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**ENGINEERING  
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# **2020/21 ESS FAMF Reallocation Proposal**

Students' Council - August 11, 2020

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**Engineering Students' Society  
(ESS) and Faculty Association  
Membership Fee (FAMF)  
Background**

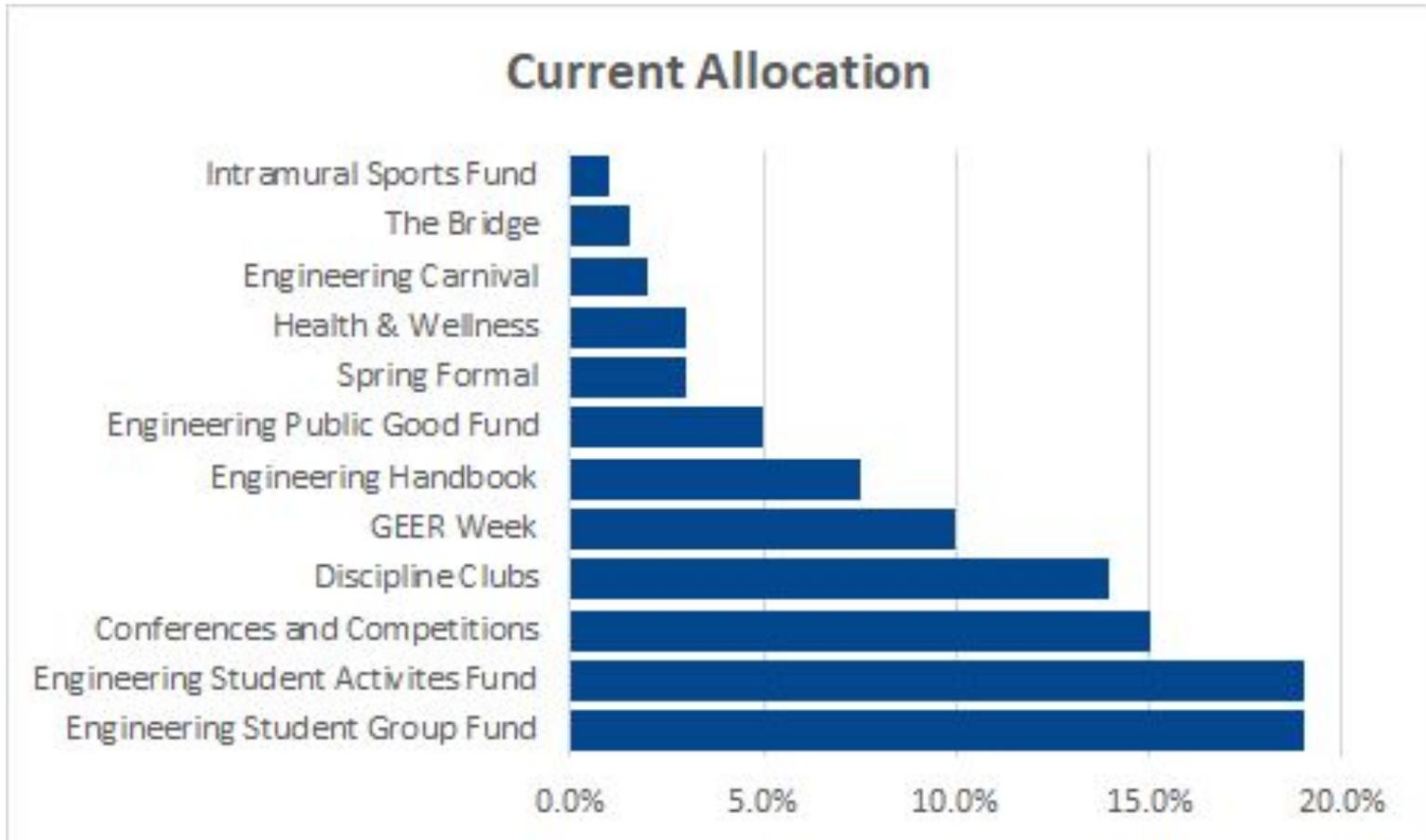
# ESS Mission Statement

*“To promote professional awareness among engineering students by encouraging a sense of unity and integrity, through the combined efforts of all engineers working together in both social and technical activities.”*

