

Student Association of George Brown College

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, August 15, 2022

Time: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Location: Casa Loma Campus/ Online - Zoom Meeting

Board of Directors – Voting Members	
Executive Members:	
Director of Communications and Internal	Sri Krishna Rajan
Director of Operations	Dhwani Bhalavat
Director of Education & Equity	Angeline Nijmeh
Director of Student Experience	Simran Malhotra
Educational Centre Representatives:	
Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative	Mehak Khanna
Business Representative	Arlinda Sokoli
Community Services and Early Childhood Representative	Luke Bowden
Construction and Engineering Representative	Nirmala Singh
Health Science Representative, including school of Nursing	Shriya Gupte
Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative	Ashmeet Kaur
Preparatory and Liberal Studies Representative	Vacant
Non-Voting Member:	
General Manager	Rosalyn Miller
Resources:	
Chair	Sami Pritchard
Equity & Advocacy Manager	Michelle Pettis
George Brown College Representative	Melissa Gallo
Minute Taker	Jessica Pasion
Guests:	
Publications & Communications Coordinator	Sean Heeger
Vice President, Advancement, George	Cindy Gouveia
Development Officer, Donor Relations, Fundraising & Events	Maaya Kaul
Director of Advancement & Alumni Engagement	Krisztina Arany
Registrar & AVP, Strategic Enrolment	Janene Christiansen
Community Care Coordinator	Charlene Holmes

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1. Roll Call:

Board of Directors: Voting Members	Present	Absent	Regrets
Executive Members:			
<i>Director of Communications and Internal</i>	✓		
<i>Director of Operations</i>	✓		
<i>Director of Student Experience</i>	✓		
<i>Director of Education & Equity</i>			✓
Educational Centre Representatives:			
<i>Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative</i>	✓		
<i>Business Representative</i>			✓
<i>Community Services and Early Childhood Representative</i>	✓		
<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		
Non-Voting Member			
<i>General Manager</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 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 honor, protect and sustain this land.

2. Call to Order:

Time: 2:16PM

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 Communications and Internal

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Seconded by: Nirmala Singh, Construction and Engineering Representative

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

Motion to add a new item #11, Elections Committee

Moved by: Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Mehak Khanna, Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative

Discussion: None

Vote: Carries

Vote: Carries

4. 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: Dhvani Bhalavat, Director of Operations

Seconded by: Ashmeet Kaur, Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative

Discussion: None

Vote: Carries

5. 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: Dhvani Bhalavat, Director of Operations

Seconded by: Mehak Khanna, Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative

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6. Approval of Minutes

Whereas the meeting minutes from the July 18, 2022 Board meeting requires approval.

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors accept the meeting minutes of July 18, 2022 (Appendix A) Board meeting as presented with the amendments if any.

Moved by: Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Simran Malhotra, Director of Student Experience

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

- Luke Bowden, Community Services and Early Childhood Representative had some concerns about the previous minutes.

Motion to amend the first statement to state, "the Director of Community Services and Early Childhood Representative expressed concerns about the HR matters being discussed out of camera the director expressed importance of keeping minutes particularly points of opposition and director shared instances where the minutes might be reviewed such as in the case of an audit of Canada Revenue Services "

Moved by: Luke Bowden, Community Services and Early Childhood Representative

Seconded by: Mehak Khanna, Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative

Discussion: None

Vote: Carries

Motion to amend the amend the first sentence be edited to read that "the Community Services and Early Childhood Representative raised the importance of ensuring HR matters are not discussed out of camera" and that a line be added at the end that reads "all points raised by the Director were made about general process"

Moved by: Luke Bowden, Community Services and Early Childhood Representative

Seconded by: Nirmala Singh, Construction and Engineering Representative

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Discussion: None

Vote: Carries

Vote: Carries

7. Declaration of Conflict

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

8. Student Association Advancement Fund

by Cindy Gouveia, Vice President, Advancement, (APPENDIX B) for presentation

Cindy Gouveia along with colleague, Director of Advancement & Alumni Engagement Krisztina Arany spoke about the Student Association Advancement Fund. What opportunities of collaboration exists and the proposed ask of the Student Association Advancement Fund be valued at \$250,000 and distributed over 2 years (\$125,000 per year).

9. Fall 2022 registration Updates

by Janene Christiansen, Registrar & AVP, Strategic Enrollment

Janene Christiansen, Registrar & AVP, Strategic Enrollment spoke of her career experience and position. Presentation reviews Fall enrollment (new & returning students) as of August 8, 2022 and launch of campaign to students coming on campus.

10. Operations Committee

A. Financial Statements, period ending July 31, 2022

Presented by Dhvani Bhalavat, Director of Operations, (APPENDIX C)

Whereas the Operations Committee is required to review the financial statements on a bi-monthly basis.

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors accept the unaudited financial statements for the period ending July 31, 2022, as presented.

Moved by: Dhvani Bhalavat, Director of Operations

Seconded by: Simran Malhotra, Director of Student Experience

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Discussion:

- Luke Bowden, Community Services and Early Childhood Representative inquires a particular line and expresses their concerns that the board may require training or additional training may be needed in order to assess profit and loss budgeting sheets.

