Student Association of George Brown College

Board Meeting Minutes
Date: Monday August 18, 2025
Time: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Location: Casa Loma Campus

Board of Directors – Voting Members			
Executive Members:			
Director of Communications and Internal	Nikita Yadav		
Director of Operations	Ajani Miller		
Director of Education & Equity	Jun An 'Toby' Lew		
Director of Student Experience	Hanna Miller		
Educational Centre Representatives:			
Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative	Navinkumar Meena		
Business Representative	Naomi Deena Mathew		
Community Services and Early Childhood Representative	Bryndoven O'Krafka		
Construction and Engineering Representative	Jeetu Patel		
Health Science Representative, including school of Nursing	Muhaddesa Atlas		
Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative	Alitzel Martinez		
Preparatory and Liberal Studies Representative	Rain Avery		
Non-Voting Member:			
General Manager	Rosalyn Miller		
Resources:			
Chairperson	Kayla Weiler		
Minute Taker	Jessica Pasion		
George Brown College Representative	Ian Wigglesworth (regrets) Daniel Fok		
Operations Manager	Wafa Ulliyan (regrets)		
Guests:			
Dialog			
Executive Director, GBC Foundation	Allan Penning		
Logicial Outomes	Neil Price		
George Brown College, Interim Vice-President, Academic	Patricia Chorney Rubin (regrets)		

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1. Roll Call:

Board of Directors: Voting Members	Present	Absent	Regrets
Executive Members:			
Director of Communications and Internal	X		
Director of Operations	Х		
Director of Student Experience			Χ
Director of Education & Equity	X		
Educational Centre Representatives:			
Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative	Х		
Business Representative	X		
Community Services and Early Childhood Representative	Х		
Construction and Engineering Representative	X		
Health Science Representative	X		
Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative			Χ
Preparatory and Liberal Studies Representative	X		
Non-Voting Member			
General Manager	X		

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.

Declaration to abide by Roberts Rules

All board members and guests agree to follow Roberts Rules of Order including but not limited to speaking time, the limitation of speakers and speakers list. The chairperson has the authority to call the meeting back to order as they see fit.

2. Call to Order:

Time: 2:09PM

3. Approval of the Agenda

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Be it resolved that the Board of Directors accept the agenda as presented.

Moved by: Nikita Yadav, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Jeetu Patel, Construction and Engineering Representative

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

Motion to add a proposal video to show the SA renovations under other business

Moved by: Ajani Miller, Director of Operations

Seconded by: Navinkumar Meena, Arts, Design and Information Technology

Representative

Discussion:

- Director of Operations mentions its an update on work progress

Vote: Carries

- * Back to the main motion
- The Director of Communications and Internal enquiries about a motion regarding the Montreal Trip. The Chair informs the Director of Communications and Internal that there was no report submitted to the board which was required and mentioned at the last board meeting. The board cannot entertain a motion to remove the hiatus at this time because the first step hasn't happened at the moment.

Vote: Carries

4. Approval of Minutes (Appendix A)

Whereas the meeting minutes from the July 21, 2025, Board meeting requires approval;

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors accept the meeting minutes of July 21, 2025 (Appendix A) as presented.

Moved by: Nikita Yadav, Director of Communications and Internal **Seconded by:** Naomi Deena Mathew, Business Representative

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

No amendments to the minutes were made at this time

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Vote: Carries

5. SAGBC Committee Reports Package

Committee Reports	Appendix
Policy and Procedure Committee	Appendix B
Submitted by Nikita Yadav, Director of Communications and	
Internal	
Finance and Operations Committee	Not
	available
Marketing & Communications Committee	Appendix C
Submitted by Hanna Miller, Director of Student Experience	
Executive Committee Report	Appendix D
Submitted by Nikita Yadav, Director of Communications and	
Internal	
Board Accountability Report	Not
Submitted by Nikita Yadav, Director of Communications and	available
Internal	
Education Advisory Committee Report	Appendix E
Submitted by Jun An 'Toby' Lew, Director of Education & Equity	
General Managers Report	Not
Submitted by Rosalyn Miller	Applicable
Election Committee Report	Appendix F
Submitted by Jun An 'Toby' Lew, Director of Education & Equity	
and Rosalyn Miller, General Manager	

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors SAGBC Reports Package be accepted as presented.