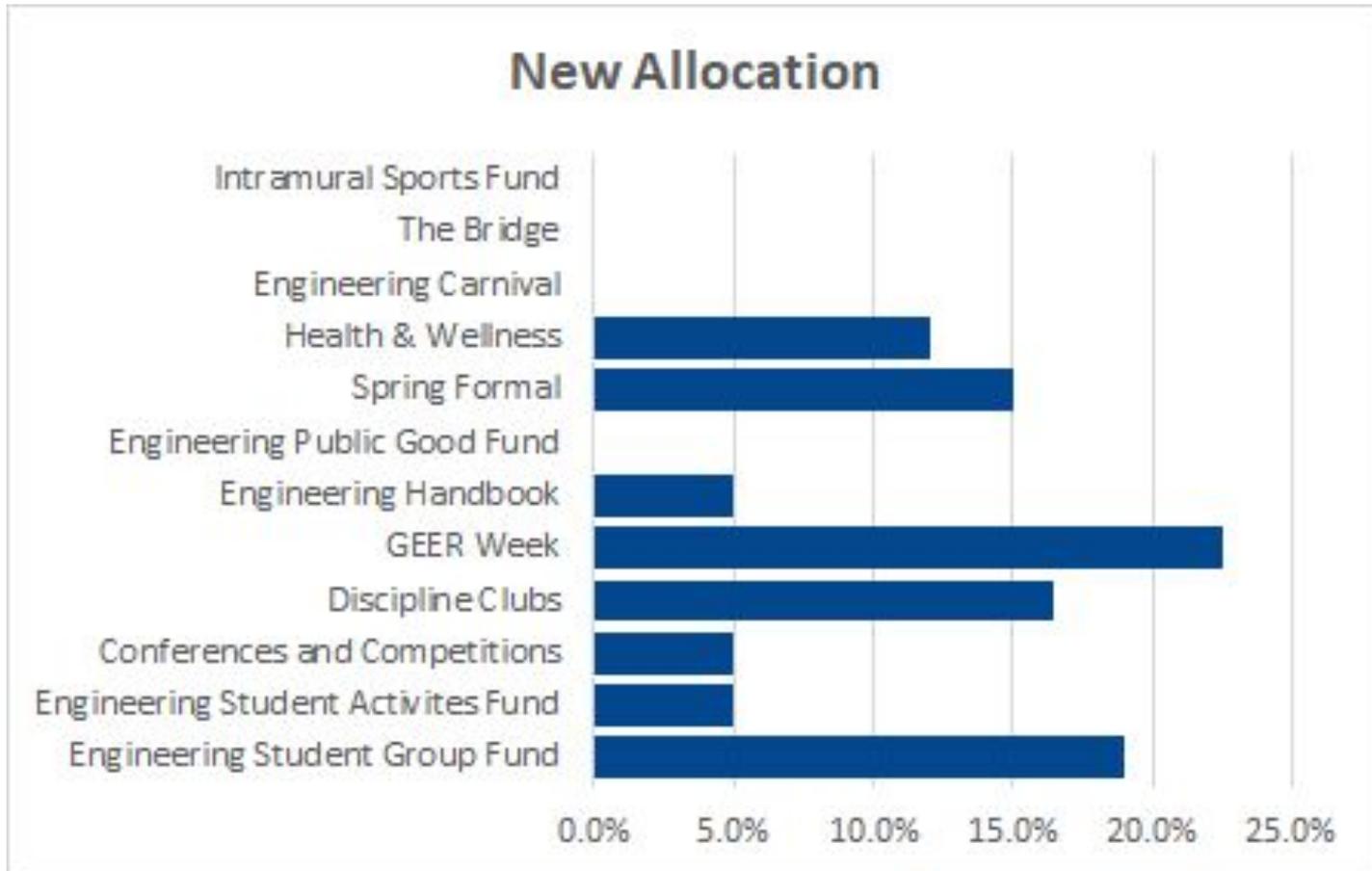
# 2018/19 ESS FAMF

- Purpose
  - Allow the ESS to offer a wide range of events and services that aim to fulfill our mission
- Amount
  - Full-time students pay \$10.00 per term.
  - Part-time students pay \$0.00 per term.
  - The ESS shall release reimbursements for students who provide written notification of their intent to opt-out of the FAMF.
- Lifetime
  - Two year period beginning Fall 2019
  - Collected until Winter Term 2021, inclusive.
  - Expiry on August 31, 2021.

