**Engineering Society Council Minutes**

Engineering Society of Queen’s University

Thursday, October 29th, 2015

Dunning Hall, Room 27

Speaker: Tyler Snook

  Secretary: Lianne Zelsman

*Council begins: 6:34 pm*

## I. Attendance

Julianna Jeans: We are going to do attendance first today.

*Attendance taken: 6:34 pm*

## II. Adoption of the Agenda:

### Motion 1

Whereas: It’s the spookiest time of the year!

& Whereas: We should start our hauntings;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council approve the agenda of the Council meeting of Thursday, October 29th, 2015 as seen on the Engineering Society website.

Moved by: Julianna Jeans

Seconded by: Tyler Snook

Opening (Julianna Jeans): I am so happy to see everyone dressed up! We do not have any changes to the agenda.

**Motion Passes: 6:36 pm (30, 0, 0,)**

## III. Adoption of the Minutes:

### Motion 2

Whereas: Lots happened last council;

& Whereas: Lianne kept track of all of it;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council approve the minutes of the Council meeting of Thursday, October 15st 2015 as seen on the Engineering Society website.

Moved by: Lianne Zelsman

Seconded by: Julianna Jeans

Opening (Lianne Zelsman): Let me know if you want anything changed.

**Motion Passes: 6:37 pm (30, 0, 0)**

*Council breaks for pizza: 6:37 pm*

*Council resumes: 6:40 pm*

## IV. Speaker’s Business

Tyler Snook: Hi I am your deputy speaker for the night. I am looking forward to doing this today. Make sure that when you speak, you stand up and state your name and position. Please refrain from using acronyms.

## V. Presentations

### i. Proposed Term Change

Andrew Crawford: Welcome. Something that myself, Julie Tseng and Alex Wood have been talking about has been ways in which we can improve the transition process from the old Executive to the new Executive. The way it works now is that the transition starts right after the elections for the Executive and the hiring of the new Directors. This is technically an unofficial transition before everyone is actually ratified at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). Right after the Executive elections and the hiring of the new Directors, everyone has to start their own hiring. This gets very busy. There are some issues with how the current timeline works. When everyone officially steps into their roll in mid-March, there is about one or two months where you are operating either without a plan or with your predecessor’s plan. Another issue is that there is a very large workload at this time, with the incoming team trying to learn their roles, run their responsibilities and hire the necessary people under them. They also need to keep up with courses as this is one of the busiest periods of school academically. There are also many financial deadlines, though mainly for the Operations portfolio. If any Human Resources (HR) issues come up during that time, you do not really know your role well enough yet to be able to deal with them. Quite frankly, there is just a lot you need to know how to handle. The transition period could be longer, but it is currently shorter than ideal. The Executive have one month to learn their role and the Directors have one and a half. Here are some of the solutions we have discussed. One would be to move the Executive Director (ED) term to the end of the academic year. Another possibility would be to move the term of all of council to the end of the academic year. We also need to improve the process we have for transitioning. Another solution would be to change the hiring timelines so that a massive amount of hiring does not happen all at once, right away. We could also try to move the fiscal year. The way this will work is that it will not apply this year, as everyone came in with the expectation that they will be done at AGM. Right now there is a planned discussion period. We will bring forward By-Law and Policy changes in future councils.

## VI. Discussion Period: Term Change

*A 15 minute discussion period begins*

Matt Whittle: You mentioned changes to Policy and By­-Law. Do you have any idea what those will entail?

Andrew Crawford: Any changes will be sent out in advance. I currently have the basic structure for the changes planned out. The major things are changes to the dates, as By-Law mentions the Executive term in a few places. We want to focus on the ED term right now, as any change to the council term would be a much larger process.

Alex Wood: We have been talking about this for a while. The main focus is looking into the ED transition timeline. Every other faculty society transitions at the end of April. By transition we mean that you are the main point of contact and the main person who is in the role. You then essentially have to run everything the old Director did and just hope that they care enough to stick around to help. This new idea would help the old Director have more time to ease off of their responsibilities and slowly transition in the new Director. This is especially important for hiring, as the amount of hiring in March is crazy. All of the new positions are trying to hire their lower committees. I ran into an issue this past year where I had to deal with some pretty high level disciplinary issues in respect to HR, which should have been the responsibility of my upper, but since it was very close to the beginning of my transition, it was left to me to deal with.

