

Student Association of George Brown College

November Minutes – Record of Email Vote

Date: Tuesday, November 19, 2024

Time: November 19 at 1PM – November 20 at 4pm (Online Vote)

Location: Online email communication

Board of Directors: Voting Members	Eligible	Regrets
Executive Members:		
<i>Director of Communications and Internal</i>	suspended	
<i>Director of Operations</i>	suspended	
<i>Director of Student Experience</i>		
<i>Director of Education and Equity</i>	suspended	
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, including school of Nursing</i>		
<i>Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative</i>		
<i>Preparatory and Liberal Studies Representative</i>		vacant

Summary of Email Voting Timeline

1. November 18, 2024 Board Meeting

- a. Due to the lack of quorum at the November 18, 2024 board meeting and the time sensitive nature of three motions, the Chairperson initiated an online vote via email.

2. Voting Process

- a. Voting was to be conducted by an email vote and by secret ballot. The secret ballot process was determined as a standard practice for online/email votes. Voting opened on Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 1pm and voting closed on Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at 4pm. Below are the text from the motions sent via email for the board members to vote upon. Board members had the option of voting in favour, against or abstaining from the motion. The board members voted by directly replying to the chair and their votes were confidential. There were 6 board members eligible to cast their vote. The text of the motions was copied from the November 2024 board package agenda as submitted. The three email votes are listed below:

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SAGBC November Board Motion: 1 of 3

Hi,

This email is the first of three to be voted upon via email. Voting will open upon the receipt of this email, and **please respond with your vote directly to the chair, by Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at 4pm**. The options for voting is either in favour, against or an abstention.

Bi-monthly Financials June 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024 – Appendix H

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

Whereas the Director of Operation was notified in September and October of the need to review financials.

Whereas the Operations Committee unable to convene due to deficiency of its members.

Be it resolved that the BOD receive the Bi-Monthly Financials Jun 1 2024 to Sep 30 2024 as presented.

Moved by: Director of Student Experience, Peter Corno

Seconded by: Construction and Engineering Representative, Ibrahim Hatia

SAGBC November Board Motion: 2 of 3

Hi,

This email is the second of three to be voted upon via email. Voting will open upon the receipt of this email, and **please respond with your vote directly to the chair, by Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at 4pm**. The options for voting is either in favour, against or an abstention.

Whereas the Student Association of George Brown College assessed the safety, security, and liability of the trip, and of all trips requiring overnight stays where students from the general membership are involved.

Whereas the trips safety and security issues have been resolved by letting ISX (tour company) host the event and implement their safety strategies and

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working with other departments to help ensure the safety of the trip has been met.

Be it resolved that the Montreal trip hosted by the Student Association of George Brown College be removed from a hiatus.

Moved by: Director of Student Experience, Peter Corno

Seconded by: Construction and Engineering Representative, Ibrahim Hatia

SAGBC November Board Motion: 3 of 3

Hi,

This email is the third motion out of three to be voted upon via email. Voting will open upon the receipt of this email, and **please respond with your vote directly to the chair, by Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at 4pm.** The options for voting is either in favour, against or an abstention.

Whereas Bylaw 5,8 *Reassignment of Duties* indicates that *"The Board shall have authority to temporarily re-assign the Director's duties, at its discretion, for the duration of the suspension"*;

Be it resolved that an eligible** member of the Board is reassigned temporarily to partially cover key equity actions.

* as per VDAM 8.3 *BMC Formal Complaint Investigation* 4. vii. "Suspending the Respondent without pay for an appropriate period as determined by the BMC. In the event of a suspension without pay, the BMC may direct the Board to re-assign the Respondent's duties under Bylaw 5, s.8(c) for the duration of the suspension;"

** In the conclusion of the BMC, it listed board members who were not eligible to be assigned Director responsibilities. An eligible member to be assigned duties of a director would include Barichisu Osman Abugbila, Community Services and Early Childhood Education Centre Representative.

Moved by: Director of Student Experience, Peter Corno

Seconded by: Construction and Engineering Representative, Ibrahim Hatia

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3. Results

- a. The results of the vote was shared with all eligible board members and board resource staff, the General Manger and Internal Coordinator on November 20, 2024 at 5pm.
- b. A correction email was sent on November 21, 2024 since not all motions met quorum and could be considered carried.

a. November 20th, 2024 Email Results

Hi all,

I am emailing you to conclude the email vote. Voting is now closed (closed as of November 20th at 4pm). Listed below are the results of the votes. The Quorum is 4 out of 7 voting members. Each of the three motions achieved quorum.

Bi-monthly Financials June 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024

Motion carries, 3 in favour, 0 against, 1 abstention.

SAGBC Montreal Trip – Hiatus Removal

Motion defeated, 1 in favour, 4 against, 1 abstention

Equity and Advocacy Executive Duties

Motion carried, 3 in favour, 0 against, 1 abstention

Thank you for casting your vote.

If you have questions, please email me.

b. November 21st, 2024, Email Results Correction

Hi all,

There is a correction in the vote outcomes.

Quorum was not achieved in each of the email votes and the majority threshold was not achieved in motion 1 and motion 3.

Although 4 votes were cast, there needs to be a 50%+1 result for the motion to pass. Since quorum is 7 people, there would need to be 5 votes in favour (50%+1) for the motion to pass or 5 votes against for a motion to be defeated. Abstentions count towards quorum but does not count as a vote

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infavour or against. Therefore, there is a minimum number of 5 votes needed in favour or against for a motion to be carried or defeated.

Motion 1 does not carry.

(4 out of 7 votes received, only 3 votes in favour, does not reach majority, (50%+1 not achieved)).

Motion 2 does not carry.

(6 out of 7 votes received, 4 votes against, does not reach majority threshold of 5 votes need, (50%+1 not achieved)). Motion not defeated.

Motion 3 does not carry.

(4 out of 7 votes received, only 3 votes in favour, does not reach majority (50%+1 not achieved)).

All three motions were not carried or defeated since the majority threshold was not met.

50%+1 majority and quorum is determined by Bylaw 8: Meetings of the Board and Committees of the Board, Section 7 and Section 10, and can be referenced in Roberts Rules of Order: <https://robertsrules.com/frequently-asked-questions/>