# 2018/19 FAMF Allocation



# Proposed FAMF Re-allocation



# Why Reallocate?

- The Engineering Students' Society believes it is imperative that the Faculty Association Membership Fee is reallocated to best serve students during COVID-19
  - Reduce funding for conference and competition travel and accommodations
  - Increase funding towards health and wellness events and services
  - Increase funding for engineering student groups experiencing economic hardship
  - Cut funding to services that can be delivered at zero cost in a virtual format
  - Cut funding for in-person events and services that are no longer feasible
  - Increase funding for virtual community building initiatives

# Why Reallocate?

- In past, the ESS FAMF has been underutilized and/or was incorrectly allocated
  - FAMF allocations that were not used in the 2019/20 academic year
    - The Bridge
    - Spring Formal
    - Engineering Public Good Fund
    - Intramural Sports Fund
  - Each ESS Fund has a rollover equal to or greater than one year of funding

**Motion to the Engineering  
Students' Society Board of  
Directors (ESS BoD)**

# Motion to Engineering Students' Society Board of Directors

<b>Title:</b>	Motion for Joey Mathieson to propose the Engineering Students' Society 2020/21 Faculty Association Membership Fee Reallocations to the UASU Students' Council
<b>Mover:</b>	Joey Mathieson
<b>Secunder:</b>	Ethan Franz
<b>Goal:</b>	Reallocate FAMF distributions to better serve students during remote delivery
<b>Whereas:</b>	COVID-19 has impacted the Engineering Students' Society's ability to provide in-person services and events. Thus, the current FAMF allocations do not accurately represent the ESS' plans or budget for the 2020/21 academic year. Additionally, funds allocated to conference and competition travel will not be distributed while travel is unsafe. Therefore, the funds can be better used by student groups and to provide health and wellness services.
<b>BIRT:</b>	Joey Mathieson, on behalf of BOD, will present UASU Students' Council a proposal to reallocate the current FAMF distributions for the 2020/21 academic year.
<b>Result:</b>	All approved (25 votes total) Absent: Computer Engineering Club President, Materials Engineering Club President, Petroleum Engineering Club President (4 votes total)
<b>Discussion:</b>	Presentation by Joey Mathieson

# Motion Result

Motion for Joey Mathieson to propose the Engineering Students' Society 2020/21 Faculty Association Membership Fee Reallocations to the UASU Students' Council

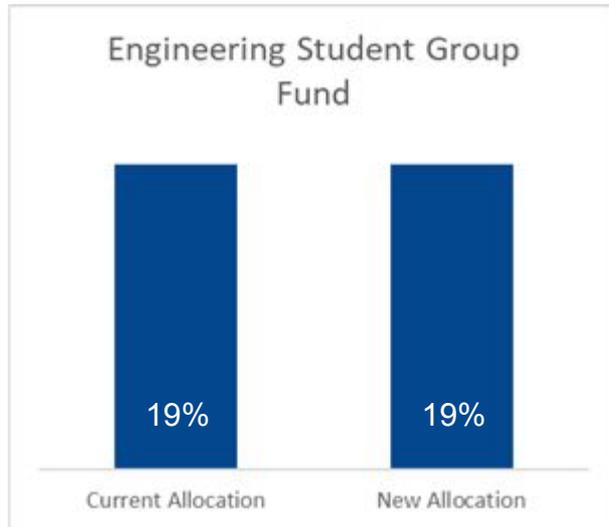
- All Approved (25 votes total)
- Absent: Computer Engineering Club President, Materials Engineering Club President, Petroleum Engineering Club President (4 votes total)

# Allocation Comparison

# Comparison Summary

Item	Current Allocation	New Allocation	Difference
Engineering Student Group Fund	19.0%	19.0%	0.0%
Engineering Student Activities Fund	19.0%	5.0%	-14.0%
Conferences and Competitions	15.0%	5.0%	-10.0%
Discipline Clubs	14.0%	16.5%	2.5%
GEER Week	10.0%	22.5%	12.5%
Engineering Handbook	7.5%	5.0%	-2.5%
Engineering Public Good Fund	5.0%	0.0%	-5.0%
Spring Formal	3.0%	15.0%	12.0%
Health & Wellness	3.0%	12.0%	9.0%
Engineering Carnival	2.0%	0.0%	-2.0%
The Bridge	1.5%	0.0%	-1.5%
Intramural Sports Fund	1.0%	0.0%	-1.0%

