

# Student Association of George Brown College

## Board Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Monday, October 18, 2021

**Time:** 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

**Location:** Zoom

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<b>Board of Directors – Voting Members</b>	
<b>Executive Members:</b>	
Director of Communications and Internal	Urvish Patel
Director of Operations	Sagar Sharma
Director of Education & Equity	Sri Krishna Rajan
Director of Student Experience	Bharavi Desai
<b>Educational Centre Representatives:</b>	
Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative	Shehzad Contractor
Business Representative	Pallavi Jatian
Community Services and Early Childhood Representative	Sarah Anderson
Construction and Engineering Representative	Tasneem Khan
Health Science Representative, including School of Nursing	Dhwani Bhalavat
Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative	Dhwani Panchal
Preparatory and Liberal Studies Representative	<b>Vacant</b>
<b>Non-Voting Member:</b>	
General Manager	Rosalyn Miller
<b>Resources:</b>	
Chair	Hildah Otieno
Equity & Advocacy Manager	Michelle Pettis
Operations Manager	Wafa Ulliyan
George Brown College Representative	Joe Stapleton
Internal Coordinator (Minute Taker)	Jessica Pasion
<b>Guests:</b>	
The Dialog	Claire Root
Sr. Health Benefits Coordinator	Yukiko Ito
INTEGRATIS Group	Mike McCourt
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### 1. Roll Call:

<b>Board of Directors: Voting Members</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Regrets</b>
<b>Executive Members:</b>			
<i>Director of Communications and Internal</i>	LOA		
<i>Director of Operations</i>	✓		
<i>Director of Student Experience</i>	✓		
<i>Director of Education &amp; Equity</i>	✓		
<b>Educational Centre Representatives:</b>			
<i>Arts, Design, and Information Technology Representative</i>	✓		
<i>Business Representative</i>	✓		
<i>Community Services and Early Childhood Representative</i>	LOA		
<i>Construction and Engineering Representative</i>	✓		
<i>Health Science Representative</i>	✓		
<i>Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative</i>	✓		
<i>Preparatory and Liberal Studies Representative</i>	Vacant		
<b>Non-Voting Member</b>			
<i>General Manager</i>	✓		
<b>Guests</b>			
<i>Equity &amp; Advocacy Manager</i>	✓		
<i>Operations Manager</i>			✓
<i>George Brown College Representative</i>	✓		
<i>Internal Coordinator</i>	✓		
<i>Publication and Communication Coordinator (The Dialog)</i>	✓		
<i>Sr. Health Benefits Coordinator</i>	✓		
<i>INTEGRATIS Group</i>	✓		

### **Land Recognition Statement:**

*I would like to take a moment before we continue to recognize that as many of us are settlers on this land, it is our collective responsibility to pay respect and recognize that this land is the traditional territory of the Mississauga's of the Credit First Nation and that we are here because this land was occupied. In recognition that this space occupies colonized First Nation territories, and out of respect for the rights of Indigenous people, it is our collective responsibility to honour, protect and sustain this land.*

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### **2. Call to Order:**

**Time:** 6:07PM

### **3. Approval of the Agenda:**

**Be it resolved** that the Board of Directors accept the agenda as presented with the amendments if any.

**Moved by:** Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Education & Equity

**Seconded by:** Dhvani Panchal, Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative

**Discussion:** *Any amendments to the agenda should be made at this time.*

**Vote:** Carries

### **4. Approval of Minutes**

**Whereas** the meeting minutes from the September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021, Board meeting requires approval (APPENDIX A)

**Be it resolved** that the Board of Directors accept the meeting minutes of September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021, Board meeting as presented with the amendments if any.

**Moved by:** Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Education & Equity

**Seconded by:** Shehzad Contractor, Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative

**Discussion:** *Any amendments to the meeting minutes should be made at this time.*

**Vote:** Carries

### **5. Limitation of Speakers**

**Be it resolved** that all discussions and/or debates be limited to three (3) speakers for and three (3) speakers against each individual motion.

**Moved by:** Bharavi Desai, Director of Student Experience

**Seconded by:** Dhvani Bhalavat, Health Science Representative, including school of Nursing

**Discussion:** None

**Vote:** Carries

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### 6. Speaking Time

**Be it resolved** that the Board of Directors, resource persons and guests respect Robert's Rules of Order and, when invited to speak by the Chair, limit their speaking time to 3 minutes per item.

**Moved by:** Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Education & Equity

**Seconded by:** Tasneem Khan, Construction and Engineering Representative

**Discussion:** None

**Vote:** Carries

### 7. Declaration of Conflict

At this time members are required to come forward to disclose any conflicts of interest they may have, either work related, personal relationships, etc.