Eleanor McAuley: You said that you want to transition ED before we transition council. This works great from an ED perspective, but I would like to see these changes more lumped together so that the whole society transitions together.

Andrew Crawford: The changes to Policy and By-Law for ED will come first and the changes for council will come later. Making changes to all of council takes much longer as it affects many things. In my brief skim through of Policy and By-Law I have noticed that they are not connected, so it is possible to change them separately. The changes for ED need to come now, so that the people hired in second semester will be given that expectation that they will work until April. It is important that they are aware of this before they are hired. The idea is to get all of these changes done before the new council members come into play.

Julie Tseng: How the Alma Mater Society (AMS) does it right now is that the council members stay the same from September to the end of the academic year. There is a session of new assembly that meets before the end of the year where they elect their new speaker.

Stephen Martin: I am curious about how the hiring process will work. How will the incoming team be involved in the interview process? For things like the Presidential role, you inherit people from the previous President. These people might not have the same views as the new incoming President. What are your plans to combat this?

Andrew Crawford: The incoming team will still hire all of the people that they will need to hire. The incoming Executive will hire the incoming Directors, and the incoming Directors will hire the incoming managers. There may be some situations where the outgoing person ends up hiring a new team. One example would be for conferences, as we are looking to have the conference team hired shortly after the conference happens. We treat conferences more as an external group as they do not necessarily report directly to the Director of Conferences, more so they just work together.

Alex Wood: Anything to do with the following year will be dealt with by the incoming team. Anything to do with the outgoing year will be dealt with by the outgoing team. It will be the job of the outgoing team to give the incoming team the best support as possible.

Stephen Martin: Will there be difficulties with people who were on the Director team previously who are looking at getting another position that begins around the same time? There would be a month or two of overlap where they have to operate two positions. This would be very stressful. Has there been any thought put into this?

Alex Wood: We have thought long and hard on this. The thing is, once people get involved they normally do not stop getting involved. Although it is not officially down on paper, the idea would be that a lot of the responsibilities would be placed on the incoming person, although the direct point of contact would be the outgoing person. The transition can be fluid, so that many of the tasks could be given to the incoming people, allowing the outgoing people to slowly unload their responsibilities so that they can start with their new position.

Emily Townshend: Because Senate runs from September to September, if we changed council it would actually match with how senate runs, which would be cool.

Callen Hageman: I really like this idea. Aligning our transition process with the other faculties would be great. I really like this idea of flexibility for if the old person wants to stay on a little longer or if the new person wants to start right away.

Andrew Crawford: To address Stephen Martin’s point, there are also many people moving into ED roles. One problem we ran into this year was that many managers were moving into ED roles. Manager roles run until April, so they had about two months where they had overlap. That being said, we think that this change would be good due to the nature of the academic year. It would give people a longer time to transition and learn before having to start implementing their plans. Remember we also need to improve the transitioning process and fix the hiring timelines. You can expect a more detailed report on this soon. I will get you all the Policy and By-Law changes at least a week in advance so that there is plenty of time to read through everything. As this entire process will take multiple councils, there will still be about a month before everything is finalized.

## VII. New Business: Motions 3-7

### Motion 3

Whereas: The Engineering Society’s officers need a place to work;

& Whereas: There is a room in Clark that’s filled with files that are rarely referenced;

& Whereas: It would make a great office for the Executive, Directors, and others;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council approve the expenses for the 2015-2016 year as seen in APPENDIX “CLARK HALL OF HORRORS”.