# Engineering Student Group Fund

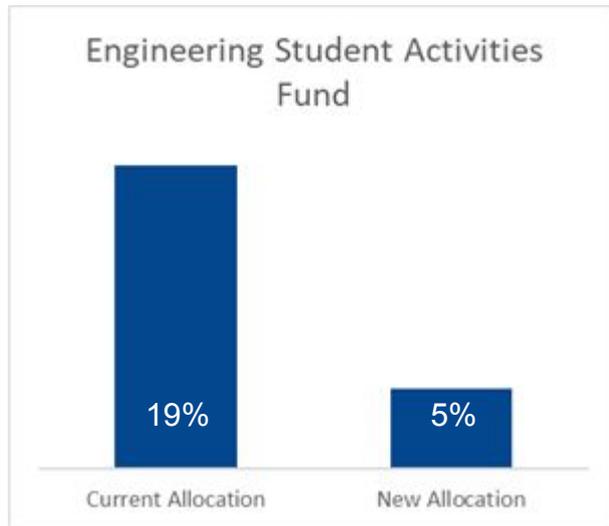


*“Non-discipline club engineering student groups contribute to student life in the Faculty of Engineering and are worthy of financial support through the Faculty Association Membership Fee”*

## Reallocation Justification (no change)

- Student groups are expected to have reduced sponsorship and revenue due to COVID-19
- Anticipated increase in number of applications and decrease in funding amount per application
- More than full rollover from last year

# Engineering Student Activities Fund



*“The Engineering Students’ Activities Fund (ESAF) is purposed to help engineering students attend seminars, conferences or sessions related to their engineering education”*

## Reallocation Justification (decrease)

- Has historically gone under-utilized
- The ESS will no longer be paying for travel and accommodation fees due to safety concerns
- Remote conferences and competitions are expected to have lower delegate fees
- More than full rollover from last year

# Conferences and Competitions

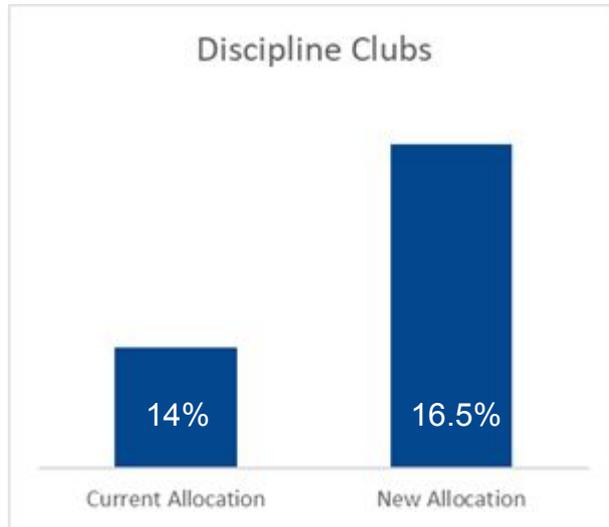


*To cover costs of sending students to engineering conferences and competitions, as well as host the annual University of Alberta Engineering Competition (UAEC)*

## Reallocation Justification (decrease)

- The ESS will no longer be paying for travel and accommodation fees due to safety concerns
- The UAEC will be hosted virtually at a reduced cost

