

Motion RE: CFES Membership Fee Increase

Moved by: Florence Diep, EUS VP External

Seconded by: Mitchell Dumont, Alumni

Whereas, the CFES, Canadian Federation of Engineering Students, is the national association of undergraduate engineering student societies in Canada and exists to organize activities, provide services and interact with professional and other bodies at the national and international level for the benefit of Canadian engineering students

Whereas, the EUS pays membership fees to the CFES once annually

Whereas, the current fee being \$0.51 per full-time student with ~2500 students, the EUS paid \$1369.35 for the fiscal year 2018-2019

Whereas, a motion was proposed during Congress 2019 to increase the membership fee due to the CFES facing a \$13,202.84 deficit for the upcoming fiscal year

Whereas, this motion has been tabled to President's Meeting 2019, a retreat occurring on September 26th to the 29th

Whereas, if passed, the new fee of \$0.62, assuming ~3300 students, the EUS would pay \$2145 for the fiscal year 2019-2020

Be it resolved that the Board of Governors provide their stance to the EUS VP External by September 14th in regards to endorsing the CFES membership fee increase.

Results: [For Secretary of Council only]

Appendix

Motion regarding Membership Fee for President's Meeting 2019

13-CFESPM-04 (51-CFESCongressAGM-25)

Title:	2019Congress_MembershipFees	
Mover:	National Executive	
Seconded:	N/A	
Language:	English	
Whereas:	The Proposed CFES Budget for 2019-2020 is facing a deficit of \$13,202.84, without considering the \$6,460.50 of contingency that in the case of this motion should be ignored, as this amount should come from the reserve funds.	
Whereas:	The above deficit will recur every fiscal year due to the following changes made to the CFES budgets: 1. Decreases in revenue: a. Service Fund (\$6000) b. Membership (the University of Toronto, \$2367.50) c. Total Loss: \$8,367.50 2. Increase in expenses: a. Audit (\$8500 +HST, \$9605) b. Congress Pre Week (\$3500) c. Total Increase: 13,105.00	
Whereas:	Members can not afford to both go up in Membership Fees and switch to a January due date in the same fiscal year.	
BIRT:	The CFES Policy Manual be amended as shown in the document entitled: PolicyManual_MembershipFees	
Amended As:	The membership fee for each school shall raise for the 2019 - 2020 year to \$0.62 per full-time engineering student reported in the Engineers Canada Annual Enrollment Report, with reconsideration on the new fee upon the completion of the audit by Congress 2020. The maximum reconsidered fee shall exceed no more than \$0.70 including the Consumer Price Index (CPI), upon the re-evaluation at Congress 2020. The fee should be in accordance with the cost of the audit unless other areas of expenses can be justified. Each member is responsible for ensuring its membership fee is paid in full and on time. Membership fees are due July 1st until the fiscal year 2020, with invoices sent out at the end of January. After fiscal year 2020, membership fees are due on January 2nd of previous fiscal year (Membership fees for 202X are due in Fiscal Year 202(x-1)). Invoices are issued on September 1st of the previous fiscal year. The following requirements are in effect regarding membership fees:	
What Problem Does the Motion Solve?	Consultation:	Alternative Actions Considered:
CFES continual deficit	Members and Officer Team	Use the reserve funds for the deficit or reduce the programs offered by the CFES.

Action Item(s):	Person(s) Responsible:	Timeline:
Amend the proposed budget for 2019-2020, amend the policy manual.	VPFA 2018/19, VPFA 2019/20, VPFA 2020/2021	By the fiscal year 2020
Time Implication:	Financial Implication:	Risks:
2.5 years	Allow for a long-term balanced budget.	Members might not be able to pay the increased membership fee.
Result:		
Discussion:		

Additional documents

[CFES Operating Budget 2019-2010](#)

[CFES Operating Budget 2018-2019](#)

[Minutes of Congress 2019 Session 2](#)

- 51-CFESCongressAGM-35 - Creation of a Corporate Working Group (page 6)
- 51-CFESCongressAGM-25 - 2019Congress_MembershipFees (p. 29-38)

[CFES Constitution](#)

[CFES Policy Manual](#)

- See section 12 for Finances and Membership