

Motion to Amend By-Laws

To: Director of Communications and Internal

From: Drishti Shahi (GBC student ID [REDACTED])

Date: 15 September 2024

Subject: Motion to Amend By-Laws for Inclusion in the AGM Agenda

We, the undersigned members of the Student Association of George Brown College, propose the following motion for consideration at the upcoming Annual General Meeting of 2024:

Motion:

Whereas the current By-Laws of the Student Association of George Brown College include certain eligibility requirements, term limits, and course load restrictions for executive positions;

Whereas it is deemed appropriate to remove these requirements to enhance inclusivity, flexibility, and participation in the nomination and election processes for the Board of Directors;

Be it resolved that:

1. **By-Law 3, Section 2** of the Constitution and By-Laws, which currently states:
"(2) In addition to the eligibility requirements in section 1(1) of this By-Law, the Director of Communications and Internal, the Director of Operations, and any candidate seeking a nomination for either position shall also meet the following eligibility requirements:
 - a. Have at least a 3.0 grade point average during their most recent academic term and be in good academic standing for their program;
 - b. Have submitted a letter of reference from a professor, employer or other supervisor confirming the candidate's critical thinking and leadership skills. This criteria is met upon submission of the letter of reference, and the Chief Returning Officer shall not have the authority to reject a nomination based on the contents of the letter;
 - c. If the director or candidate was an employee of the Student Association, not have discipline in the form of a written warning, suspension without pay, or termination for cause on file during the previous three years;
 - d. Not have been disqualified as a candidate in the election during the previous three years;
 - e. Not have been removed from the Board, suspended without pay, or impeached in accordance with the By-Laws within the previous three years; and
 - f. The Chief Returning Officer in consultation with the Elections Committee shall prepare a session on the Board's roles and responsibilities prior to the start of nominations, and shall prepare a written summary of the session. In order to have their nominations certified, all candidates must, prior to certification, have either (i) attended the session; or (ii) reviewed the written summary of the session, and have passed a test administered

by the Chief Returning Officer or a Deputy Returning Officer regarding the board roles and responsibilities with a focus on the role of the Director of Operations and Director of Communications and Internal."

be deleted in its entirety.

2. **By-Law 12, Section 4(b)** which currently states:

"An individual member may hold a position on the executive for a maximum of two terms within a five-year period to commence upon the last day of their second term."

be deleted in its entirety.

3. **By-Law 3, Section 7: Course Load Limit - Executive** which currently states:

"7. a) The Director Communications and Internal and Director Operations shall be enrolled in no more than a maximum of fifty percent of the normal course load for a student enrolled in their program during the term of office.

b) The Director of Education & Equity and Director of Student Experience shall not take more than the normal full-time course load for their program. Extra courses are not allowed to be taken if stated otherwise."

be deleted in its entirety.

Effective Date: This amendment shall take effect immediately upon its approval at the Annual General Meeting.

Rationale:

This motion seeks to remove specific eligibility requirements, term limits, and course load restrictions that may limit the opportunity for members to serve in executive roles within the Student Association. Removing these provisions will provide a more inclusive environment, allowing a broader range of candidates to participate in the governance of the Student Association.

Signatures of Supporting Members:

Name	Student ID	Signatures
Khushpreet Kaur	██████████	<i>Khushpreet kaur</i>
Jagjeet Kaur	██████████	<i>Jagjeet kaur</i>
Harshwardhan singh	██████████	<i>hwardhan singh</i>
Gurwinder Singh	██████████	<i>Gurwinder singh</i>
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Jashanpreet kaur	[REDACTED]	Jashanpreet kaur
Jashan Singh	[REDACTED]	Jashan Singh
Khushi khushi	[REDACTED]	Khushi
Harmanmeet singh Bedi	[REDACTED]	Harman Singh Bedi
Jasleen gill	[REDACTED]	Jasleen
Taranjit singh	[REDACTED]	Taranjit
Manpreet kaur	[REDACTED]	Manpreet kaur
Komal takas	[REDACTED]	Komal
Karan prag bhardwaj	[REDACTED]	Karan Prag
Harmanpreet kaur	[REDACTED]	Harmanpreet kaur
Gurjeet kaur	[REDACTED]	Gurjeet
Rajnish pourd	[REDACTED]	Rajnish
Sukhjit singh	[REDACTED]	Sukhjit
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Lovepreet singh	[REDACTED]	Lovepreet Singh
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