# Discipline Clubs

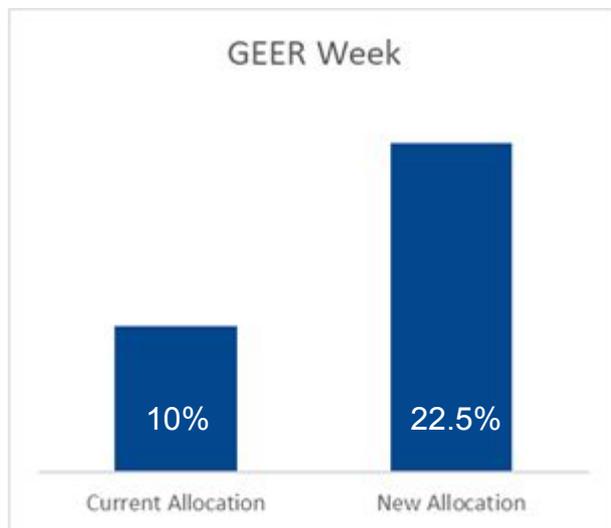


*To be allocated to engineering discipline clubs on a per-capita basis*

## Reallocation Justification (increase)

- Expected to have reduced sponsorship and revenue due to COVID-19
- Not eligible for the Engineering Student Groups Fund

# GEER Week

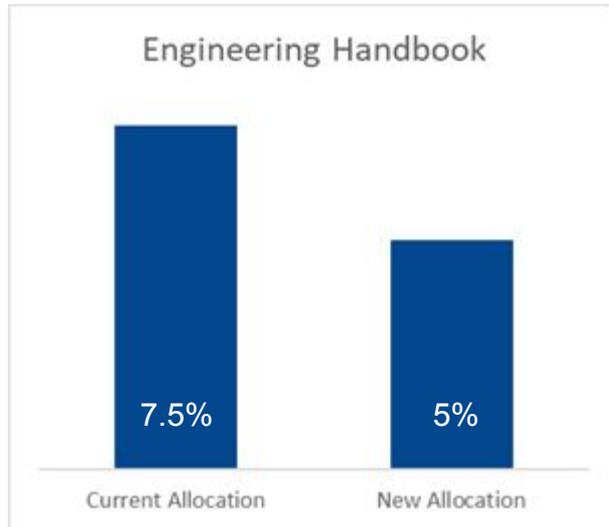


*To cover the costs of running GEER Week*

## Reallocation Justification (increase)

- The entire Student Life budget has be cut and consolidated into GEER Week
- All philanthropic events have been included into GEER Week
- Student advocacy efforts to be included into GEER Week
- Providing events for free to reduce emphasis on revenue and increase focus on community building
- Year long event

# Engineering Handbook

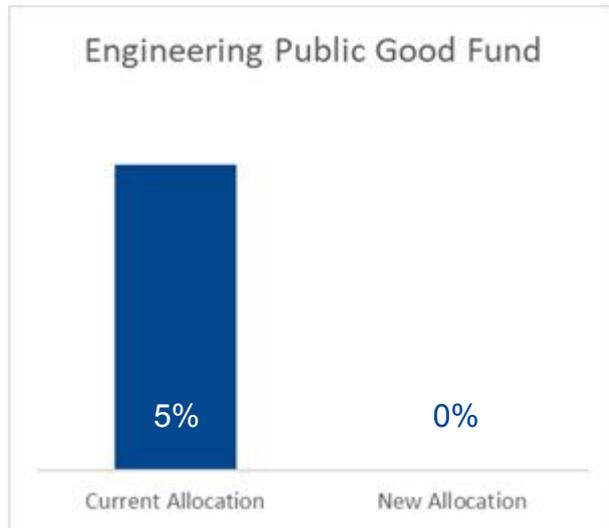


*To cover the costs of printing engineering handbooks*

## Reallocation Justification (increase)

- Paid for in-part by sponsorship

# Engineering Public Good Fund

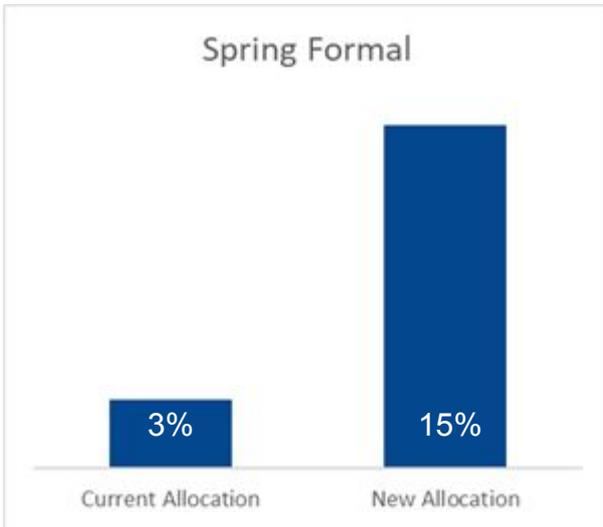


*“Student life in the Faculty of Engineering is driven by the entire undergraduate engineering population, and any student who believes they can better the day to day experience of their degree should have a process by which to realize their vision. The Engineering Public Good Fund (EPGF) is purposed to improve the quality of life of engineering students.”*