Moved by: Nikita Yadav, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Ajani Miller, Director of Operations

Discussion: None **Vote:** Carries

6. Declaration of Conflict

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

- No declarations were made at this time

7. Academic Structural Change

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Presented by Patricia Chorney Rubin, Interim Vice-President, Academic

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors receive the report from the College.

Moved by: Seconded by: Discussion: Vote:

- * Due to the regrets sent, no motion was made/ needed and Daniel Fok updated that Patricia will follow up on this matter
- The Director of Education and Equity inquiries about asking questions regarding the academic division
- Daniel Fok recommends asking Patricia, Interim VP, Academic as she would be the best person
- The General Manager states she will follow up with Interim VP, Academic and with Daniel along with the Director of Education and Equity

8. <u>Election Committee Report (Appendix F)</u>

Submitted by Jun An 'Toby' Lew, Director of Education & Equity and Rosalyn Miller, General Manager

Whereas the By-laws require a Fall and Spring Election to be held which shall conclude no later than the first Friday in December and first Friday in April; and

Whereas the Elections Committee has met and presented a fulsome report on the proposed dates; therefore,

a. **Be it resolved that** the Board of Directors accepts the dates for the Fall 2025 & Spring 2025 Elections as presented in the report

Moved by: Jun An 'Toby' Lew, Director of Education & Equity **Seconded by:** Muhaddesa Atlas, Health Science Representative **Discussion:**

o **Motion to amend** agenda item 8 to have subsection a and b.

Moved by: Jun An 'Toby' Lew, Director of Education & Equity **Seconded by:** Naomi Deena Mathew, Business Representative **Discussion:**

 The Director of Education and Equity along with the Elections committee review the current and the new upcoming academic division structure and an interim plan was discussed.

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Vote: Carries

Motion to table the agenda item to the next board meeting, September 15 and have a joint meeting of elections, plus board guest who have abstained and have a report by September 8

Moved by: Jun An 'Toby' Lew, Director of Education & Equity

Seconded by: Ajani Miller, Director of Operations

Discussion:

- The General Manager recommends an amendment to motion to table and to have board members abstain due to conflict of interest and have a special meeting occur
- The Chair confirms that the elections committee could have a special meeting that the board members could attend to have a discussion but it wouldn't be an official meeting of the elections committee.

Vote: Carries

Vote: NA

b. **Whereas** the changes to the Academic Division no longer align with the roles and responsibilities of the Board of Directors' Educational Centre Representatives' Roles and Representation;

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors acknowledge they have received a presentation on the Emergency Interim Measure for Fall 2025; and

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors accept the Emergency Interim Measure for Fall 2025

Moved by: Jun An 'Toby' Lew, Director of Education & Equity **Seconded by:** Naomi Deena Mathew, Business Representative

Discussion:

- Director of Education and Equity has confirmed the resignation of Charles Wilson and that he has temporary filled in the position while the hiring of the 2025-2026 Chief Returning Officer is in process
- The committee made a unanimous decision and offered the candidate to commence in September
- The Director of Education and Equity provided additional appendix to review the recommended fall dates
- The General manager reminds folks the dates are in compliance with the current By-laws

to the changes of the academic division

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- The General Manager updates that the by-laws of the corporation will need to be amended to reflect the governance change and model due
 - The Director of Education and Equity reiterates that the plan presented is an interim plan and the Policies and Procedures committee will be working on the structure to be ready for a Spring 2026

Vote: Carries

9. SAGBC Strategic Priorities (Appendix G)

Presented by Neil Price, Logical Outcomes

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors accept the SAGBC Strategic Actions for the 2025-2026 term as presented.

Moved by: Jeetu Patel, Construction and Engineering Representative **Seconded by:** Nikita Yadav, Director of Communications and Internal

Discussion: None **Vote:** Carries

10. GBC Foundation

Presented by Allan Penning, George Brown College Foundation

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors receive the presentation as presented.

Moved by: Bryndoven O'Krafka, Community Services and Early Childhood

Representative

Seconded by: Jeetu Patel, Construction and Engineering Representative

Discussion: Vote: Carries

11. Amendment to the Directors Remuneration Policy - Appendix H

Whereas, the Policy and Procedures Committee has suggested updates to Directors Remuneration Policy, 2.7 Transportation & Travel Expense for Executive Members and Educational Centre Representatives; **Be it resolved that** the Board accepts the changes to the Directors Remuneration Policy, 2.7 Transportation & Travel Expense as presented.