Moved by: Andrew Crawford

Seconded by: Alex Wood

Opening (Andrew Crawford): This is another idea that has been going through my head since summer. It is coming a bit later than I hoped. Right now there is a room right off of Clark Hall Lounge where all of the financial records are kept. It is about an office sized space, similar to the office in the lounge in the Integrated Learning Centre (ILC). Right now it is a dead space, with not much active use. Since we are so short on space right now, we want to use all that we can get. We plan to get the financial documents stored by a third party company, Iron Mountain, and use the space for the Directors and Exec. It will be the only space that will be available 24/7 as a work space. If anyone has any questions about the numbers, I would be more than happy to answer.

Tristan Brunet: Any idea how long it will take for this whole process to be completed?

Andrew Crawford: It will depend on how long it takes to get internet connection in the office and how long ordering the desks and computers takes. I see it being done within two months.

Callen Hageman: How many computers will you be ordering?

Andrew Crawford: We are planning on having two, one of which might have two monitors. We are looking into getting three chairs so that multiple people can meet at the same time. Someone raised the concern that this might affect the other services currently using Clark Hall. To be honest, it should not really have much of an effect. I have already discussed this briefly with the Clark Hall staff. They seem fine with it. I am sure that they, along with Golden Words staff, will be respectful when using the lounge if someone is working in the office.

Stephen Martin: You mentioned earlier that you had a timeframe of two months. Just know that it could take much longer, especially when you consider the involvement of Physical Plant Services (PPS).

Andrew Crawford: I am aware of the PPS issue. They are the reason we had to clean Clark by hand in the first place.

Alex Wood: Clark Hall used to be the center of engineering operations before the ILC was built. By implementing an office into the space, it will help to return the hall to a more professional atmosphere. The office will be more than just a work space, it will help restore professionalism to Clark hall, and hopefully encourage people to keep it clean.

**Motion Passes: 7:21 pm (30, 0, 0)**

Let it be noted that Stephan Dobri abstained.

### Motion 4

Whereas: Our policies should align with our practices;

&Whereas: The ChemEngChem Club Presidents would like to amalgamate their two Council Reps;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council approve the first reading of the changes to By-Law Sections 1 and 2, as seen in APPENDIX “CHEM-ENG-CHEM-COMBO”.

Moved by: Alex Wood

Seconded by: Julianna Jeans

Opening (Alex Wood): They work together on everything, so it only makes sense. There are very few places in By-Law that actually mention the ChemEngChem representatives, so not much would need to be changed.

Avery Cole: I would just like to mention that this was brought up a few years ago and did not pass.

Lucas Peterson: In terms of our constituencies, although we have not brought this up with the entire student body, we have discussed it with the members of our discipline club. They all seem on board.

Julianna Jeans: Note that although this would bring us down by one member, it does not affect our ability to reach quorum as we round down. We would still only need eighteen for quorum.

Stephen Martin: I was there in first year when they talked about this, although I do not remember it much other than that it did not happen. I do not think they brought it up in the correct way, which is why it probably was not passed. To me it makes a lot of sense. Honestly it is an unfair representation, as you are giving extra votes to a group of people who would always be voting in the same direction. Also an additional note, in By-Law it says “chemical” and “engineering chemistry”. I think the language may need to be changed so that it says “chemical engineering”.

Alex Wood: I would like to make an amendment to my motion. I would like to amend that change to say “chemical engineering”.

Jacqueline Craig: Just a note, Chem Eng Chem could have been working together in the BED Fund, which gives them more buying power. But if they join, Chem Eng might buy something that only benefits them and not Eng Chem, or vice versa. Keep that in mind. Also in terms of voting differently, one of them is an engineering science while the other is not. This could make a difference during decision making.

Emily Townshend: To provide a more historical context, the original amalgamation proposed was slightly less cordial. But they now do more things together so it makes sense, much like Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Stephen Martin: A question for the two presidents: for the discipline elections, will they be electing a single Chem Eng Chem rep? Or will they try to do more of a bounce around thing with two?

Lucas Peterson: There will be one representative for council. But we will still require separate year reps and presidents.

**Motion Passes: 7:30pm (30, 0, 0)**

Let it be noted that Stephan Dobri abstained.

*Emily Townshend leaves and proxies vote to Jacqueline Craig.*

### Motion 5:

Whereas: Our election rules need to be updated to match our dates for this year;

& Whereas: Here are the updated rules;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council approve the 2016 General Elections rules, as seen on the Engineering Society website, and in APPENDIX “EXTRATERRESTRIAL ELECTIONS”.

