

Report to SSMU Council - 22 February 2018

General

- A. It's currently campaign period for **EUS Elections**. Nam and I are missing debates to be at Council tonight.
- B. **E-Week** was a great success this year - 650 participants! We sold non-drinking tickets this year, and are continuing to work on making the week more accessible and inclusive.
- C. The EUS sent four delegates to **Canadian Federation of Engineering Students (CFES) Congress 2018** in January. The congress brings together students from engineering societies (EngSocs) across Canada for a variety of workshops, seminars, and roundtable discussions, along with the annual GA and Exec elections. There were lots of really interesting topics to come out of Congress: how different Societies run Frosh, how EngSocs are navigating culture change, the reality that most EngSocs don't have a good relationship with their SSMU-equivalent, and lots more!
 - a. Congress is an incredible opportunity for knowledge sharing, where different EngSocs can learn from each other's successes and failures. The EUS is excited to be **hosting Congress 2019**. Our delegation got lots of great ideas and feedback for hosting.
 - b. One of my favourite points from the delegation was on **the difference between accommodating and accessible**.
accommodating = creating a space that can be changed to allow someone access when they show up / request it
accessible = creating a space to be accessible by nature
I have lots of thoughts on this, which I wanted to bring up during debate on the Motion to de-gender the language of the SSMU last Council, but I had too much difficulty collecting my thoughts
- D. I have started my term on the **Board of Directors**. We have our second meeting this weekend and training next week. I now sit on both Council and Board of both the EUS and the SSMU...

EUS Council

- A. As stipulated in the question which created it just under a year ago, the **EUS Board of Governors** is currently under review. Council heard a presentation from the Board, but has requested a more thorough discussion, with all Board members present. It's great to see Councilors staying engaged and keeping us accountable on the Board!
- B. We are in the process of **reviewing the Constitution**, and have been working through it section by section. The project should be completed by mid-March. I'm hopeful one of the amendments will invite SSMU Reps to attend Exec meetings, as a way to help build and solidify the relationship we've been building between Engineering and the SSMU.

C. Council meeting 20 Feb (yesterday):

- a. **UEQ** approached our President to propose the EUS join them. We discussed this, and didn't come to a firm conclusion, although opinion seems to be that if Eng students join UEQ, it should be as part of the SSMU, not the EUS. Councilors expressed interest in a presentation from UEQ, as we heard one from AVEQ earlier in the year.
- b. We heard the second half of our **Midterm Reports from Executives**.
- c. We had a Notice of Motion to approve a set of **Standing Rules** compiled by our fantastic speaker, Joey Decunha, who you may know as a frequent proxy for the Science Reps :)
- d. We discussed good and bad TAs, and how the **quality of TAs and tutorials** could improve. Our VP Academic will be bringing this feedback to the Faculty.

Committees

A. Funding Committee

- a. We helped write amendments to the Motions on the Campus Life and Clubs Funds.
- b. Every week we approve funding for cool stuff on campus. It's a great committee. Laureanne is fantastic.

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