

###### Council Minutes

Thursday, November 10th , 2022

6:30 pm

Speaker: Kaija Edwards

Secretary: Ellen Wu

*Council begins, 6:34 pm.*

# I. ATTENDANCE

# II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Motion 1

##### Motion 1

Whereas: An agenda was made;

& whereas: we need to approve it;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council approve the agenda of the Council meeting of November 10, 2022, as seen on the Engineering Society website.

Moved by: Jack “null” Lipton

Seconded by: Kaija “space” Edwards

**Motion passes, 6:35 pm.**

# III. Adoption of the Minutes: Motion 2

##### Motion 2

Whereas: It’s been some amount of time since the last council;

& whereas: Ellen wrote the minutes and they need to be approved;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council approve the minutes of the Council meeting of October 27 2022, as seen on the Engineering Society website.

Moved by: Jack “” Lipton

Seconded by: Kaija “” Edwards

**Motion passes, 6:36 pm**

# IV. Speaker’s Business

**Kaija Edwards:** Let us acknowledge Queen’s is situated on traditional Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabek territory. We are grateful to live, learn and play on these lands. To acknowledge this traditional territory is to recognize its longer history and to acknowledge this territory’s significance for the indigenous people who lived and continue to live upon it and who’s spiritual practices were tied to the land.

# VI. New Business [3]

##### motion 3

Whereas: Jacket council is next week;

& whereas: First years have too many votes, leading to council possibly lasting 15 minutes;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The First Year Executive’s votes are suspended at the end of this council

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

Their voting privileges are restored following the completion of Jacket Council

Moved by: Thomas “Squirrel in my Pants’ spells” Mulvihill

Seconded by: Jack “SIMP” Lipton

**Opening:**

**Thomas Mulvihill:** Yeah, just a question whether you want jacket council to last 5 minutes or an hour. You can vote against us if you want, your choice, but I don’t think you guys have enough votes to overturn us. Please vote as you will, it will be fun to have Jacket Council last that long. I’m also going to send an email to people for Jacket Council, if you would like to be there, it’s next Tuesday, let me know and I’ll include you on the email.

**Julia Takimoto:** Follow up on the Jacket Council next Tuesday, do we need to be submitting motions for jacket council as tradition? If so, when would those need to be done by?

**Thomas Mulvihill:** You can, if you like, it would be appreciated/ encouraged, but there is no requirement to do so. If you have any challenge ideas, shoot me an email, that’s open to everyone, we’re very open to suggestions.

**Motion passes, 6:42 pm**

# viI. Executive reports

##### i) President

**Danielle Rivard:** Hi everyone, things I’ve been doing, I’ve been helping Chloe with her new team hiring, which has been fun. I’ve been helping Zoe plan Sci-formal, things have been looking very promising, which is very exciting, Grant hall has been booked, and everything is looking good. I’ve been acting as SVRP rep as well, I’ve also helped Kalena with Fix’ N Clean. Things I will be doing are continuing to support the team and meeting with Ext, EngSocs to discuss pros and cons of CFES, though I will be slowing down starting the end of week 10 to let directors focus on exams.

##### II) Vice president of operations

*Not present*

##### II) Vice president of student affairs

**Ali Bekheet:** I’ve been meeting with many directors; I’ve hired Taylor as the director of events. General updates include, got a FYPCO to get started working on policy. We’re also working with ASUS for a mental health headspace room for engineers, as well as working to get cooler games for the lounge. We’ve gotten new washroom signs for clearer signage of gender neutral washrooms. We’re also planning to have Year Crest Paintings next week, and meeting with ComSoc president.

# VIII. Director Reports

##### i) Academics

**Connor Bosy:** Things I’ve been doing include BEDFund idea generation event in the foyer on Tuesday, faculty meetings to get information about BedFund purchases. We’ve figured out the EngLinks workshops, we’ve planned the first year workshops and have them all booked. We’ve met with faculty faculty to bring back old academic offerings, and lots of help for discipline clubs. The next two week are working on the BEDFund impact report, with academic update of resources with FYPCO, and academics Roundtable with VPAs along with planning a final exam workshop.

