



2015 Annual General Meeting

Unofficial Minutes

Date: April 1, 2015

Attendance at the start of meeting: 51 members

Quorum achieved.

1. Approval of Agenda Decision

Moved by: Shifa Abbas

Seconded by: Brandon Love

Decision: Agenda approved.

2. Land Recognition Presentation

Kalin Stacey acknowledges on behalf of WPIRG and the AGM that our social justice work takes place on stolen indigenous land (belonging to the Six Nations of the Grand River) in a context of ongoing colonization and land theft.

3. Approval of 2014 AGM Minutes Decision

Moved by: Becca Redden

Seconded by: Marc Mailhot

Decision: Minutes approved.

4. Approval of W2015 Members Meeting Minutes Decision

Moved by: Shifa Abbas

Seconded by: Max Altvater

Decision: Minutes approved.

5. Presentation of Annual Report by the Board of Directors Presentation

Directors Shifa Abbas and Becca Redden present the 2015 Annual Report.

6. Approval of 2013-2014 Audit Decision

Michelle McDermott of Moore, McDermott and Partners, LLP presents the audited statements.

Moved by: Brandon Love

Seconded by: Marc Mailhot

Decision: Audited statements approved.

7. Approval of Moore, McDermott and Partners, LLP as the 2014-2015 Auditors Decision

Moved by: Dave Beverly-Foster

Seconded by: Zainab Ramahi

Decision: Motion approved.

8. Approval of Bylaw Amendments (Attachment) Decision

Moved by: Filzah Nasir

Seconded by: Rachael Thevenard

Decision: Bylaw Amendments approved.

9. Election of 2015-2016 Board of Directors Election

10 candidates stand for election for 7 open positions. Candidates are:

Maximillian Alvater (1B Geography),

Dave Beverly-Foster (4B Environment and Resource Studies),

Amna El-Shatshat (4B Biochemistry),

Matt Feagan (Community Member),

Shalaka Jadhav, (2B Planning)

Brandon Love (4A Geomatics),

Angela Ko (3B Computer Engineering),

Zainab Mahdi (1B Health Studies)

Amal Sabrie (3B Psychology)

Menaka Shanmuganatha (3B Applied Health Studies)

Elected by ranked ballot:

Amna El-Shatshat (4B Biochemistry),
Matt Feagan (Community Member),
Shalaka Jadhav, (2B Planning)
Brandon Love (4A Geomatics),
Angela Ko (3B Computer Engineering),
Amal Sabrie (3B Psychology)
Menaka Shanmuganatha (3B Applied Health Studies)

10. Presentation of W2015 Bursary

Presentation

Jama Hagi-Yusuf was awarded the 2005 Community Builder Bursary.

11. Presentation of 2015 Social Justice Awards

Presentation

Elana Hashman, founding member of Women in Computer Science, was presented with the 2015 WPIRG Social Justice Activist Award in recognition of her work towards gender and racial equality in S.T.E.M. fields and at the University of Waterloo more generally.

12. Adjournment

Decision

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.



2015 Annual General Meeting Agenda Attachment #1

By-Law #1

Membership Approval: **April 7, 2008**

Board Approval: April 7, 2008

Article 4: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

4.7 **Appointment of Directors.** The Board ~~may appoint~~ shall determine a policy for the appointment of interim Directors in order to fill vacancies made by Directors' leaves or resignations. Such appointed Directors shall have the same rights and responsibilities as duly elected Directors and shall hold office until the next elections. If there is not a quorum of Directors, the remaining Directors shall forthwith call a General Meeting of the members to fill the vacancies.

~~4.8 **Appointment of Directors.** The Board may appoint Directors, who are duly qualified, to fill vacancies at any time as long as a quorum of Directors remain in office. Such appointed Directors shall hold office until the next elections, and shall have the same rights and responsibilities as duly elected Directors. If there is not a quorum of Directors, the remaining Directors shall forthwith call a General Meeting of the members to fill the vacancies.~~

Article 6: MEMBERSHIP

6.1 **Types.** There shall be two types of voting members: student members and community members.

6.2 **Student Member.** A Student Member is each person who:

- a. is a full-time registered undergraduate student at the University of Waterloo, and
- b. has paid the Organization a student membership fee in such amount and in such manner as the Board shall from time to time determine, and has not received a refund for that fee.

- 6.3 **Community Member.** A Community Member is each person who:
- a. is not a registered full-time undergraduate student at the University of Waterloo, and
 - b. has paid the Organization a community membership fee in such amount and in such manner as the Board shall from time to time determine, and has not received a refund for that fee.

- 6.4 **Total Members.** The total number of voting members in the organization shall be calculated as the sum of all members whose membership fees are paid, specifically:
- a. the Student Members who have paid their Student Membership Fee for the current academic term and have not received a refund;
 - b. the Student Members who are not currently enrolled but have paid their Student Membership Fee for the previous academic term in which they were enrolled and did not receive a refund and intend to return to school full-time; and
 - c. the Community Members who have paid their Community Membership Fee.
- 6.6 **Resignation or Termination of Membership.** Members may resign by seeking a refund of their membership fee at designated periods or by submitting a resignation in writing stating their forfeiture of membership duties which shall be effective upon delivery to the Board.

6.11 Full-time paid Employees of the Organization are not eligible for membership within the organization.

Article 7: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

7.4 Notification. Notification of the AGM shall include at least one advertisement in a newspaper with campus-wide distribution.

7.5 Quorum. Quorum for the Annual General Meeting shall be 40 voting members.

Article 8: GENERAL MEETINGS

8.1 **Business.** The Board may call a General Meeting to transact any business which does not specifically require the calling of an AGM. The Board is obligated to call regular General Meetings throughout the course of the year.

~~8.6 Notification.~~ Community members shall be notified by mail, fax, E-mail or in person of an upcoming General Meeting. Notification of student members shall include at least one advertisement in a newspaper with campus-wide distribution.

8.8 **Quorum.** Quorum for a General Meeting shall be 2530 voting members.

~~8.9 Chair of Membership Meetings.~~ A person authorized by the General Meeting shall chair all meetings of the membership.