

## Office of the Speakers

Bureau de Présidents du Conseil

## Motion Regarding Transfer of Year-End Surplus

Submitted for: April 25, 2013

Whereas, the Capital Expenditure Reserve Fund (CERF) is defined as "a mechanism that allows the Society to set aside funds for the anticipated maintenance and purchase of capital assets that cannot be supported from the operating budget." according to Bylaw Book II-7 Article 1.3;

Whereas, By-Law Book II-7 Article 1.10 states "As a maintenance feature, in every fiscal year, a minimum amount equal to \$30,000 shall be restricted in the Final Budget to be deposited in the Capital Expenditures Reserve Fund at the year's end;"

Whereas, the article as written fails to account for the natural growth cycle of the Society wherein expenses related to the expansion of the society and its services have met or outpaced the current operating budget as derived from the student base fee of this fiscal period thus requiring an increased fee levy in the following period and inherently resulting in a time where the transfer is not feasible;

Whereas, the balance of CERF as of the presentation of the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending May 31st, 2012 is \$5,009,679 of which \$919,262 is held in cash or cash equivalents;

Whereas, the loss of \$30,000 will not seriously affect any functions or projects of the society;

Resolved, that By-Law Book II-7 Article 1.10 be suspended for the fiscal year ending May 31st, 2013,

Resolved, that any realized surplus in the 2012-2013 fiscal year be transferred to CERF regardless of the suspension of the by-laws.

Moved by:

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