##### II) Communications

*Not Present*

##### iII) Clubs & conferences

*Not present*

##### IV) Design

**Michael Cronin:** Quarterly reports were due last week, went over those, lots of fun. Had the first roundtable also last week, with lots of discussion about hiring policy and more. Had a meeting with FYPCO which was awesome, he’s a pretty cool guy. Going to finish reviewing quarterly reports, reviewing stewardship agreements and have a good time.

##### V) Internal Processes

**Maggie Mae-Burr:** I’ve been thinking about getting some therapy dogs in the EngSoc Lounge, as well as contacted Imaginus to begin organizing a poster sale for next semester. I’ve began FYPCO meetings and worked on creating a Microsoft form for the All-Eng, a new office hours form for the EngSoc Lounge, as well as trying to find a good system to book the EngSoc louge room for directors. For the next two weeks, EngSoc and faculty want to do a wellness event in the lounge with free pizza, free food at next Friday over lunch.

##### VI) ExternaL Relations

**Kalena McCloskey:** Things I’ve been doing over the past two weeks are running ThunderCanz and advertising that with the Outreach Team. The last day is actually today and my orientation group is currently in the lead. I continued to work with Fix N’ Clean coordinators to organize the event, ran our first ExCC meeting, follow queens\_excc on Instagram. I;ve hired delegates, and for the next two week the plan is to plan the float for the Santa Clause Parade, and help coordinators for Fix N’ Clean as well as prepping delegates and getting posts up on the ExCC Instagram.

##### VII) Finance

**Orissa Ghai*:***Hi council, things I’ve been doing the past two weeks are routine meetings, attended the Advisory Board Accounting Skills session and will share the resources to affiliated groups. Budgets have all ben reviewed and approved or under review for specific groups. We’re documenting financially active vs unactive groups as many things have changed since COVID. We have also started getting prepared with the Cash Box and next, we’re moniotriing and managing BoE transactions via cheques, supporting the AGs with the cash box and training them on how to use the POS machine.

##### VIII) First Year

**Thomas Mulvihill:** I’ve been hiring FYPCO, and having small meetingds as well as writing mass emails, which consisted of making memes, which is apparently the most appreciated in my emails. As well as preparing for Jacket Council. Next week, I’ll be continuing to prepare for Jacket Council, and prep for Jacket Pickup.

##### IX) Human Resources

**Hayley Galsworthy:** I’ve been met the FYPCO, and introduced them to the rest of the team, as well as brainstorming and planning a project for the FYPCO. We’re getting started on the hiring calendar, and everyone who has a hiring period should have gotten an email, if not, please contact me. For the next two weeks, we’re discussing the possibility of a faculty-wide survey and planning a boogie board replacement and then breezy obviously and same thing for this week, just continuing those.

##### x) Governance

**Jack Lipton:** So now, starting to look forwards and into the next round of elections, so that’s starting with an info night that’s on the 30th in the tea room and that should go up on the EngSoc Instagram tomorrow. Copies of the updated ByLaw have been changed online plus a printed version in the lounge if anyone has time to kill and want to read a 112 page PDF. Hired a DRO so the election committee is starting to come together, and also I’ve reopen nominations for Sci’23 and Sci’24 year exec. If you are inside this room and Sci’24, please get people to apply or apply yourself. Over the next two weeks, we’re going to hopefully get the same thing going for Sci’23, updating my budget with actuals, and finalizing jacket council.

##### XI) Information technology

*Not Present*

##### xiI) Social Issues

**Danielle Rivard:** Mesoma recently attended an equity conference under the AMS, and had a really good time. The goal is to just get all the faculty in ad figure out what everyone is doing for starting initiatives and how we can support those initiatives. Another thing is she is trying to restructure the equity team to have a more permanent purpose as the equity team is relatively new, so we’re working on that.

**Julia Takimoto:** Just going to add on, upper year jacket bursaries are open and closing tomorrow at midnight, so if you don’t have a jacket, this is your opportunity to get one with a bursary and then potentially get your jacket fitted Monday evening.

