

APPENDIX D
QUEEN'S PROJECT ON INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT - (QPID)
CONSTITUTION

Article I: Name and Objectives

1. There shall exist a non-profit organization called Queens Project on International Development (hereafter referred to as "QPID").
2. The objectives of QPID are as follows:
 - a. to assist developing communities with fundamental engineering projects in order to meet local needs.
 - b. to inform Queen's students about the issues of Third world development, including the political and social situation, and the uses and requirements of appropriate technology.
 - c. to allow for groups and individuals of all political belief to present their views at Speaker Nights. It is expected that through the presentations which will detail various sides of the related issues, QPID members will make their own decisions regarding ethical and political questions.
 - d. QPID as an organization will remain apolitical, but will allow for groups and individuals of all political thought to present their views at meetings. QPID members are encouraged to express their individual view, but they may not claim to represent the view of QPID.
 - e. All QPID activities, especially those overseas will be open to all Queen's students, with financial arrangements made through corporate involvement so that all students, regardless of financial status, may participate fully.

Article II: Membership

1. Membership is limited to those who support the Objectives of QPID, and are willing to support the activities of the group.
2. The Director of QPID shall be a member of EngSoc. and shall be elected by a committee consisting of:
 - a. The members of the QPID Advisory Board;
 - b. The previous years executive, with the exception of any individual who is applying for the position; and
 - c. The External Services Coordinator.
3. The Director shall define responsibilities within the Executive.
4. The Executive shall consist of the Director, Treasurer, Secretary, Director of Fundraising, Director of Corporate Involvement, Director of Public Relations, Director of Education, Director of International Projects, and the Director of Research.

5. The Executive shall be chosen by secret ballot cast by all QPID members, and the decision of the Director. The vote shall represent two-thirds (2/3) of the decision, and the decision of the Director the final one third (1/3). The vote shall take place in March of each year.
6. All Members in good standing are eligible for election to any position of the executive, except as restricted above.
7. The Executive shall retain the right to delegate their responsibilities to QPID members.
8. Members are expected to fulfill their commitments to QPID including attendance at all general meetings. A member may be required to resign if a motion to that effect is passed by three quarters (3/4) of the QPID members at a general meeting.
9. Actions taken by a QPID member without the consent of the Director shall be the responsibility of that member alone.

Article III: The QPID Advisory Council

1. The direction of the activities and policies of QPID shall be guided by the QPID Advisory Council.
2. The purpose of this Council is to allow for the exchange of experience, wisdom and general advice between the Council and the Director. All major executive policies shall be discussed with the Council Members.
3. Contact shall be made on an individual basis by the Director in writing and, where possible, in person on a regular basis.
4. Meetings of the Council shall be held once in the Fall and once in the Spring as advised by the Director.
5. The QPID Advisory Council shall be chaired by the Director, and shall consist of:
 - a. individuals representing related offices within Queen's including engineering disciplines, the Office of International Programs, The International Centre, and The Faculty of Applied Science;
 - b. members of Industry;
 - c. former QPID Directors;
 - d. The External Services Coordinator; and
 - e. other members at the Director's discretion.
6. The Council shall consist of a maximum of ten people, not including former Directors.
7. Members of Council may be appointed by the Director in consultation with the Executive and the present Advisory Council.
8. Members of the Council may resign by written notice to the Director

9. Members may be relieved of their duties by a majority vote by the Executive.

Article IV: Finances

1. QPID shall maintain its own finances, which shall be separate from other EngSoc finances.
2. QPID shall be financed by primarily corporate sponsorship, with additional funds raised from Alumni, the Canadian Government, Queen's faculties and departments, private donations, and non-governmental organizations.
3. The Budget shall be approved by the EngSoc council.
4. A summary of the previous summer's activities, and a financial report shall be presented to the EngSoc Council near the end of each Fall term.

Article V: The Project Overseas

1. Approximately 15 QPID members will travel each summer to a developing country in Latin America to assist members of a community in fundamental, grass-roots level engineering related projects. The exact number depending on funding and interest.
2. QPID will work alongside members of the community, governmental departments and Universities in the Host Country at the invitation of these parties.
3. The QPID members that take part in the overseas project shall be selected by a committee consisting of:
 - a. the Director;
 - b. a representative from CUSO, or another non-governmental organization; and
 - c. a representative from The International Centre.

Article VI: Meetings

1. General meetings shall be held on the same day of the first and third weeks of every month as selected by the Director.
2. General meetings may be called by the Director or by two-thirds majority of the Members.
3. Decisions regarding QPID policy shall be made by a two-third majority vote by the Executive.
4. Decisions regarding day-to-day operations are passed by a majority vote by all QPID members at a general meeting.
5. The Executive shall determine by a majority vote whether or not a decision regards policy or day-to-day operations.
6. The Director shall be entitled to a second and deciding vote in the case of a tie.
7. Voting shall take place by a show of hands, unless a secret ballot is requested by a majority of voting members.

8. All decisions shall not be implemented without the consent of the Director. i.e. the Director shall retain the right to veto all decisions supported by a vote by either the Executive or a general forum.