Moved by: Jamil Pirani

Seconded by: Julianna Jeans

Opening (Jamil Pirani): As policy stands we will be having this year’s elections last year, so this change will change the dates to January 2016—instead January 2015—so that they actually make sense. It is just a clerical change. We also added the Director of Internal Affairs First Year Project Coordinator (FYPCO) to the elections team. One thing to amend is that the West and Main campus Residence Societies have merged into just ResSoc. So now instead of having to go to them separately, you can just go to them in Victoria Hall to get posters put up on both campuses.

Sam Grant: Is this change something that needs to be done every single year? Or could we just change the wording so that it does not need to be changed every year? For example: “The Monday of this week”.

Jamil Pirani: As it stands, we would need to change it every year. In the future we can look into getting set dates from year to year.

Avery Cole: This is not just changing the policy, it is approving the rules for elections this year.

Alexander Cavaliere: There is value in approving rules each year so we do not become complacent and get stuck doing the same things each year. Having to approve the rules each year will ensure that things get conducted fairly each year.

Eleanor McAuley: I know in the past there was one issue with the rules surrounding Facebook. Are there any thoughts about how candidates can go about marketing on Facebook to ensure that the process is fairer?

Julianna Jeans: Can you be more specific?

Eleanor McAuley: Last year we had a few minor complaints about how some candidates had access to some Facebook groups whereas others did not. For example, some specific groups in EngSoc are private. We found this hard to control. I was just wondering if you guys have taken this into consideration.

Julianna Jeans: I was on elections team last year and I was not aware of this issue.

Jamil Pirani: It is a really tricky thing as you cannot really control those very private Facebook groups. It is the same way that you cannot really control conversations among friends. We do not really have the ability to control this.

Andrew Crawford: Here is an example. If you are a FREC, you have access to posts in the FREC group. If you were not a FREC, you would not have access to either view or post in the group.

Alexander Cavaliere: Would it be possible for the elections team to have a list of approved Facebook groups, so that posts can be approved in specific groups?

Jamil Pirani: Yes that is possible, we will look into it.

Avery Cole: The rules do say that online advertising must be approved by the elections team and that you cannot use your power as an admin of a group to invite people to like your page. I was also wondering about one of the changes you made. It says “non-partisan” in one of the lines, but I cannot tell what you changed about the line.

Jamil Pirani: We added a hyphen in between the words “non” and “partisan” as “non” by itself is not a word.

Alex Wood: We are completely off topic, and I would ask that these questions be kept until later.

Avery Cole: This motion is to debate the election rules, so we are on topic.

Eleanor McAuley: I just wanted some people to be aware of the issue. I do not think that this is a problem that can be fully controlled, and that acknowledging that is a suitable response to the problem.

Avery Cole: The fact that it does say that online advertising must be approved by the elections team does give them the power to remove things.

Jamil Pirani: I think that specifically applies to people such as the Chief Returning Officer being an admin to specific Facebook pages in order to monitor for inappropriate content. Also please come out and vote.

**Motion Passes: 7:39 pm (30, 0, 0)**

Let it be noted that Stephan Dobri abstained.

### Motion 6:

Whereas: Elections are important;

& Whereas: This will allow us to ensure that elections occur according to our policies;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council approve the first reading of the changes to By-Law 3: Engineering Society Elections as seen in APPENDIX “PARANORMAL ACTIVITIES”.

Moved by: Julianna Jeans

Seconded by: Avery Cole

Opening (Julianna Jeans): This By-Law change is just for one specific line. It used to read that we could not elect Year Exec later than the last week in February, but since AGM is not happening until March 12th, it does not make sense to have to finish elections at least two weeks before that date. It would be bested if our policies aligned with our practices.

**Motion Passes: 7:41 pm (30, 0, 0)**

Let it be noted that Stephan Dobri abstained.