##### xiII) Professional Development

**Kate Patterson:** Hi council, somethings I’ve bee doing are finalizing sweaters, looking into getting a financial literacy course for students, especially for women in Eng, and adding more people to the QYEA mentorship program. Stuff I will be doing over the next two weeks are run Job Applications Prep Week, which is next weeks and a series of 4 events, with help for resume, cover letters, interviews etc, have our first full PD Team Social, though we’re not done hiring, we have a marketing position that’s right now on Breezy. Improving slack communication channels, following up with financial literacy course, meeting with my FYPCO and the discussing new events/initiatives with new committee members.

##### xIv) Services

**Alexa Hadley:** Hi guys, finally made it to council, I’ve been supporting all my services in different capacities, just basically trying to get into the norm, so supporting CEP in Jacket Fitting, supporting Clark with trivia, ritual and special events, fun fact, next trivia is sex trivia. Also had head manager check ins to make sure all my head managers are okay, since it’s burn our season right now, putting out a feedback forum for all services. Besisdes from that, we’re doing service collaborations, and going forward, trying to make a better schedule for the head managers, and come up with more events and initiatives I also want more compost bins in the tea room for people to throw away their garbage.

##### xv) Events

**Taylor Hambleton:**Hi everyone, still familiarizing myself with the role as I was just hired, focusing on Movember and December 6’s memorial, which are the two main things I’m focusing on right now.

# IX. Question Period

**Jonah Opler:** Isn’t it kind of questionable that your orientation group is first for the event that you’re running?

**Kalena McCloskey:** They took on the initiative to make their own donations, I merely encouraged them.

**Thomas Mulvihill:** Director of services, is there any prize for sex trivia by any chance, and what is it?

**Alex Hadley:** Sex trivia is actually run by Queen’s sexual health and it’s either a bucket of lube, or a sex toy, maybe both.

**Sci’26 Vice-President:** I saw on the report there’s an EngSoc banquet, and I was wondering if there was a date on that

**Maggie Mae-Burr:** EngSoc is held at the end of the year and everyone who had an important role in the engineering society goes, there are good rewards you can win and it’s just a fun time.

# X. Faculty Board Report

**Sci’25 Vice President:** It was yesterday, and very short and not really relevant to students, as it was mostly about professors and their publications. The Dean wants to clamp down on non-academic misconduct such as the drinking culture and destruction of property.

# XI. Alma Mater Society Report

**Danielle Rivard:** Essentially at the last AMS assembly, there was a lot of presentation of student fees, I think there was a Taylor swift club that happened. It was basically focused on improving more student fees which if anyone wants to make a club, you can bring it to the AMS and get student fees even if it’s a Taylor swift club which have listening parties.

# xiI. Senate Report

**Adam Raco:** There was senate last week and one of the main thing was the engineering technology bridging program, where they have college students coming in. They had it approved a second time, so they’re going to start with mining and civil and the first cohort of students will apply in the summer of 2023, where they will complete complementary courses alongside courses in first year during 2023 – 2024 year. I have a lot of information if anyone wants it, they can contact me. They also talked about how the public board strike affected faculty programs and one of the things that was talked about was how Queens could help alleviate some of the challenges brought from that. The Principal issued a statement about the protest in Iran and he indicated that he wanted to stand for a second term where the Joint board/senate will review that and have a recommendation by March 2023.

# XIII. Advisory Board Report

**Jonah Opler:** The orientation week committee to do the retrospective presentation was lovely, we’ve continued monthly check-ins with the head manager. The financial skill session was run by John Carlson, a commerce professor, which I heard went swimmingly. We’re trudging along with our subcommittee goal plans and I am looking for two new alumni members, so look forward to that.

# XIV. Club Reports

##### I) engphys

**Megan Corbet:** So we got our council together, we had a couple of meetings, but we haven’t filled all positions, so a small council but a good amount of varying years. So far, a lot of meetings with the co-president to manage our budget and make our strat plans. We helped out at grad info night, might be planning a mini dodgeball tournament, and get a newsletter, as well as make our end of the year banquet more formal.

##### II) ece

**Peter Matthews:** Organized ECE night, which is happening right now, we sold some old merch that we had, made a little money off of that. Also, our brand new discipline mechatronics, which although they don’t have a discipline club, they’ve been operating within ECE, so I’d like to invite Sophie, our MRE rep to give a mechatronics report now.