## Reallocation Justification (decrease)

- Has not been used once
- Full rollover from last year
- Unlikely that students will have access to campus for a public good project

# Spring Formal

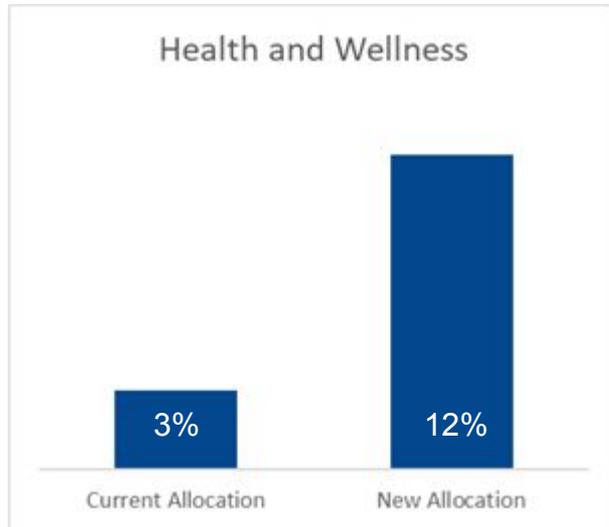


*To cover the costs of Spring Formal*

## Reallocation Justification (increase)

- To replace the GEER Week Engineering Banquet
- Working with the Faculty of Engineering and Student Event Risk Management to host Spring Formal in-person in April 2021

# Health and Wellness

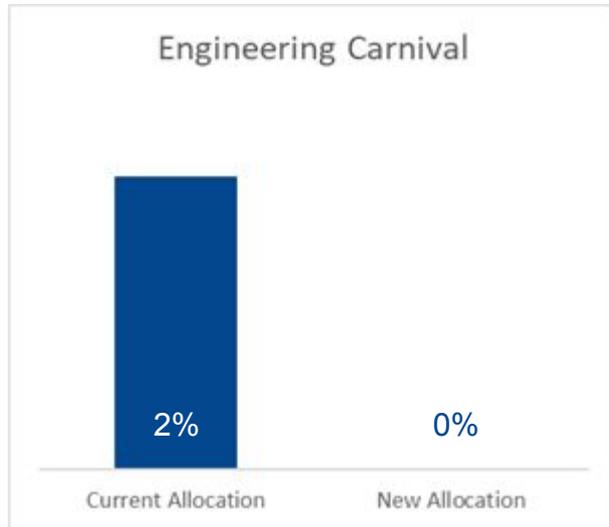


*To cover the cost of health and wellness services*

## Reallocation Justification (increase)

- Health and Wellness events and services are predated during COVID-19 and remote delivery