### Motion 7:

Whereas: We love communicating with other ghostly societies;

& Whereas: We need more ghouls to sit on this committee;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council elect Tyler Snook, Callen Hageman and Matt Whittle to sit on the External Communications Committee.

Moved by: Julie Tseng

Seconded by: Loralyn Blondin

Opening (Julie Tseng): So when I wanted to schedule an External Communications Committee meeting we realized that we did not run elections for the second to fourth year members elected to this committee. This is what we are about to run right now. You must be a voting member of council and a second to fourth year to run. We are a part of an external alignment group called the Canadian Federation of Engineering Students (CFES), with which we have had a shaky relationship in the past. We have this committee to oversee these kinds of relationships. We will meet at least once per semester, most importantly after the CFES Congress. This will help us gauge info on what students want. There is a possibility for additional meetings, but it is generally a low time commitment.

Avery Cole: In policy it says that the three members should have already been voted on.

Julie Tseng: I think this motion was passed along with the External Communications Committee motion last year. It just never ended up happening before the end of the year, so it is going to happen now.

Matt Whittle: Is there a formal chair of this committee? Can we get a summary of all the other people on this committee?

Julie Tseng: I am guessing the chair is elected internally after the entire group has formed.

Julianna Jeans: The chair is one of the three people who will be elected now.

Julie Tseng: The composition of the committee is the President, the Director of Conferences and the Director of Professional Development, as external development can include professional development.

Stephen Martin: You said one of the people elected right now must become the chair. Is that correct?

Julie Tseng: Yes.

*The nomination period begins.*

Stephen Martin is nominated, he respectfully declines.

Kevin Corey: I nominate Callen Hageman

Tristan Brunet: I second that.

Callen Hageman: I accept. I also nominate Rigers Rukaj.

Alexader Cavaliere: I second that.

Rigers Rukaj: I respectfully decline.

Alex Wood: I nominate Meara Hampton.

Alexander Rey: I second that

Meara Hampton: I accept.

Julianna Jeans: I nominate Brandon Tseung.

Tristan Brunet: I second that.

Brandon Tseung: I respectfully decline.

Stephan Dobri: I nominate Alexander Cavaliere.

Kevin Corey: I second that.

Alexander Cavaliere: I accept.

Andrew Crawford: I nominate Eleanor McAuley.

Alexander Cavaliere: I second that.

Eleanor McAuley: I respectfully decline.

Julianna Jeans: I nominate Sarah Taylor.

Galvin Niu: I second that.

Sarah Taylor: I accept.

Tyler Snook: I nominate Matt Whittle.

Tristan Brunet: I second that.

Matt Whittle: I accept.

*Meara Hampton withdraws from the race.*

Alex Wood: I nominate Taylor Sweet.

Galvin Niu: I second that.

Taylor Sweet: I respectfully decline.

Julianna Jeans: I nominate Tyler Snook.

Tristan Brunet: I second that.

Tyler Snook: I accept.

*Ryan Cattrysse returns and resumes role as speaker.*

*Nomination period closes. The candidates are each given thirty seconds to introduce themselves. They are then asked one question.*

Callen Hageman: Hey everyone, I believe that I have the ability to externally communicate with the committee and with other committees. I wanted to be on this last year. I am on the AMS External Committee and my experience with that will help.

Sarah Taylor: I am here because I thought they needed a girl up here. Vote for me.

Alexander Cavaliere: As the chair of the First Year Committee, I have some experience with how conferences are run and it would be interesting to see how we can engage with external conferences.

Matt Whittle: I was on this committee last year and I learned a lot. It is really cool because last year we focused a lot on the CFES issue. I think the External Relations Committee is the best way to decide on cool things that we should bring to Queen’s.

Tyler Snook: I was also on this committee last year and it is cool to see how the committee grows and develops into a more tangible committee. I want to see what we can do to help the committee and society grow.

Andrew Crawford: So there are many ways in which we can interact with external bodies more than just through conferences. For example: engineering rugby. What value do you see in not just formally engaging with other schools, but also engaging with them at a more casual level?

Tyler Snook: You can draw parallels to going with a client to a sporting game or conducting a business meeting on a golf course. That is where all of the real connections are made as it is a more comfortable environment.

