Engineering Graduate Course Council

# Meeting Minutes

# January 23, 2014

## Opening

The regular meeting of the Engineering Graduate Course Council was called to order at 3:00 pm on January 23, 2014 in Room 3C60 (Engineering Building) by Cinnati Loi.

## Present

Mostafa Aghbolaghy (CHE), Roanne Kelln (CE/GeoE), Shea Pederson (EE), Rajat Chakravarty (treasurer/secretary), Malhar (??), Hafiz (CE/GeoE) and Cinnati Loi (president).

## Approval of Agenda (Proposed by Mostafa, Seconded by Malhar)

The agenda was unanimously approved with the additions suggested by Mostafa regarding the GSA Awards and the GSA VP External’s report.

## Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the December meeting were not available, and so will be approved at the next EGCC meeting. Cinnati to follow up with Shea regarding December minutes.

## Open Issues

1. Payment of TV – Cheque from FMD should be received soon.
2. Academic Honesty Session – discussed in brief. TransformUS was also discussed. The group feels there is a lack of clarity as to what type of feedback the administration would like to see. Cinnati to follow up with the Dean.
3. Faculty Council Meeting – A date for the next meeting has not been set; an update will be provided at a later time.
4. New Website – Cinnati launched the new website. Cinnati is looking into options for a cabinet or other options for storing files. Hafiz to send photo to Cinnati for posting on the EGCC website.
5. GSA Council Meeting – Suggestions on clarifications to the UPass referendum question were discussed. The suggested changes that will be brought forward at the GSA meeting were a) to indicate that the UPass will be mandatory for all students, b) to indicate the period of the agreement, and c) to indicate whether a cap will apply to the consumer price index adjustment. The GSA Awards Gala was discussed, and Mostafa noted that there is no mention of engineering specifically, and it would be nice to see it indicated in the category with the sciences. This concern will also be brought up at the GSA meeting. The role of VP External in the GSA was discussed, and concerns about the responsibilities and scope of the work of the VP External will be bridged at the GSA meeting by asking for more detail.
6. TransformUS – see note on item #2

## New Business

1. Discussed possible social ideas. Will aim for March for the social event. Cinnati to look into option of booking SESS Lounge, including insurance, for a Zumba® Fitness Party (1 hr class) and social.

## Adjournment (Proposed by Rajat)

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m. by Cinnati Loi. The next executive meeting will be Wednesday, February 26, 2014, at 3:30 in Engineering 3C60.

Minutes submitted by: Roanne Kelln