# Engineering Carnival

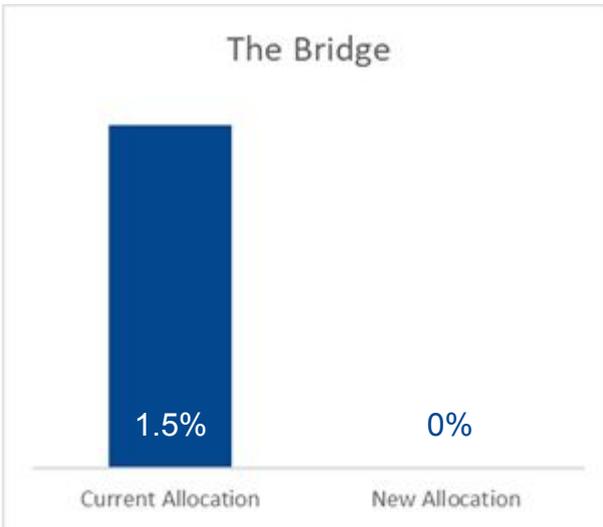


*To cover the costs of the Engineering Carnival*

## Reallocation Justification (decrease)

- 2020 Engineering Carnival to be hosted in a virtual format with zero cost

# The Bridge

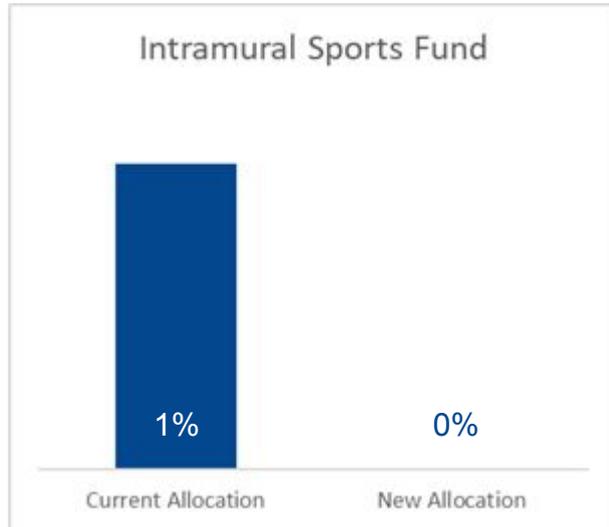


*To cover the printing and distribution of the Bridge publication*

## Reallocation Justification (decrease)

- The Bridge to be published exclusively online with zero cost

# Intramural Sports Fund



*To distribute to engineering students for participation in intramural sports*

## Reallocation Justification (decrease)

- Has been used one (1) time in previous years
- The ESS will be providing socially distanced sporting events in conjunction with Campus and Community Recreation when possible
- Full rollover from last year

# FAMF Projections

# Projection - Current Allocations

AVG FAMF (\$)	Students	Total / Term (\$)	Total / Year (\$)
8.06	4000	32224.99115	64449.9823

- Numbers projected using assumption of 4000 students enrolled
- Historically, the ESS has received on average \$8.06/student
  - Lower than \$10 due to co-op students, part-time students, and opt-outs.

## Account Distributions

Allocation	Percent	Amount / Term	Amount / Year
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$32,224.99</b>	<b>\$64,449.98</b>
Discipline Clubs	14.00%	\$4,511.50	\$9,023.00
ESS Account	43.00%	\$13,856.75	\$27,713.49
Fund Account	43.00%	\$13,856.75	\$27,713.49

## ESS Funding Account

ESS Fund Account (Year)	Rollover	Current	Total
Engineering Student Group Fund	16118	\$12,245.50	<b>\$28,363.50</b>
Engineering Student Activities Fund	16118	\$12,245.50	<b>\$28,363.50</b>
Engineering Public Good Fund	4241	\$3,222.50	<b>\$7,463.50</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>36477</b>	<b>\$27,713.49</b>	<b>\$64,190.49</b>

# Projection - New Allocations

AVG FAMF (\$)	Students	Total / Term (\$)	Total / Year (\$)
8.06	4000	32224.99115	64449.9823

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## Account Distributions

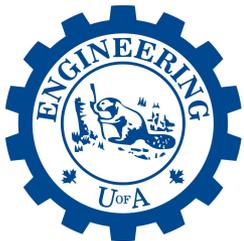
Allocation	Percent	Amount / Term	Amount / Year
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$32,224.99</b>	<b>\$64,449.98</b>
Discipline Clubs	16.50%	\$5,317.12	\$10,634.25
ESS Account	59.50%	\$19,173.87	\$38,347.74
Fund Account	24.00%	\$7,734.00	\$15,468.00

## ESS Funding Account

ESS Fund Account (Year)	Rollover	Current	Total
Engineering Student Group Fund	16118	\$12,245.50	<b>\$28,363.50</b>
Engineering Student Activities Fund	16118	\$3,222.50	<b>\$19,340.50</b>
Engineering Public Good Fund	4241	\$0.00	<b>\$4,241.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>36477</b>	<b>\$15,468.00</b>	<b>\$51,945.00</b>

# Summary

- Reallocate the ESS' FAMF to better use funds in the 2020/21 Academic Year
  - Increase financial support for student groups
  - Increase funding for online community building, as well as health & wellness resources
  - Reduce funding for student travel and accommodations
  - Remove funding from services that can be provided to students at zero cost
  - Ensure membership fees get used and are not under utilized



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