Matt Whittle: From a communications team perspective, we have to look at how the society is perceived outside of council and the society. I think it is important to make sure that we do things in order to be put in a positive light.

Alexander Cavaliere: It is the informal settings that can be very important. As long as there is a good framework and it respects the procedures between both bodies, it will be successful. This committee will be good at setting this framework.

Sarah Taylor: I agree.

Callen Hageman: I formally worked with some other bodies this year. For example, I physically tackled members from other schools during engineering rugby. I think the committee can really help advance our design teams and advance the society as a whole.

*The council votes. Tyler Snook, Callen Hageman, and Matt Whittle are elected.*

**Motion Passes: 8:00 pm (27, 0, 3)**

Let it be noted that Stephan Dobri, Tyler Snook, Matt Whittle and Callen Hageman abstained.

*Emily Townshend returns and reclaims her vote from Jacqueline Craig.*

*Rigers Rukaj returns and reclaims his vote from Jerry Haron.*

## VIII. Break

*Council breaks: 8:01 pm*

*Council resumes: 8:06 pm*

## IX. Executive Reports

### i) President

Julie Tseng: Everything is mostly in my report. Some particularly interesting things I would like to mention are as follows. Homecoming happened, I hope everyone had a good time. I attended the Dean’s reception where student groups go to showcase what they are doing to alumni who come back. Many of the alumni who returned are the ones that donated some of the money that went towards building the ILC. The ILC is only ten years old! All of my teams are currently hired, mainly the Orientation Chair, Chief FREC and Sci-Formal Committee. FREC Committee hiring is happening. The applications are up, as well as the applications for Sponsorship and Logistics Coordinator. I want to welcome all the FYPCOs to council. Thank you for coming. I would love all of the FYPCOs to lead the Engineering Hymn today.

*The Engineering Hymn is sung.*

### ii) VP (Student Affairs)

Alex Wood: Everything is mostly in my report. One thing to add is that yesterday I went to the Dean’s Greater Toronto Area Reception, an event she holds to update alumni in the area on what is going on at Queen’s. Julie Tseng and I went. It was lovely, we met some cool alumni. The grease pole time display is ready, but we are having trouble putting it up as they cannot drill into the structural pillar where we want to place it. We are currently looking for a place in the lounge for the sword case. Once the cubbies are moved to Clark, the case will probably be placed in their old spot.

### iii) VP (Operations)

Andrew Crawford: Everything is in my report. One thing to update you guys on is my meeting with our financial advisor. The EngSoc currently has short term and long term investments of approximately $180,000 total. Relative to what we have in our bank accounts, this is very small. The original idea was to keep this money secure, not to make money. Now I am looking into changing our policies regarding how we approach our investments and looking into how we can make money off of them.

## X. Director Reports

### i) Academics

Jacqueline Craig: It is all in my report. I had a meeting with the Associate Dean Lynann Clapham. We talked about operations and how they relate to the faculty, class sizes and sustainability. The EngLinks 111 workshop is coming up. The academic caucus has not announced its new commissioner yet. My FYPCOs are here, they are great. The Better Education Donation (BED) Fund is having a campaign right now. We are looking for something to spend money on that goes to all engineers. Put in your ideas.

### ii) Communications

Laura Penstone: It is all in my report. The biggest thing is that we are working on some social media campaigns. One thing coming up is that we will be having “discipline Mondays” as it is important for first years to start thinking of the discipline they want to go in to. I want to start introducing the disciplines they can go into. I am going to reach out to the discipline clubs and representatives to use them as a resource. Throw Back Thursdays are back in town. We are looking into doing wellness Wednesdays.

### iii) Conferences

Loralyn Blondin: Conferences made an appearance at the Dean’s reception. It went well. This past week I met my FYPCO, he is really cool. We have started working on planning the Conference Chair Roundtables. The Queen’s Engineering Competition is happening Nov 14th and 15th so get hyped.

### iv) Design

Stephan Dobri: Good evening. Quite frankly, everything I want to say is in my report.

