Carleton University FIRST Alumni & Mentoring Association

## **Fall General Meeting**

Date: Wednesday November 20th, 2019 Time: 7PM - 9:30PM Location: Mackenzie Building, Room ME 3190 3 non-executive members in attendance

- 1. Call Meeting to Order
- 2. Welcome & Opening Remarks
- 3. Items for Discussion
  - a. Mid-Year Update
    - i. Reports from Executives
      - 1. President
        - a. Has been helping overall
        - b. Assisted with Directorship interviews
        - c. Large-scale planning for FRC event coming up. FIRST Canada has been looking at
      - 2. Vice President Internal
        - a.
      - 3. Vice President External
        - FLL Director was hired in May, since FLL kickoff was being hosted at Carleton and would require more work.
        - b. FLL Kickoff happened last week of September.
          Overall went well have taken suggestions on how it can be improved next year.
        - c. FLL Tournament has been moved to Carleton. Sayf has been taking care of the logistics for the event and co-ordinating with Candice. Looking for volunteers still! Madeleine designed the volunteer's shirts for the FLL Tournament.
        - Michael has been assisting as Director of the FRC Kickoff. Some FRC teams have folded, but otherwise event is moving along.

- 4. Vice President Finance
  - a. Finances are based on event budgets, funding is directly given according to amounts paid.
  - b. Draft Financial Policy and Budget have been created to guide how spending will occur in future.
  - c. Both documents are open for input now.
- 5. Executive-at-Large
  - a. Robin not in attendance due to illness, Alex summarizing
  - b. Robin has been supporting remotely with tasks that have come up.
- ii. Feedback from Members
  - Social media accounts should be utilized more effectively. Posts should be made outside of newsletters.
- b. Goals and Planning for Rest of Year
  - i. FLL Mentoring
    - Have not had FLL teams reach out for assistance. CU FIRST may want to consider reaching out to teams pro-actively.
  - ii. 2019 Ottawa FLL Tournament
    - 1. Still recruiting volunteers.
    - 2. Have reached out to Kingston, FRC teams for assistance.
    - 3. Conference services budget for event is highly inflated based on C&S recommendations.
  - iii. 2020 Ottawa FRC Kickoff
    - Catering has taken up the offer to provide food. CU FIRST will reduce cost by having exec bring food from the cafeteria.
    - 2. Rental of panel van will be done through either rental service or Home Depot.
  - iv. 2020 Ottawa FRC District Event
    - 1. Most slots are filled, additional teams are planned to attend.

- v. FRC Mentoring
- vi. FRC Tournaments
- 4. Adjournment