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Be it further resolved that the changes taken effect as of August 1, 2025.

Moved by: Nikita Yadav, Director of Communications and Internal **Seconded by:** Jun An 'Toby' Lew, Director of Education & Equity

Discussion: Vote: Carries

12. 2025-2026 Update to Standing Committee Members

Whereas, the By-Law, Section 1, Sub-section 3 stated that the Board of Directors should be advised by the committees of the corporation,

Whereas, the organization has 7 standing committees (Appendix H),

Whereas, the Internal Policies & Procedures Committee composition requires one representative and one executive appointed at the board meeting and currently has a vacancy,

Whereas, the Elections Committee requires one board member nominated by the board of directors and currently has a vacancy; therefore

Be resolved that the Board of Directors ratify Educational Representative **Alitzel Martinez** for the **Policies & Procedures Committee**,

Be it further resolved that the Board of Directors ratify **Rain Avery** to the Election Committee.

Moved by: Nikita Yadav, Director of Communications and Internal **Seconded by:** Naomi Deena Mathew, Business Representative

Discussion:

- The Director of Education and Equity provides a brief overview of the Elections Committee
- The Director of Communications and Internal provides a brief overview of the Policies and Procedures Committee

Vote: Carries

13. <u>Proposal for the Installation of a Student-Accessible Hot Water Dispenser</u>

Submitted by: Muhaddesa Atlas, Health Science Educational Representative and Jun An 'Toby' Lew, Director of Education & Equity

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Whereas many students spend extended hours on campus and rely on hot beverages such as tea, instant coffee, and soups to stay energized, focused, and warm, especially during colder months;

And whereas the current lack of free and accessible hot water on campus creates a barrier for students, particularly those facing financial constraints who may not be able to regularly purchase from campus cafés;

Be it resolved, that the Operations Committee initiate a review of the feasibility, logistics, and student demand for installing at least one hot water dispenser in a central, student-accessible location on each campus. These locations may include, but are not limited to, student lounges, cafeterias, or common areas frequently used by students.

Suggested Locations by Campus:

• St. James: Student Lounge or adjacent to the cafeteria

• Casa Loma: Student Lounge

• Waterfront: First floor near the Cafeteria

Moved by: Muhaddesa Atlas, Health Science Educational Representative **Seconded by:** Jun An 'Toby' Lew, Director of Education & Equity

Discussion:

- Navinkumar Meena, Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative is in support of the idea
- The idea will be shared with the Operations Committee as not all spaces are controlled by the Student Association
- The General Manager shares her perspective from the General Manager point of view
- The health and safety committee will need to be included to review student liability and any potential challenges

Vote: Carries

14. Bill 33 Awareness and Advocacy Campaign

Submitted by: Jun An 'Toby' Lew, Director of Education & Equity

Whereas Bill 33 is a threat that would destabilize education across the province of Ontario

Whereas George Brown College and the Student Association would be heavily impacted by the implementation of Bill 33

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Whereas the Ontario Government is set to resume Parliament on October 20th, 2025

Be it resolved that the Bill 33 Awareness and Advocacy Campaign be approved;

Be it further resolved that SAGBC work towards spreading awareness on the risk and threats of Bill 33, utilizing the developed campaign materials.

Moved by: Jun An 'Toby' Lew, Director of Education & Equity **Seconded by:** Bryndoven O'Krafka, Community Services and Early Childhood Representative

Discussion: Vote: Carries

* Motion to extend the meeting until 4:45PM

Moved by: Navinkumar Meena, Arts, Design and Information Technology

Representative

Seconded by: Bryndoven O'Krafka, Community Services and Early Childhood Representative

Discussion: None **Vote:** Carries

15. Other Business

- SAGBC Montreal Trip Hiatus Review Update
 - Submitted by Nikita Yadav, Director of Communications and Internal
- Proposal video of the Kings Lounge
 - Director of Operations

16. Adjournment

Whereas the Board Meeting was scheduled till 4:00 PM

Be it resolved that the Board Meeting is adjourned at **4:47PM**.

Moved by: Ajani Miller, Director of Operations

Seconded by: Bryndoven O'Krafka, Community Services and Early Childhood

Representative

Discussion: None **Vote:** Carries