**ALL ATTENDANTS: Please inform the President of your presence.**

**Approved Absences:**

Anahita Martin

Vicky Robinson

**PROXY: (Person for Person)**

Grace Vander Doelen for Anahita Martin

Alex Damjanovski for Vicky Robinson

**Quorum Count:** 21

**Ratification of the Agenda**

**Motioned By:** Alex Damjanovski

**Seconded by:** Rosalie Wang

**For:** 20

**Motion:**Pass

**Ratification of Last Council Meeting’s Minutes**

**Motioned By:** Sheridan Fong

**Seconded by:** Alex Damjanovski

**For:** 18

**Motion:**Pass

**Executive Updates**

**President**

* Currently still working on the iron pin ceremony
* Still looking to recruit tutors with UPTN and coming up with a plan on a good tutoring program
* Undergrad curriculum policy
* Meeting with Dr. so if any of you have anything you me to talk to her about
* Currently tying up loose ends with the VP academic
	+ Working on finishing transitioning
	+ Engineering graduate society (EGS)
		- Student professionals affairs council
			* In the process to get support for outdoor events
* Currently helping CO-OCs plan the new hiring co-ocs process
	+ The re-election is happening on November 10th

**VP Student Life**

* New in person EOHSS form is live on the MES website
* Make sure that you are hitting each guideline when you submit the form
	+ Please specify that you will follow guidelines and how you will do so
* If you have any questions about the event, just message Sheridan about it

 Discussion:

* Where is the form available on EOHSS?
	+ It is found on the MES website under council resources

**VP Academic**

* Still waiting to meet with Alex (The president) to discuss their course of action
* Currently many students are reaching out to ask if he can advocate to profs about grades they were not happy with

**VP External**

* FYC delegates were selected this week
* CDE applications went out today (October 20th)
	+ The applications will be open for a week and a half
	+ This conference will be occurring mid-November
	+ Please spread the word about this conference
* CALC Conference
	+ Confirmed to be in person
	+ Applications are going out in November
	+ The conference will occur on January 2nd - 8th
	+ The conference will take place on Newfoundland so it will not be cheap to go there

**VP Finance**

* Currently working with the clubs and teams to help keep finances organized
	+ Helping clubs get familiarized with the way finances are organized
* Transition has been difficult for a lot of clubs
* From now on to access the expense report form, do it from finances page on MES website
* For future meetings, when anyone brings up anything with acronyms, try to define the acronyms for better understanding from the rest of the council

**VP Communications**

* Advertising request from on the MES page
* The MES TikTok launched this week
	+ There will be a change in the way they are going to upload the TikToks on the app
	+ Anyone involved will be getting a message from Sophie on how to do it
* Next MESsenger on October 31st
	+ Reply to the email that was sent if you want to include anything in this edition
* Plumbline was posted before reading week
* Sophie sent out an email asking if anyone wants to host office hours
	+ If you interested in that check your email and fill out the form that she sent
	+ Or just send a message to sophie

**PRESENTATIONS & MOTIONS**

**Motion #1: I Just Want Life to be EZ**

**Spirit:** To make coordination between the VP Communications and the existing members of the Elections Committee easier throughout the election process. To allow the VP Communications to perform their pre-existing responsibilities more efficiently and effectively.

**Motioned by:** Sophie Ciardullo

 **Seconded by:** Sheridan Fong

**WHEREAS:** The VP Communications does not currently sit on the Elections Committee.

**Whereas** the current number of voting members on the Elections Committee is set for successful decision making and the VP Communications would not serve a contributing vote.

**Whereas** the VP Communications already holds overlapping responsibilities with those of the Elections Committee.

**BIRT:** The VP Communications is added as a non-voting member to the Elections Committee.

**BIFRT** The Bylaws be amended to reflect the addition of the VP Communications to the Elections Committee.

**For:** 20

**Motion:** Passes

**Motion #2: MacHacks Special Funding Request**

**Spirit:** MacHacks is a hackathon that emphasizes the utilization of AI for solutions for everyday problems. It allows McMaster to be seen as a leader in the field of AI and promotes the understanding of this field for McMaster students.

**Motioned by:** Shanthika Ravindran

 **Seconded by:** Sheridan Fong

**WHEREAS:** Whereas there is not enough funding for MacHacks to reach out to individuals who would be interested in participating in such a hackathon.

**BIRT:** BIRT we should receive additional funding which would allow MacHacks participants ample opportunity and resources to come up with the best solutions in the field of AI.

**Cost of Implication: ​​**Social Media, Emergency Funding, Prizes, Shipping costs

Discussion:

* Last year they had 750 applicants but could only take on 250 participants
* Last year they had $750 dollars now they want $1000
	+ This money will mainly be used towards prizes
* They are currently under the MSU

**For:** 16

**Against:** 1

**Abstain:** 2

**Motion:** Passes

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Supdates:**

Mech Rep:

* MSME still planning to host a few events next week

Software Rep:

* Ses has begun planning events after delays fill our council seats

iBio Rep:

* Running another in person halloween event
	+ Pumpkin painting

Eng Phys Rep:

* Meet the profs night happened yesterday

BTech Rep:

* PEO information night happening on October 25th

Management Rep:

* New level reps that they will be talking to
* Next week there will be a scavenger hunt
	+ Check out their social media accounts

First Year Reps:

 Eng:

* + Making a survey to ask what first years are interested in
	+ Done by end of the week of October 18th

AVP Academic Resources:

* Notes bank is fully organized
* Can be accessed through academic resources on MES website
* Had help session run which had a massive turn out
	+ Over 80 people in second year
* First year math help session
* First computing help session is happening early november
* Student engagement very good

AVP Events:

* Trivia night
	+ Success compared to game night
	+ 8 participants
	+ Focus more on trivia nights
	+ Link for the zoom mixed up for the Messenger
		- Will make sure that the link is correct for next time
* October fest is happening in person
* Culture is running a carnival
	+ October 26th
	+ Movie night happening at 5:30
	+ Share the advertisements
	+ Only allowed 100 people

AVP Clubs & Services:

* The president is talking to Dr. mcdonald to get 1p10 and 1p13 bonus points
* Contact Rosalie and Alex about bonus points
* First years have been transitioned

VP Student Life:

Fyc

* Happened two weeks ago
* Hybrid model
* First in person second day virtual

Wellness

* 3 in person events this month
* Cross over with culture committee
* In person yoga - cap at 25 so sign up fast

Hatch coordinator

* Working on getting more white board markers for hatch rooms
* Lost and found because stuff is being left behind
	+ Small box in MES

Administrator:

* Everyone fill out the when to meet for SAGM

**Motion to Adjourn the Meeting**

**Motioned By:** Sheridan Fong

**Seconded by:** Terrel Marshall

**For:** 19

**Motion:**Pass