

B.O.D Meeting

28/11/2011

Topics

18:13 – Introduction of the Board of directors and Executives on hand for the meeting

The following members were present:

- Rob (President)
- Xerxes (VP Admin)
- Jolene (VP External)
- Emily (VP Internal)
- Natasha (VP Communication)
- Rose (VP Finance)
- Theo (Chair)
- Rishibh (Secretary)
- Cindy (Chemical Director)
- Karl (Biomed Director)
- Maduako (Computer Director)
- Imtiaz (Electrical Director)
- Andre (Industrial Director)
- Rhahim (Mechanical Director)
- Hussain (Aerospace Director)
- Arun (Social Commissioner)

Agenda

- Civil Director- Xerxes
- Don't leave things in the office- Rob
- Deans Meeting -Rob
- FYIC conference -Jolene

18:13 Xerxes-A new Civil director position is available, and Erica wants to give a presentation for the position of civil director.

18:14 Erica- Gives a presentation about why she would be fit for the positions, the following points were stated:

- Will give class announcements.
- Knows many people in civil, so RESS events can be advertised to the civil students better.
- Informed with RESS events, so able to get the faculty involved with RESS events again.

18:16 - Open floor

Natasha- “Do you know about office hours?”

Erica- “Yes”

Xerxes- “Do you know all the responsibilities of director?”

Erica-“I’ve briefly asked a few people on what they are.”

Xerxes-“The responsibilities are, be on office hours on time, have an article ready for the ram each month, and be at bod meetings at every other week. Make sure being a director doesn’t interfere with school so you can’t stop doing your director responsibilities.”

Erica- “ It would not hold me down, but rather open me up to new responsibilities.”

Natasha- “How will you appoint reps for each year?”

Erica-“I would get in touch with the civil office, and do application of who is interested rather than someone trying to put something on their resume.”

Xerxes-“A lot of us on here on RESS mostly the exec are friends of yours outside of RESS. Do you think you will make this professional and serious and not let it affect the position on RESS?”

Erica-“I will never ever let an unprofessional relationship get in the way of anything.”

18:21 Erica is asked to leave so voting can commence.

Open Floor is active.

Theo- “So what does everyone think?”

Jolene- “When I have office hours, Erica genuinely likes to help.”

Natasha-“She likes the photo copier which is genuinely the worst task at the office, where she willingly makes photocopies for people who come in or need exams--she likes being helpful.”

Rose- “She also knows how to use the cash register, and is very helpful.”

Emily- “ She’s really good at office stuff, but I think she will be good at appointing people to do class talks, since she has a lot of contacts in civil.”

18:23 **Xerxes**- Motion for making Erica Civil Director for 2011-2012, it is a unanimous decision.

Erica is asked to enter and collect her things and leave. She will get an email on if she got the position.

18:23 **Rob**- Don't leave stuff in the office, since it is a very public area, and a lot of people come in and out of the office.

18:24 **Rob**- Deans meeting will be tomorrow with the execs. They meet at 11:45am at the RESS office, and the go to meet the dean. They will be telling him what the RESS has done for the current year and what their plans are for next year.

18:25 **Rob**- Things to give the Dean:

- Pictures of the BOD of this year
- The handbook
- Pictures of the meet and greet
- Photos from conferences
- Reports of conferences

Two big things that will be brought up in the meeting which will be a bigger office, and a VP Academic position. Scholarships will be talked about with the Dean, and with Glen.

18:29 Open floor

18:30 **Rose**- Who will be running the scholarships?

18:30 **Rob**- RESS will be running the scholarships.

18:31 **Rob**- Looking for a new room, that can facilitate studying socialising and keeping a running society/office.

- Going to other societies to check out their setups might benefit in planning a new room.

18:33 **Karl**- BME has been looking for a new room and where given a small closet sized room for a faculty of 400 students.

18:34 **Rob**- This is for RESS and we are the biggest faculty in the university, and it is necessary for us to expand, our office.

18:34 **Rose**- Who will be at the Dean's meeting?

18:34 **Rob**- Dean, Associate dean and 3 more people. (Not sure, of the names of the 3 other people)

18:35 **Hussain**- Try to get the ball rolling on a better career center in the meeting, much like how TRSM has specify for business students.

18:35 **Rob**- Is it the TRSM or RCS?

18:35 **Hussain**- It's through the RCS.

18:36 **Xerxes**- The TRSM student society is not affiliated with Ryerson or RSU, it is kept entirely off the grid of Ryerson. Currently, TRSM is trying to break all affiliation with Ryerson University, by trying to remove Ryerson's name from there's. Whereas, RESS is affiliated with Ryerson university, and with the faculty of engineering. On the point of the internship office in the Eng building, they don't do enough but they get a lot of people internship positions.

18:37 **Emily**- Rob and Emily had a meeting with the career center. They want to have events on how to do proper interviews, and how to write resumes.

18:38 **Rahim**- Attended an IIC event and they had a representative with the career center there and she didn't know most of the stuff. She didn't know about most terms, and what to include in the resumes.

18:39 **Jolene**- Next semester an event with an engineering firm will be held, which will be discussing career related topics.

18:40 **Imtiaz**- The events for engineers aren't advertised well enough.

18:40 **Rob**- I want RESS to be the hub for all the events, concerning the engineers.

18:41 **Natasha**- They should be contacting RESS since we are a society and being VP COM, I am supposed to get the event advertisements out there, but if associations don't tell me how will I know of them.

18:41 **Xerxes**- Do these associations and groups have the infrastructure to handle the amount of people that we advertise to? Most events will be able to take 30-40 people at a time rather than the 150-200 at a time if RESS starts advertising the events.

18:42 **Karl**- Why can't we take the student groups and student associations under RESS?

18:42 **Rob**- The way UofT is set up is they have directors for IEEE, and other engineering groups affiliated with their Engineering Society.

18:43 **Imtiaz**- Why don't we have outreach under RESS to better programs?

18:44 **Jolene**- That is what the directors do by picking with their representatives from each year, so they can contact them for outreach for the specified program.

18:47 **Theo**- Why not ask the Dean to amalgamate the professional group, and course unions under RESS?

18:48 Xerxes- 2 points: For directors, ask if any of your student groups in your faculty need help with events RESS will help them out. Second point is if we amalgamate the groups and course union and take it under RESS we will have to change the total hierarchy of RESS.

18:50 Rob- We need to have a 5 year goals, with the mandated plans.

18:50 Jolene- Much like the ESSCO 5 year plans that execs make before there term is finished.

18:51 Jolene- Basic discussion on how the WIC conference went. The reports from the delegates are being typed up on what they learnt.

FYIC picking a delegate

FYIC is introduction to engineering, learning new things. PEO presenters are always at FYIC. It's a good thing to learn about the ENG SOC.

18:52 Xerxes- The FYIC conference is a network conference and learning about your ENG SOC.

18:52 Jolene- The delegates were as follows Denti, David, Nahal, Alexandra, Nathan, Walid, Sarah, Momina, and Dante.

In open floor format the delegates were discussed about and, short list was decided by the BOD. However, Xerxes and Rob obtained the short list while the rest of the bod agreed.

19:36 Natasha- Articles for next year are due on Jan 20th

19:36 Meeting Adjourned