### v) Events

Jerry Haron: Hi everyone, I am Jerry. Everything is in my report. The One Match- Swab Event happened. Thank you to everyone who came out, you might save a life. The EngVents Boat Cruise is happening. You might remember the Buddy Boat Cruise…this one is better. Get on a boat, get around town. It is going to be cool. EngVents paintball is coming up, it will be very fun. Tickets for the Boat Cruise are being sold tomorrow and next week for $10.

### vi) Finance

Jane Ferguson: Read my report.

### vii) First Year

Evan Dressel: Basically, the FYPCOs were hired, they are awesome. All of the Directors are meeting with them. First Year Conference is rolling, the committee is awesome. Look at my report.

### viii) Human Resources

Alexander Rey: Not much has happened. I have gotten some great feedback on Survey Gizmo. Many people have asked for logins, but do not ask me until you actually need one. We can only give out ten at a time. Wait until you actually need a login to email me for one. Staff Chats are going out soon.

### ix) Information Technology

*No report given*

### x) Internal Affairs

Julianna Jeans: My FYPCO is here, she is awesome. We are very excited to be working together. Jamil Pirani, the Chief Returning Officer, hired both of the Deputy Returning Officers. They are both really excited about elections.

### xi) Professional Development

James Gibbard-McCall: Nice costumes guys. The Professional Engineers Ontario workshop is happening next week. It is about getting a P. Eng and maintaining it, which is great for fourth years. The cover letter workshop is coming up. I have not met my FYPCO yet. Everything else is in my report

### xii) Services

Stewart Jensen: Congratulations to Courtney McGrath, the new Science Quest director. Anyone infirst, second or third year, we are hiring Assistant Directors. It is a really awesome experience. If you have any questions talk to me, Ryan Cattrysse or Andrew Crawford. A big shout out to the Clark team, who ran an awesome homecoming patio. The Tea Room just ran Teas for Trees, which went great. Campus Equipment Outfitters (CEO) had a great sale.

## XI. Question Period

Alex Wood: I missed some things in my report.

Stephan Dobri: Quite frankly, I would like to ask: can you tell us what you missed?

Alex Wood: This is my lovely FYPCO Emma, who will be working with me on the Engenda. I met with Rose from the AMS Mental Health Resources Centre. Anyone who is interested in getting mental health training for their group, they will run a session for you. It is an hour and it is free. I have had the training, it is excellent. With the Chem Eng Chem changes, we need to look at how EngSoc and discipline clubs interact. We will be implementing the discipline club caucus.

Evan Dressel: Can Julie Tseng please finish her report?

Julie Tseng: Some of you know I was director back in second year and it was the first time the Director of Internal Affairs had a FYPCO. So I am very happy that I again have a FYPCO. Mary is awesome.

Siobhan Powell: In regard to our meeting about our investments, has there been any talk of investments in fossil fuel technology? I know some other universities have talked about it.

Andrew Crawford: The majority of our investments are held in mortgages, so there has not been any talk of fossil fuels. Basically the meeting was to discuss how we use our investments and their effectiveness. If our constituents feel it necessary, I can bring it up.

Tyler Snook: Andrew Crawford, what is your opinion on fossil fuels?

Andrew Crawford: With regard to investment in fossil fuels, that is not the best way to invest ethically or to use investments properly. When it comes to environmental issues, it has been shown that investments are not effective in impacting change. In terms of making money, these types of investments are not effective, as you are in a sense reducing the diversity of your portfolio. If you want to have the most impact it is the best idea to be an engaged stakeholder. Put pressure on the companies, because as a shareholder you have a say and a vote. That is the best way to impact change.

Sam Anderson: To follow up on investments, will you be willing to look into incorporating student investments into this? Commerce has a student investment club. This would be an interesting way to get people involved and would be a valuable experience to let students have a say in where the money goes.

Andrew Crawford: Yes I am very open to that idea. Siobhan Powell asked this a few councils back. Many people in engineering are interested in finance and business. However to comment on the way our investments current stand, that is not in the mandate of how they stand. I am looking into expanding the role of our investments and that is something I would like to consider.

