard now and in the future, and if there are financial fallouts from this it will be due to the university. We are not doing everything that everyone else are doing, we are looking at our own students, and we want what’s best for them. Uprooting the sfuo disadvantages students for the next coming years, student life will be non-existent, being based off of the consequences if the sfuo is voted out having a new student union or if the university come in. looking into defederating, the form was initially sent out for that specifically, because one of the main things is losing the services sfuo provided, wanted to see what the eng student say about how they use/value these services. Clubs getting better, some people this year did get money for clubs, if other clubs aren’t getting money it could be due to people being busy.

Dean: I don’t want to repeat but I hate the SFUO probably more than more people here. However, I don’t think now is the time to leave them. If we leave them then we would be leaving it in actual tatters. In the event of an SFUO collapse, we wouldn’t be able to ensure the security or funding for other clubs or fed bodies. We wouldn’t get formal levies, etc. If we were to leave them, and then they fall apart, then the University can discuss changes however they want. I want to defederate at one point but now is not the time.

Devon: so the goal of the letter is not to say that we love the SFUO, it was to support the SFUO over the fact of getting rid of it. A lot of people had people that are on the SFUO, not the SFUO itself. Members of the SFUO have done stupid things and should be accountable. Do we want to get rid of something that has a fixed deal with the university over someone who has to renegotiate all over again.

Viran: I agree with a lot of what heemel said. I don’t believe that discussing the semantics about discussing how good the SFUO is is the point of the meeting. Dean, you made a point about leaving the SFUO in tatters, which leaves the university in tatters or whatever. If anything, this would be the best and easiest time to get out of the SFUO. If we were to do that, we would be doing that and would serve the ESS students beyond that, we would not care about the rest of the university students. Devon argued that a lot of the issues we have are with the people not the organization. The biggest thing I have a problem about is when they switched so that general admission doesn't have a vote.

Kim: How did charbel know how it would take half of someone's degree, some of the services have taken a long time to get up and running as functional services, they will take time to be reestablished. Referendum on investigating defederation, for investigation purposes, only to look into those options. What other fed bodies are offering, what we could do.

Heemal: the referendum was for investigating but not come to a conclusion, the letter seems like it is closing the door on defederating, preserving the SFUO seems like preserving the system that they have in place.

Kivanc: I don’t think the students expect the ESS to fill in all voids immediately. People know it takes time. You may not agree, this is just my opinion. That being said, what people wanted from the referendum is to not be with them anymore. Just because they've been investigating from the 1990s, that doesnt mean thats how long it takes, they may have just been incompetent since them. We have our own clubs that students can participating in and this would not be as much of a loss for us.

**Motion:** Charbel: Go into camera until we vote to leave. (5:00)

**Second**: Travis

**Vote:** 17 for, 2 against (Kivanc and Dean), 2 abstentions

**Motion**: Viran Go out of camera.

**Second**:Kivanc

**Vote: unanimous**

Eda, Cecilia, Liam leaves 5:30

**Motion**: Viran: To have the ESS exec apologize for sending out the letter without consultation of the students, and present the topics we have discussed, including the presentation, as the basis of why they have sent it out. They can present that the ESS exec believe this but the board of directors does not necessarily agree or disagree; and that this statement was not intended to reflect the opinion of all engineering students as a whole.

**Second**: Kivanc

**Amendment**: To have the ESS exec stipulate the sending of the letter to specify the presentation as the basis of why they have sent it out. They can present that the ESS exec believe this but the board of directors does not necessarily agree or disagree; and that this statement was not intended to reflect the opinion of all engineering students as a whole.

**Discussion**:

Travis: on what basis is this?

Viran: My basis is that the letter was sent out in the official ESS media. You did not make it clear that it may or may not represent the students. You guys can have your opinion however I wanted to reflect that this has been done without consultation of students and it was not intended to sway anyone’s opinion on this.

