



MEMO

TO: Members of the Student Representative Assembly
FROM: Aniruddh Arora, Member of SRA Engineering
SUBJECT: Engineers Without Borders Annual Fee Referendum
DATE: 8th November 2022

Dear SRA,

After thoroughly discussing the Engineers Without Borders's budget, presentation, and answers with the Student Representative Assembly, I would like to recommend approving sending EWB to referendum for the year 2022-2023 for the following reasons:

- **The EWB website:**
The EWB website has not been updated for the 2022-2023 school year and no funding has been allocated towards outreach and maintaining the website.
- **The Fellowship Program:**
Considering that the group caters to the interests of only a specific portion of the McMaster Community, allocating \$17,000 towards the fellowship program which benefits only 2 students is concerning. A better breakdown of this funding would clarify its impact on the McMaster Community and whether any changes would be preferable.
- **Overestimation of the MSU funding:**
The projected funding in the budget is 15k, it should be closer to 11k. It was determined with the help of budgets that the group's projected funding from the MSU was overestimated, which may hinder some of the group's ideas.

I would recommend the group to look for more sources of funding so that they can run their operations more efficiently. I do not think that the group has managed its resources appropriately. Adjustments to the budget would allow for better coverage of all their goals.

Best,

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