Dear Chair,

Please accept this letter as my formal notice of resignation from the Engineering Students’ Society as Vice President Finance, effective immediately.

Upon thoughtful reflection on the current state of the ESS, I have decided that ceasing my involvement is the most logical solution. I cannot, in good faith, continue to support an organisation that acts in a manner so disparate from its inaugural mission and so unsupportive of its volunteers and executives.

I am most grievously sorry for any undue harm I may have brought upon this society.

Respectfully yours,

Caitlin Guzzo
ESS VP External BoD Report – Wednesday, November 13, 2013
Last meeting: October 11, 2013

VP External’s Activities since Last Meeting
• Organized NCWIE Registration and Flights
• WESST Retreat and Olympics – October 17-2013
• Organized APEGA Mixer for November 14, 2013
• Moustache March Campaign
• Made Application Forms for NCWIE and Congress

VP External’s Activities for the Coming Month
• APEGA Mixer November 14, 2013
• WEC 2014 Registration
• Confirm Delegates for Congress
• UofA Student Mixer – January 23, 2014 Plan

VP External’s Regular Ongoing Activities
• Weekly Office Hours (Thursday and Friday)
• Monthly APEGA SLC Meeting
• Monthly BoD Meeting
VP External Relations

November 13, 2013

Board of Directors
Engineering Students’ Society of the University of
Alberta E6-050 ETLC
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Dear Board,

Effective immediately, I am resigning from the position of Vice President External Relations on the Engineering Students’ Society.

In continuing to act as a member of the Executive Committee, I have been increasingly frustrated by the lack of communication and clarity on what I am expected to do and how I can best execute on my responsibilities from afar. I would like to remain a part of the solution as much as possible, but under the current administration I am having difficulty doing so as it is becoming prohibitively difficult to keep up with student affairs given the issues of communication rampant in this society.

Please accept my sincere apologies for my absence during this term. Regards,

Alyssa Marshall
ESS VP Student Life Report:

BoD November 13th, 2014

UAEC:
Successful? Many junior and senior teams, Senior Design Winners “ADES” and Jr. was “The Communist Party”, all other teams won by default, need a debate team. Successful sponsorship with Knovel got us a VEX robotics kit with all the upgrades.

Head-shave:
November 22nd, 2013 ETLC Solarium, we have only raised 2,000 we want to at least raise 10,000. William Lau and some of the other SU executives are shaving their heads. We really need more participants to either raise money or do class-room shout outs. Layne Mitchell will MC from 10-1 and Alyse Huynh will speak at 11am.
Website: http://albertacancer.ca/uofaengineeringheadshave2013

Other business:

Resignation:
I will be resigning my position as VP Student Life effective November 13th, 2013. I will continue on planning and executing the Engineering Head-Shave. But relinquish my position to the next appropriate candidate.

The primary motivation for this resignation is mostly due dysfunction in the ESS. Poor attendance at events by the Sr. executive. Board games and mock tails: 2 executives and country crusade by 1 executive with some executives never coming to any events at all. -Only 1 other executive sober monitored. -Some executives never attended a single BoD or AGM. -Many of the basic functions of ESS were compromised by general apathy in the executive. -Most of the AVP’s were neither informed nor trained to properly run the front office. -Basic duties of executives were not carried out consistently enough to keep the ESS and office running smoothly.
Engineering Physics:

ETLC Locker Cutting
Eng Phys Meet-the-Prof and Lab Tours
Material Engineering:

TMS Annual Meeting: ESAF Application

What: TMS annual meeting, which includes technical program sessions, student activities and a materials exhibition

When: February 16-20th 2014

Where: San Diego, California

Why: Technical Division Student Poster Competition

• Three Students are presenting three separate posters on their plant design projects. This will help students develop technical presentation skills. The prize for the contest is $500. We can take this experience and come back and encourage other students in all departments to enter similar contest because these type of opportunities provide excellent technical skill showcase for our school. Also they provide a great networking opportunity.

Materials Bowl

• Game show style competition similar to (Are you Smarter than a First Year) that is a competition between student teams from different universities across Canada and the US. This would help present the U of A as a dominant school in materials engineering and help instill confidence in our students. This can help all engineering students because we are typically the ones who organize Are you Smarter than a First Year (or so I am told) and this could help us organize a better competition for geer week.

Career Forum
• Talks organized by the TMS young leaders committee that will help students in materials navigate their career options. This presents a great networking opportunity for students to help with their job prospects. This will be good for everyone because information about these companies can be brought back to students in materials not attending the conference. Also I feel that knowing about diverse career options for materials engineering will help recruit more people to materials and help stop the stereotype that there are no jobs for MatEs.

Dr. Henein

• Dr. Henein is a prominent professor in the materials engineering department who teaches powder fabrication and processing as well as materials plant design. This year he is becoming TMS president, we would like to have students attend the conference to show support for this great feat in his career.

Cost:

For four people with four people per room
$100 per person for conference fees

Airport shuttle included

Total: $7606.32 for 8 people

**Asking for:** conference fees + 50% hotel = $1628.68