Devon: is it necessary to be an apology, was done without asking the students, however done with the information that the ESS exec had. This is what the statement was based on, you are free to disagree

Charbel: it is a letter to the students, saying that the fed bodies believe this.

Viran: It should be an apology because you used official ESS media to represent your own personal opinion.

Travis: are you saying that we can’t use the ESS resources to ?

Dean: make an amendment to remove the word apologize, willing to move around wording to “stipulate” axe everything to presentation

**Amendment**: Dean: To have the ESS exec stipulate the sending of the letter to specify the basis of why they have sent it out. They can present that the ESS exec believe this but the board of directors does not necessarily agree or disagree; and that this statement was not intended to reflect the opinion of all engineering students as a whole

**Second**: Travis

**Discussion**:

Viran: I want the use of the word Apologize, because the whole point is that you guys did something out of line, which this does not express in my opinion.

Anne: ESS doesn’t have to apologize for what they thought was in the best interest of the students, they weren't trying to do anything wrong, if they came to that conclusion from the information that they had, then presenting that information to the students to make their own opinion to vote

Kivanc: the data that they had to make this decision doesn’t lie, however they’re interpretation of the data is biased towards sfuo.

Devon: How?

Kivanc: The form that was given out to all of the students was based around “why do you want the SFUO”

Viran: The way the information on the presentation was presented, there are a lot of times where you presented a lot more negative things about other presentations, however no negative things about SFUO.

Katie: how could it be biased? It doesn’t offer any other options, it is a complicated issue, you have reasons to support that

Kim: the presentation we gave to all of you today is not the report that we are making. We have a report that is only facts that we are getting from many meetings. The form that was sent out was literally about SFUO services, not about everything else. There was an option to say that none of the services that they had were valuable. We intended on showing up with the report and give everyone time to read it and then send it to the students after.

Rafi: I think that if we say it was an apologize then it would seem like you feel you’ve made the wrong decision which would lead to less trust from the students.

Tae: in his opinion, the presentation was so biased is because all of the other possibilities are non-existent, but they haven't done anything as of yet. Because the information available for the SFUO is based on past services.

Anne: the interim report/the final report, review the report before it is released to the students to make sure that it is unbiased and relevant, have an infographic to make the report easier to interpret and convey the main points

Dean: sometimes things seem biased if there is not another better option

Liam: I thought when we decided to do the survey, the purpose was to look into defederating so that may be why the information was skewed.

Heemel: I wanted to bring up the survey, It is easy to objectively look at a service and say that students need it. You have to realize who is running those services. There was no option to say that they want it run by a different group

Kim: The presentation was the SFUO services and service centres. It was not an evaluation of SFUO, just the centres that they have. This does not relate to the presentation.

Anne: Call to Question

**Vote:** 14 for, 3 against (Kivanc, Heemel, Viran), 1 abstention(Charbel)

Kim: we can do this and base it off of the presentation we did today, but I have meetings to do, and then we can put more facts to get out in the report instead of basing everything on the presentation

Monique: Shouldn’t we base the letter off of what we knew when we sent the original one out

Kim: the most facts we can give the better

Dean: Kim are you suggesting that we make an amendment to the amended motion such that we wait to release the report along with our stipulation

Anne: there’s no timeline on this, replying to Kim, should be finalized before anything is released

Heemel: there will be more information in the coming weeks, but the point of this motion is to say that the ess went ahead and made this decision without the board

Devon: is it friendly to strike the presentation itself

Viran: yes

Charbel: point on the motion, I honestly believe that for us to retract something that was said to the students, this was already going to happen when the report was finished

Viran: after you cancelled the apology, the spirit of what was supposed to come from this motion is gone

**Vote**: 9 for, 9 abstentions (Kivanc, Viran) Motion Fails

Quinn: In the SFUO’s new list of rules, is there anything that will make it harder for people to weasel into position

Charbel: the finance position will be a highered accountant.

