

Minutes for AGM 2020

Attendance: Zaid Kasim (ZK), Jinho Lee (JL), Delaney Benoit (DB), Jay Young (JY), Spencer Lee (SL), Alex Koch-Fitsialos (AKF), Ben Zarichny (BZ)

ZK: Welcome to our AGM, due the extreme circumstances, this won't be formula and the only three voting members will be the current executive, Delaney, Jinho, and I. Zaid will send out formal agenda on Sunday. We will start with the Executive Oath.

SL: Standing before the membership at this Annual General Meeting occurring on March 20th, 2020, I, Spencer Lee, the incoming President pledge to uphold the values, duties and vision of the Engineering Society of Queen's University, along with any other responsibilities as a member of the Executive as outlined in the Constitution, By-laws and Policy Manuals of the Engineering Society of Queen's University.

BZ: Standing before the membership at this Annual General Meeting occurring on March 20th, 2020, I, Ben Zarichny, the incoming Vice-President (Operations) pledge to uphold the values, duties and vision of the Engineering Society of Queen's University, along with any other responsibilities as a member of the Executive as outlined in the Constitution, By-laws and Policy Manuals of the Engineering Society of Queen's University.

AKF: Standing before the membership at this Annual General Meeting occurring on March 20th, 2020, I, Alex Koch-Fitsialos, the incoming Vice-President (Student Affairs) pledge to uphold the values, duties and vision of the Engineering Society of Queen's University, along with any other responsibilities as a member of the Executive as outlined in the Constitution, By-laws and Policy Manuals of the Engineering Society of Queen's University.

ZK: Next we move onto Zaid's Business. What's going to happen is only Delaney, Jinho, and I have the votes. This is also merged with the final council meeting of the year so this will be the last one for this year. I don't have an official agenda yet because were waiting for final reports from directors tomorrow. The agenda will go out to the original council members no later than Sunday at noon, along with minutes and reports.

ZK: Motion to approve the preliminary agenda for this AGM and approve Zaid to send out the actual agenda on Sunday 22nd at noon.

3 votes in favour, motion passes

ZK: Next we will do new business. We need to approve the minutes from last AGM in 2019. They've been sent out to the executive.

3 votes in favour, motion passes

ZK: Motions that the executive has council powers until further notice. This is due to unforeseen circumstances and will last indefinitely until the pandemic is resolved. This gets passed over to the new executive on May 1st.

JY: Friendly amendment to change that motion until regular council is able to resume again. The first regular session of council following this AGM

3 votes in favour, motion passes

ZK: Motion from Jonah Opler. Jonah has prepared pre-conference delegate training along with Ex-Comm-Comm.

DB: This was done with Ex-Comm-Comm

ZK: Motion changes to policy for pre-delegate training

3 votes in favour, motion passes

ZK: Motion changes to by-law for pre-delegate training

3 votes in favour, motion passes

ZK: Motion to ratify a new conference called Q-WASE.

DB: explains Q-WASE

JL: Question: how will you ensure financial sustainability?

DB: conservative budgeting, student fee establishment, sponsorships

ZK: Motion the ratification

2 votes in favour, 1 abstention, motion passes

ZK: Motion policy changes for Q-WASE

2 votes in favour, 1 abstention, motion passes

ZK: Motion by-law changes for Q-WASE

2 votes in favour, 1 abstention, motion passes

ZK: In regard to alumni and faculty members of the advisory board, as well as student elections, we are granting the advisory board nominating committee the power to appoint the new board members without election. This is a step outside of policy and by-laws and has been approved by the executive

ZK: Motion that's Spencer, Alex, and Ben are the new directors ESARCK

JL: explains ESARCK

3 votes in favour, motion passes

ZK: Motion to perform the election of the speaker in the next official sitting of council

3 votes in favour, motion passes

ZK: Ratification of incoming director team 20120-2021. *List names*

3 votes in favour, motion passes

ZK: Motion to approve the incoming executive summer plan. *overview of the summer plan*

JL: If this summer plan changes, please notify students as things change or update

SL: We will be keeping students updated via videos, especially on the COVID-19 situation

3 votes in favour, motion passes

ZK: Motion to approve the incoming executive budget *overview of budget*

JL: Two comments on the budget: The lanyards are not this expensive, please adjust based on the actuals from last years. Stickers are fine. Adobe creative cloud unit price cost has increased, perhaps its in USD, so please make sure that's adjusted. For Science Quest, you don't need to do criminal background checks, you can if you want but we didn't last year. For Ben, add two additional things: a coin counter and a bill sorter.

SL: For lanyards, we couldn't find the cost from last year. We also wanted to purchase eco-friendly lanyards so this cost is based on a different supplier. All other changes are seen as friendly and the changes will be adjusted.

JL: Also, if any unexpected costs arise from the COVID-19 situation, please notify council

3 votes in favour, motion passes

ZK: Motion to change Ontario Engineering Competition (OEC) to be a temporary corporate initiative. Advisory Board has approved this change. This is only a change to by-law. This includes that any future CFES and ESSCO external conferences held at Queen's in the future.

3 votes in favour, motion passes

ZK: Next we will vote on honorariums.

JY: Based on my experience with executives and my close work with this executive, I believe this executive to all be well-deserving of their honorarium.

ZK: Motion to give Delaney Benoit, the President, one week of summer pay to honour her work this summer.

2 votes in favour, motion passes

ZK: Motion to give Jinho Lee, the Vice-President (Operations), one week of summer pay to honour his work this summer.

2 votes in favour, motion passes

JL: Motion to give Zaid Kasim, the Vice-President (Student Affairs), one week of summer pay to honour his work this summer.

2 votes in favour, motion passes