

Federation of Students

Winter General Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, March 29 @ 5:00pm

SLC Great Hall

Chair Chris Lolas

Remarks from the Chair

Agenda Items

Topic	Action
1. Approval of Agenda*	Decision
2. Approval of minutes from 2015 Winter GM	Decision
3. Receiving the Auditor's Report	Information
4. Election of the Board of Directors (2017-2018)	Decision
5. Ratification of 2017-2018 Executive	Decision
6. Feds Teaching Award Winner	Information
7. Feds Fee CPI Increase	Decision
8. Orientation Fee CPI Increase	Decision
9. Feds Fee \$0.35 Increase	Decision
10. Bylaws Review Presentation	Information
11. Motion to Ratify the Bylaw Amendments	Decision
12. CECA Motion	Decision
13. Budget Committee Elections	Decision
14. Honorary Lifetime Membership(s)	Decision
15. Adjournment	Decision

*Under section V. General Meetings of the by-laws, items 1 through 5 are required to remain in this order. Items 6 through 14 may be rearranged.

General Orders

1. Approval of the Agenda

Motion:

BIRT the General Meeting approves the agenda.

2. Approval of the 2015 Winter General Meeting Minutes

Motion:

BIRT the General Meeting approves 2015 Winter General Meeting Minutes.

3. Receiving the Auditor's Report:

For Information

4. Election of the Board of Directors (2017-2018):

Motion:

BIRT that _____, _____, _____, _____, and _____ fill the member at-large seats on the Board of Directors for May 1st, 2017 until April 30th, 2018.

BIRT that _____ and _____ fill the Councillor seats on the Board of Directors for May 1st, 2017 until April 30th, 2018.

5. Ratification of 2017-2018 Executive:

Motion:

BIRT Andrew Clubine for Vice President Education, Jill Knight for Vice President Internal, Brian Schwan for Vice President Operations and Finance, and Antonio Brieva for President be ratified as the 2017-2018 Executive Team.

6. Announcement of the Feds Teaching Award Winner

Information

7. Approval of the Feds Fee Increase by CPI:

Motion:

BIRT the General Meeting approve the Feds Fee Increase by CPI of 1.4% corresponding to \$0.79 for full-time students.

8. Approval of the Orientation Fee Increase by CPI:

Motion:

BIRT the General Meeting approve the Orientation Fee Increase by CPI of 1.4% corresponding to \$1.48.

9. Approval of the Feds Fee by \$0.35:

Motion:

BIRT the General Meeting approve the Feds Fee Increase \$0.35.

Rationale:

This will go toward increased Service Coordinator honoraria and a part-time student staff to assist with clubs administrative tasks.

10. Bylaw Review Presentation:

For Information related to item 11:

11. Motion to Ratify the Bylaw Amendments:

Motion:

BIRT the current Federation of Students Bylaws be revoked and replaced with the Board of Directors' amended Bylaws as presented.

12. CECA Motion (Member Heather Bone):

Motion:

WHEREAS Co-operative Education is a cornerstone of the learning experience for thousands of students at the University of Waterloo; and

WHEREAS the department of Co-operative Education and Career Action (CECA) performs an essential role in supporting the co-op experience; and

WHEREAS the high frequency of student complaints regarding CECA suggests systemic problems limiting the quality of the department's services; and

WHEREAS CECA has a history of prioritizing employer relationships ahead of student outcomes; and

WHEREAS the WaterlooWorks system, which is administered by CECA, was released notwithstanding critical flaws in the design of its user experience and interface; and

WHEREAS CECA is funded by the co-op fee, which is charged to all co-op students regardless of whether or not they rely on CECA's services to secure employment; and

WHEREAS the expenditure of the co-op fee is opaque and the value to students is unclear in light of the high cost, due to a lack of routine review; and

WHEREAS the co-op fee was recently increased by another 4.9% to a total of over \$700, in spite of student opposition to the increase;

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Federation of Students formally censures the department of Co-operative Education and Career Action due to underperformance in the delivery of support systems for co-op students; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Federation calls on the VP-elect, Education, to deliver on his campaign promise to conduct a deep dive into the co-op fee, and to deliver a report on the progress of the deep dive at the Fall 2017 General Meeting; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Federation requires, to the fullest extent possible, that the results of the deep dive be made publicly available.

13. Election of member(s) of Budget Committee:

Motion:

BIRT that _____, fill the at-large seat on the Budget Committee for May 1st, 2017 until April 30th, 2018.

BIRT that _____, and _____ fill the Councillor seats on the Budget Committee for May 1st, 2017 until April 30th, 2018.

BIRT that _____, fill the director seat on the Budget Committee for May 1st, 2017 until April 30th, 2018.

14. Approval of Honorary Lifetime Membership Winners:

Motion:

BIRT _____ be awarded Honorary Lifetime Membership to the Federation of Students.

15. Adjournment