

# MEGA Weekly Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> 2014

## Present

Voting: Jeff Abeysekera (President), Graham Hendra (VP Finance), Mazi Jalaal (VP Academic), Jenny Sullivan (VP Social)

Non-voting:

- 1) Jenny mentioned a few people (herself, Jackie, Navid, and possibly others) may not attend the planned movie night on Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> as they have a deadline. Jenny asked to move to the beginning of March. Jeff wanted to check with Graham before rescheduling (temporarily not at the meeting).
- 2) Mazi said that based on conversations with students who took this year's GKE, the exam had similar problems as last year. MEGA is concerned that the department has not made an effort to address the recommendations it provided to the department last summer. Mazi would like to hold another survey to collect more data and opinions from this year's crop of students before meeting with the department to discuss. Mazi will contact Eric Pospisil who created the online survey last year with Google to run another survey. Jeff suggested removing some questions from last year's survey which were not used in the report, and to add questions focused on the recommendations (if possible for the new students to answer).
- 3) Jeff received confirmation from Mu Chiao that the \$6k budget may be used to fund the skating & lunch event as well as the 2014 Sun Run.
- 4) Graham is OK with rescheduling the skating & lunch event to noon on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, but may be late as he needs to TA from 11-12. He might need someone to be at the rink at noon.
- 5) Graham forgot to follow up with Jackie on details about doing a joint curling event. Jenny said that Jackie probably is curious about the \$6k budget. Jeff was concerned about using \$6k funds on BMEGA students (BMEGA spans all engineering departments). Jeff will try to follow up with Jackie.
- 6) Graham will try to meet with Barb by the end of February to discuss TA training compensation.