Vote: Carries,

Oppose: Luke Bowden, Community Services and Early Childhood Representative

B. Committee Report

Presented by Dhwani Bhalavat, Director of Operations, (APPENDIX D)

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors accepts the Operations Committee report as presented.

Moved by: Dhwani Bhalavat, Director of Operations

Seconded by: Luke Bowden, Community Services and Early Childhood Representative

Discussion: Highlights of report; tenants, GBC Foundation & audit

Vote: Carries

11. A. Elections Committee

Whereas the Bylaw requires election for positions ending December 31st, April 30th and for any vacant positions

Whereas the election committee requires two members from the board for the election committee, with no intention to participate in the upcoming elections

Whereas the CRO has indicated that the SA will need to hold a by-election in the fall.

Whereas the Election Committee currently has vacant seats.

Be it resolved the chair conducts a call for nominations for the Election Committee immediately following this motion's passing

Be it further resolved that the chair conducts a vote should more than 2 people put forward their names to join the Elections Committee to fill the 2 vacant seats.

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Seconded by: Simran Malhotra, Director of Student Experience

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Discussion: None

Vote: Carries

B. Call for Nominations

Be it resolved that the following two members elected at Caucus is named representatives of the Election Committee for the 2022- 2023 term.

Moved by: Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Dhvani Bhalavat, Director of Operations

Discussion: any individual that is on the committee can not run in the upcoming elections.

Motion to amend the Be it resolved that the following two members, Ashmeet Kaur and Nirmala Singh, are named the representatives of the Election Committee for the 2022- 2023 term.

Moved by: Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Simran Malhotra, Director of Student Experience

Discussion: None

Vote: Carries

Vote: Carries

12. Health Plan Committee Report

Presented by Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Communications and Internal (Appendix E)

- Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Communications and Internal presents the Health Plan report and highlighting main areas of focus.

13. Marketing and Communications Committee Report

Presented by Simran Malhotra, Director of Student Experience (Appendix F)

- Simran Malhotra, Director of Student Experience presents the Marketing and Communication committee and highlighting main areas of focus.
- Mehak Khanna, Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative, recommends having BOD participates in

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14. Executive Committee Report

Presented Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Communications and Internal (Appendix G)

- Key areas of focus that Sri Krishna Raja made; the dates of meetings – agenda, media social handles

****Meeting Extension**

Motion to extend the meeting. Be it resolved that the meeting will be extended to 4:15PM

Moved by: Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Communications and Internal
Seconded by: Luke Bowden, Community Services and Early Childhood Representative

Discussion: more items to cover and meeting scheduled to end at 4pm.

Vote: Carries

15. Board Report

Presented by Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Communications and Internal and Director of Operations (Appendix H)

- Director of Communications and Internal spoke about the following highlights; interviews, class talks and already provided the report.
- Director of Operations spoke about BOD working on their class talks together

16. CCC/ Equity Groups/ Services & Offerings / Campaigns

Presented by Charlene Holmes, Community Care Coordinator

The Community Care Coordinator, Charlene Holmes shared information to the Board of Directors about the Community Care Centre – what services and upcoming programs, events and workshops will be coming up. Encouraged board members, after the meeting to check out the Community Cafes Centre and learn more about constituency groups the CCC fully supports.

17. Other Business

- Educational Centre Updates by BOD Representatives
 - Mehak Khanna, Arts, Design and Information Technology
 - Sent emails out to professors to connect with students

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- Students want more clarity on co-sponsorship and support staff
- Some services on the website needs updating, ex. SNAP
- Request to update class talk presentation

- Luke Bowden, Community Services and Early Childhood Representative
 - Has not done any class talks
 - Have done formal and informal conversations with professors and students
 - Hope to speak to 1st year students regarding succession planning

- Shriya Gupte, Health Science Representative, including school of Nursing
 - Sent out many emails for class talks
 - Professors have confirmed dates and students are not aware and unsure what is accessible – also nervous to come on campus

- Ashmeet Kaur, Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative
 - Finished their class-talks
 - Many students unsure of health plan services

- Nirmala Singh, Construction and Engineering Representative
 - No class-talks but working on in person with Angie
 - Invited to a Deans meeting within their program department

****Meeting Extension**

Motion to extend the meeting. Be it resolved that the meeting will be extended to 4:21PM

Moved by: Sri Krishna Rajan, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Luke Bowden, Community Services and Early Childhood

Discussion: more items to cover and meeting scheduled to end at 4pm.

Vote: Carries

- SUDS conference
- Start GBC Summer Camp
- Health Science Representative leave of absence

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18. **Adjournment**

Whereas the Board Meeting was scheduled till **4:00 PM**

Be it resolved that the Board Meeting is adjourned at 4:18PM

Moved by: Dhvani Bhalavat, Director of Operations

Seconded by: Simran Malhotra, Director of Student Experience

Discussion: None

Vote: Carries