

## 9th BESS weekly meeting 2020-2021

Meeting Minutes of the Bioresource Engineering Association  
Macdonald campus of McGill University  
November 9, 2020

### 1. Call to Order

- 1.1. A council meeting of the Bioresource Engineering Association was held on the 9th of November on Zoom. It began at 10:00 and was presided over by Katherine Palevsky, with Olivia St-Pierre as secretary.

### 2. Attendees

- 2.1. Voting members in attendance included Olivia St-Pierre, Katherine Palevsky, Jennyfer Liang, Ines Serghini, Luc Roy
- 2.2. Year Representatives: Roxanne Tremblay
- 2.3. Guests in attendance included [ ]
- 2.4. Members not in attendance included Anna Gleason, Shimon Takagi, Alex Audi, Sean Clark,

### 3. Approval of Minutes

- 3.1. Motion to approve the minutes of the November 2nd

### 4. Adoption of the Agenda

- 4.1. Written in Minutes:
  - Motion to ...
    - Objected by ...
    - Seconded by ...
  - Vote held. Motion carried/failed with # in favor and # opposed.
- 4.2. Spoken Procedure
  - To Vote: "We will now proceed to vote. All those in favor say "aye", all opposed say "no". Motion passes/fails.
    - If there is disagreement with the decision of the vote by voice: "I call for a division of the house" - call for a vote by actual count
  - Point of Order - object to procedure or personal offense
  - Point of Information - request information

### 5. Administration

- 5.1. -

### 6. Executive's Reports

- 6.1. President, Katie
  - Town Hall was a great success

- Follow up survey: on the drive (list of question)  
Post it on Wednesday.
- Pumpkin carving: prize to Sadie and Florence (participation)
- General Assembly - november 18, 2020 : present budget and present what we have done so far. Every member should be there.
- Christmas party: who's in charge?
  - Ngadi update
  - Potential online platform:  
<https://blog.mozilla.org/firefox/virtual-halloween-mozilla-hubs/> or  
google website
  - Luc gift exchange
  - Live zoom for an hour or two.
  - Alex: music club, recorded concert
  - Recipe exchange
  - Games?
- Design fund timeline
  - Advertise before end of semester and have form available over the holidays
  - Forms due end of January

6.2. VP Finance, Sean

- Some of our budget could go into Capstone projects, but we have to keep in mind that not all students can benefit from it (only U3-U4). Other BREE-related projects? Same application form.
- Club founding applications soon
- Can student fees be reimbursed if not used by the end of year? Maybe
- Student fees for september:  $8\$/\text{student} \times 223 \text{ students} = 1784\ \$$

6.3. VP Academic, Shimon

- MatLAB: Anna: Class content not aligned with Lab requirements. Not the first complaint!
- Wednesday's town hall: we should have a list topics to discuss

6.4. VP External, Ines

- CFES: conference on diversity in engineering! Free?
  - Externals only or students too?
- QEC delegation : no further information
  - MAC pre-competition - January
- We will receive more information about a program to promote engineering in cegeps. (OIQ)

- 6.5. VP Industrial Affairs, Jennyfer
  - Facebook event is up for the workshop (BREE students how to search for a job?) on November 12! Email will be sent after this meeting (Olivia)
  - HR panel moved to January -> come up with a list of companies we want there!
  - Contact Julie Godin
    - Downtown event already happening to discuss CV/cover letter/internship! *Ongoing*
    - <https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/McGillEngineeringCareerCentre@McGill.onmicrosoft.com/bookings/>
  
- 6.6. VP Internal, Luc
  - Agronomes: We can join their event. Note: It's in French! We can advertise it. Share the event!
  - Christmas party gift exchange:
    - shipping included in budget
    - Send email to participants ?
  
- 6.7. VP University Affairs, Alex
  - First student complaint: ID card not working downtown! Contact Slava.
    - Slava is working on it, but it's a slow process
  - Music club: something different from a food gift card? Maybe some BREE merch! Hat for example.
  
- 6.8. VP Communications and Services, Olivia
  - Sweatshirts: There is one mistake. We should send a free sweatshirt to the student (next order).
  - Computers in the lounge? 3D printing maybe
  
- 6.9. U1 Rep, Anna
  - Absent
  
- 6.10. U2 Rep [...]
  
- 6.11. U3 Rep, Roxane
  - Will share event!!!!!!11
  
- 6.12. U4 Rep [...]
  
- 6.13. Photographer
  
- 7. Other Reports**
  - 7.1. [Other Topic]

**8. Adjournment**

8.1. Meeting adjourned at 11:00