- Dhvani Bhalavat – works part-time at the Accessible Learning Services

### 8. Student Health Benefits Plan RFP Results

Presented by Mike McCourt from INTEGRATIS Group

**Whereas** the Student Association entered request for proposal for the student health plan program which was led by the INTEGRATIS Group

**Whereas** the Board of Directors and Sr. Management staff attended presentation and reviewed the proposals

**Whereas** the current provider presented the best student plan with the most competitive rate and represents the majority of colleges across Ontario

**Be it resolved** that the Board of Directors accepts the ACL Student Benefits Proposal (We Speak Student) submitted by People Corporation operating as (“o/a”) [ACL Student Benefits] as the health and dental insurance provider for full-time international and domestic George Brown College students, for the effective as of September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.

**\*\* Procedural motion** to go in-camera without The Dialog

**Moved by:** Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Education & Equity

**Seconded by:** Bharavi Desai, Director of Student Experience

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**Discussion:** None

**Vote:** Carries

**Time:** 6:14PM

**\*\* Procedural motion** to go out of camera

**Moved by:** Shehzad Contractor, Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative

**Seconded by:** Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Education & Equity

**Discussion:** None

**Vote:** Carries

**Time:** 6:37PM

**Moved by:** Sagar Sharma, Director of Operation

**Seconded by:** Dhvani Panchal, Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative

**Discussion:** None

**Vote:** Carries

### **9. By-law 5 – Declaration of Vacancies**

Presented by Director of Education & Equity and General Manager in lieu of Director of Communications and Internal

Deemed Vacancy – Director

1. The position of Director shall be deemed vacant if:

1. The Director dies, ceases to meet the eligibility and other mandatory requirements set out in By-Law 3, or resigns in writing to the Director Communications and Internal, or, in the case of the Director Communications and Internal, to the General Manager;

Sarah Anderson

- Have not been able to reach Sarah via phone or email after last communication regarding leave of absence
- No longer on a leave of absence as she does not qualify
- GBC registration has confirmed her status as PT Con-ed student
- GBC status does not qualify for her to be a part of the board as per By-laws
- Position is now deemed vacant

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Pallavi Jatian

- GBC registration has confirmed her status as a graduate
- Status does not qualify for her to be a part of the board as per By-laws
- Position is now deemed vacant
- Wish and thank Pallavi for all her contributions and work

### **10. GBC Foundation Award Updates**

Presentation by Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Education & Equity (APPENDIX B)

**Motion to** accept the Student Association Awards 2021-2022 report as presented

**Moved by:** Shehzad Contractor, Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative

**Seconded by:** Tasneem Khan, Construction and Engineering Representative

**Discussion:** None

**Vote:** Carries

### **11. Food Court Social**

Presentation by Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Education & Equity and General Manager

Summary – fundraiser for Students with mental health, augmented education program. SA will find a way to support and collaborate with the upcoming event

### **12. CFS Updates**

By Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Education & Equity

**Whereas** the Student Association has adopted the SDG Accord with 17 goals identified, by the United Nations Members in 2015

**Whereas** the Sustainable Development Goals Accord (SDG Accord) is a University and College sector collective response to the global goals with the purpose of inspiring, celebrating, and advancing the critical role that education has in delivering on the SDG and its value; and is a commitment learning institutions are making to one another to do more to deliver the goals.

**Whereas** the SDG Accord calls on the world's universities and colleges to embed the Sustainable Development Goals into education, research, leadership, operations, administration, and engagement activities.

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**Whereas** the CFS campaigns on issues that align with the 17 Sustainable Development Goals, for example; quality education, climate action, gender equality (gender-based discrimination), clean water, decent work, etc.

**Be it resolved** that the Student Association of George Brown College and Board of Directors delegates bring forward a motion requesting the adoption of the SDG Accord to the members of the Canadian Federation of Students at the upcoming National General Meeting in November 2021 members meeting.

**Be it further resolved** that members of local 92, encourage participation and advocate in support of the SDG Accord at the upcoming National General Meeting.

**Moved By:** Dhvani Panchal, Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative

**Seconded by:** Bharavi Desai, Director of Student Experience

**Discussion:** clarification and explanation by Sri Krishna Rajan

**Vote:** Carries

### **13. Executive Committee Report August & September 2021**

Presented by Sagar Sharma, Director of Operations (APPENDIX C)

### **14. Board Report August & September 2021**

Presented by Bharavi Desai, Director of Student Experience (APPENDIX D)

### **15. Other Business**

- Annual General Meeting

### **16. Adjournment**

**Whereas** the Board of Director meeting was scheduled till 8:00 PM

**Be it resolved** that the Board of Director meeting is adjourned at 7:10PM

**Moved by:** Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Education & Equity

**Seconded by:** Bharavi Desai, Director of Student Experience

**Discussion:** None

**Vote:** Carries

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