## XII. Faculty Board Report

Matt Whittle: We have not met since last council.

## XIII. Alma Mater Society Report

Callen Hageman: We had an AMS meeting last week. There was a massive discussion with Principle Woolf and Vice-Principle Harrison. It was interesting to have them engage with the AMS. We discussed the non-academic discipline system and the new student code of conduct. If you have any opinions on the code of conduct or non-academic discipline policy, let us know. We ratified many clubs. The Queen’s Space Engineering Team fee increased.

## XIV. Senate Report

Emily Townshend: The agenda is public for the Senate meeting next week, let us know if you have any comments on it.

## XV. Engineering Review Board Report

Alex Doig: We looked at scheduling interview hiring things with the Director of Human Resources.

## XVI. Advisory Board Report

Bailey Piggot: The board met last week. We met with the iCons, CEO, Frosh Week and Sci-Formal. We had a discussion on risk management, and struck a subcommittee to look further into it. We are hiring a secretary for the board. You get paid and there is food. Keep an eye out for that.

## XVII. Club Reports (Sunny Group)

### i) Apple

Siobhan Powell: At homecoming we had a small breakfast reception with alumni. It was really nice to talk to the alumni. We have been working on our academic feedback forms and have had success using both paper and electronic forms.

### ii) ChemEngChem

Lucas Peterson: We have been organizing the wine and cheese and planning our year night out. We recently got about $8,000 in funding to go towards the Energy Bowl, which we will send eight students to in the spring. We will let you know how that goes.

### iii) Civil

Alexander Rey: We are planning a wine and cheese for Sci-Formal. We are also doing evaluations on our professors and teaching assistants, which the department will read to them. Our innertube waterpolo team is undefeated.

### iv) Geological

Alexander Cavaliere: We recently hosted a bake sale to prep for some repairs. We are voting on some new designs. We are busy planning a wine and cheese for Sci-Formal. We are preparing for our Buick sporting event.

## XVIII. Year Reports

### v) Sci’16

Stephen Martin: We are in the process of getting year book pictures. We are doing a “picture of the week” thing. The best picture is voted on by people on Year Exec and the winner gets a free Sci’16 stein. Sci-Formal is very much well underway, it is coming up in a week. Encourage everyone you know to go see Grant Hall on Saturday, it is really neat. The volunteer list is already full. We have been doing some fundraising and brainstorming for our Thank You Gift, as well as coming up with ideas to start engaging our year.

### vi) Sci’17

Nichola Trihn: We had our night at Clark, it was a success. We had trivia. We will have another one at the end of semester as a farewell for the students going on an exchange or leaving for an internship. We will be helping out with Sci-Formal. We are also looking into doing another Super Semi and will be reaching out to Sci’18 and Sci’19 soon.

### vii) Sci’18

Chloë Harkness: We ran a successful Clark night. There was karaoke. We are brainstorming ideas for new merchandise.

### viii) Sci’19

Paige Leedale: Our meetings have been going well. We have started looking into making a website and brainstorming ideas for merchandise.

## XIX. Statements and Questions by Members

Andrew Crawford: If you are planning on running an event please come talk to me, as there are specific procedures you need to follow in regard to insurance. This is especially important if the event will involve alcohol or sports. There are steps you need to follow as we have signed an agreement with the AMS.

Alex Wood: There has been lots of interest in the concept of investing. One club under engineering is the Queen’s Economic Commodities Association. They run workshops that teach engineers how to invest and look at the economic commodities market. They are really cool, look into them. They have professionals that come in all the time.

Tyler Snook: Thanks to everyone for how well the first part of council ran.

Loralyn Blondin: This weekend is Halloween, so everyone have a safe and spooky Halloween.

Jacqueline Craig: I forgot to mention that in my meeting with Dean Clapham we talked about discipline choice. Keep your ears open for more information, we will be talking a lot about it to the first years. I will make sure all upper years are well informed, so that when talking to first years you can tell them the right info.

### Motion to Close:

Moved by: Julie Tseng

Seconded by: Alex Wood

**Motion Passes: 8:50 pm**