**MRE Rep:** We have updated the ECE constitution for positions for MRE students and we’re hoping to have those positions filled by the end of the month to organize merch and events for tron students.

##### III) mech

**Connor Bosy:** Nobody from the mechatronics council can make it right now due to a midterm, so I have an update from their president instead. So there was no transition from past council, so they’re still getting to know each other, working on budgets and strat plans, and think about merchandising. They’re trying to get headshots for Instagram head shots.

##### IV) mining

**Lisa Du Plessis:** Couple updates, starting on January 1st, we’re no longer doing bank of EngSoc, I’m not sure if we’re still a discipline club to be honest.

**Ali Bekheet:** Yes, you are.

**Lisa Du Plessis:** We’re working on getting team headshots, we put together a competition team who are competition in February and looking to doing something with Geo soon, and also having a talk next week where students talk about their past internships and stuff.

# XV. Year Reports

##### I) Sci ’23

We still don’t have a functional exec, but we’re hoping to have one by the end of term. If you are in Sci’23 and you want a yearbook, or thank you gifts or any fun grad stuff, please join year exec.

##### II) Sci ’24

The nominations have been open for Sci’24, and they will be open till Monday. Please apply and then elections will follow shortly after. The crew necks that have been missing for a year have finally arrived, so if you ordered one, please come pick it up, we’re tracking those people down.

##### III) Sci ‘25

We’re running a dodgeball tournament between Sci’25 and Comm’ 25, we did run into some financial troubles, but hopefully Evan will resolve them when he replies to his email. Our sticker ideas were approved and passing a Pattys baseball jersey have passed through trademarks.

##### Iv) Sci ’26

Couple meetings, we’ve gathered and ordered stickers for year crest and thinking ideas for merch and how to get people to vote on the merch they want. We’re trying to organize more events, such as the chem kahoot and possibly a dodgeball game as well.

# xVI. Statements and Questions by Members and discussion period

 **Peter Mathew:** Does Sci’ 26 have a plan for painting year crest?

**Sci’ 26 President:** We think it’s next Sunday maybe because we’re waiting for upper years to have a time where we can all do it.

**Ali Bekheet:** The plan was to have it last week, however, after I went into the lounge and prepared the materials, turns out someone left a can of paint opened. So, the paint was solidified, so another trip to Home Depot before the year crest is to be painted.

**Jonah Opler:** The logo competition is going on right now, and people have been asking me questions and such, so if anyone has any questions you can ask now, it’s due Sunday before midnight.

**Rein Tisler:** We the miller club got approval for the bake sale, so if you want to support your geo friends to fund the year end social, there is a bake sale next Thursday 12:30 – 4 in the ARC.

**Thomas Mulvihill**: If we fund your social, can we come?

**Rein Tisler:** That is unclear of the moment, but you get cookies and baked goods.

**Danielle Rivard:** I just wanted make a statement on what I’m trying to do this term. I’ve been really inspired by the ASUS SVPR rep and I want to implement one of our own for EngSoc. I’m currently acting as the rep right now and the goal is to have a united front, university wide. I feel like that way we can get more change for how sexual violence recording and response is dealt with. That’s something I don’t want to get lost when my term is done, so I’m trying to figure out where it can be placed in our structure and I also want to know if there is any interest in that position, so yeah, email me if you have any interest in that.

**Question:** As someone who does not have a official position, are we allowed to submit motions for Jacket Council?

**Thomas Mulvihill:** Email motions to me, if they’re funny and good, yes.

**Julia Takimoto:** Traditionally, for Jacket council, each of the year exec and discipline club will create and submit a motion to Jacket Council, usually related to some funny joke relevant to your year or group like maybe number of times you cheated on a zoom exam… or maybe not.

**Thomas Mulvihill:** I can send out past agendas for Jacket Council so everyone has an idea and that’s a great idea, so year execs if you can please submit some motions.

**First Year Vice-President:** Do First-year execs have to submit a motion?

**Thomas Mulvihill:** Essentially, yes, at the end you make a grand speech that you want your jackets and votes back.

##### Motion to Close:

Moved by: Connor Bosy

Seconded by: Julia Takimoto

**Motion Passes, 7:24 pm**