Devon: they are wiping all members once they have a new agreement, based on what someone said, a full reelection

Charbel: they are having a by election

Rafi leaves 6:14

Alexis: vp finance for ESCO AGM, make a comittee to host, chairs are Kim and Marianne, to make this happen there needs to be a bank account, ESCO wouldn’t open the bank account, aked ESS to open a sub-bank account (not able to access ESS money)

**Motion:** Marianne: ESS loans ESSCO AGM 2019 Committee $5000 which is to be paid back within a week of the conference end date.

**Seconded:** Katie

Tae leaves 6:22

Devon: can we take this out of our savings?

Charbel: yes giving $5000 to an event we are hosting, it falls on us regardless

Kivanc: when can you repay the ESS

Alexis: within a week of the conference, june 6-9 of 2019

Kivanc: can we add the date to be paid back into the motion

Marianne: does it have to be paid back in one lump sum, at the end?

Kivanc: doesn’t care how paid back

Kim: set a deadline for when the money will be back for the ESS

Marianne: within a week after the event, the $5000 will be paid back to the ESS

Viran: the bank accounts, how is the banking going to work?

Alexis: the bank account is under ESS name

Viran: who allowed this to go through

Alexis: it hasn’t happened yet

Viran: I don’t like how this will be resolved outside of council, finances not being dealt with until the next term

Katie: could the budget be posted, when do the deposits need to be made

Alexis: the dates are included in the budget, they need to be made soon

Viran: have you asked the faculty of eng to help you with the location

Alexis: yes and they won't. Will be hosted at 90U

Devon: it should be discussed now as it is coming out of ESS funds

Heemel: talking in facour of this motion, it is our job as boa that a conference like this goes succesfuly, the short notice they were give, we should put our resources towards this to make sure it goes well

Viran: although i support the conference, the wording they were given a tight deadline, you bid on this conference, so based on my knowledge, you bid, Esco votes, and then you get the conference. It is a little bit problematic that it is not a surprose that you got the evet, you should have had this figured out a little earlier

Kim: bid for a conference in advance, could be up to 2 years in advance, no one bid for ESCOAGM, so for the big schools in ontatio, uottawa wasn’t hosting a big conference so ESCO asked marianne to host it

Alexis: it was last minute becasue they came to us and asked us  
Viran: I feel your pain, but you weren’t mandated to host, you were asked. Also are you asking for a loan or line of credit?

Alexis: asking for a loan of $5000 due to the budget

Viran: lump sum back out and then back in?

Alexis: would you prefer that the loan is replaced in a lump sum up to a aweek later?

Charbel: making a one time loan of $5000 would cut transfer costs and such instead of drawing money

Heemel: they did have the option not to do this, and originally wan’t on board, but now wer are oblicagted to hsot, so we shoyld help them out in any way

Devon : it looks bad as a school or student society if you choose not to host these events if asked

Kim: if decide to go with the route of a sub-bank account, same signing as the regular account, two step process to get money out, requires ⅔ signing authorities before money transfers

Viran: you are allowed to say no, we are currently in a bit of a situation

Noah: Our only choice right now is to support them. I suggest we move towards how we are going to help them

Travis: Call to Question

**Votes**: 11 for, 4 abstention (Viran, Kim, Marianne) motion passes

**Motion**: Viran: The finances of the ESSCO AGM shall be kept separate from the ESS’ finances (ESSCO AGM committee does not open a sub account under the ESS’ name.)

**Second:** Kivanc

**Discussion**:

Viran: ess exec terms end in april, that is when the finances are, \_\_\_ some meeting, there was a problem with funds going to this conference leaving the ESS with little funds, any problems encountered with the ECSO conference will fall onto the ESS to pay, or another option would be to open a bank account under their own name

Alexis: none of us feel comfortable to open a bank account under our own names, ECSO said no to opening one, having a sub-bank account with ESS will not allow this conference to take more money from the ESS

Viran: this should have been thought about beforehand, ESSCO doesn’t want to have to deal with the financial problems, you can go to a bank and open this account under the conference and not your names

Kim: ESSCO couldn’t just do this favour for us, because then everyone would ask this of them. Our own account, ESS sub account, a credit union would be pretty sketchy

Charbel: after running through all of the options, would be to have a sub account where they can’t touch any of the ESS money

Travis: if you weren’t chairs on ESS, would you have still come to get the money from the ESS?

Kim:yes based on previous funding opportunities

Kivanc: There is a way to do this that clubs use, have you looked into that?

Charbel: if the account is with ESS, having multiple people to sign on it, they are able to \_\_

Devon: the teams run every year, so this might not be comparable

Viran: there is a high possibility that the people on ESS currently won’t be here in april

Kim: opening up a sub account in individual accounts seems more costly because there are monthly account costs, trying to pay off the loan for april so that not relying on the ESS for May and June. the next ESS execs will still have to follow with these decisions

Viran: it's going to take longer to do the financial things because Charble and MOnique also have to sign off on things before. The financial things might need to be sent to the SFUO for the audits, including the next VP finance who will have to deal with all of the transactions over the summer

Kim: speed at which the transactions is not an issue, things done over the next few months will be well planned. The sub account was done with another school at last summer’s AGM

Dean: we’d be unloading a lot of work on the new ESS execs come April, doing the audits comes with the job

Viran: it sounds like you are giving work to other people

Devon: are you giving them a plausible option in which the can run this conference

Viran: why can’t you open an account?

Kim: the fees are very high, and they have transaction min or max amounts, which means paying more fees for the account

Monique: the point of the audit, goes through the sfuo, could potentially affect the levis which we get. Would have to speak to the sfuo to find out how to handle the transactions

Kim: taking $5000 of the ESS money, everyone has to be okay with Kim putting this in a private account, with no one except Kim paying it off. If it is in the name of ESS, gives it security in the ESS account.

Viran: it is more sketchy if if is in your name? But we have already voted to give you the cash, it is not dependent on where the money is stored

Tony left 7:03

Quinn: what was the contingency for this year?

Kim: around $8000

Viran: We can’t just put the money from the contingency to anything.

Heemel: Call to Question

**Votes**; 6 Yes (Viran, Kivanc, Travis), 2 against, 7 abstentions (Heemel) **Motion Fails**

**Motion**: Viran: ESSCO AGM opens a sub bank account under ESS.

**Second**: Heemel

**Votes**: 6 for, 5 against (Travis, Viran), 4 abstentions(Kim, Marianne) **Motion Fails**

Internal

* Uoec planning is great, tell people sign up, it will be fun and there is free food

Dean leaved 7:15

**Motion**; Marianne: Add a budget line in Conferences called “ESSCO AGM 2019 Loan” for the $5000 loan that is being given to ESSCO AGM 2019 committee.

**Second**: Devon

**Discussion**:

**Votes**: 10 yes, 2 abstentions (Marianne, Kim)

Charbel: … yuh i’m dun.

**Motion**: Heemel: Table the rest of the agenda until the next BoD meeting (Except for adjournment).

**Second**: Kivanc

**Amendment**: Have the execs/subassociation/BoA write up a report on how they’re doing with their mandates and it be presented at the next meeting of the board next semester. Also, to strike the updates from the current meeting that we have not yet done.

**Discussion**:

Viran: When is the next meeting?

Heemel: I want to see a presentation. Just talk about whether or not you doing your mandate.

**Votes:** 11 for, 2 against (Travis, Devon), 1 abstention

* 1. **Sub-association**
  2. **BoA**

1. **Rep Elections**
2. **Varia**

Viran: It is my last council meeting ever guys.

Kim: Do we need to get a new 4th year mech?

Megan: Yes

**Motion**: Charbel: Adjourn the meeting

**Second**: Viran

**Secret Ballot**: 11 for, 2 against, 1 spoiled. **Motion Passes**

Spoiled ballot: We love you Viran. Long live Viran.

**Votes**:

1. **Adjournment**