

Student Association of George Brown College

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday July 20, 2026

Time: 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Location: Casa Loma Campus

Board of Directors – Voting Members	
Executive Members:	
Director of Communications and Internal	Ifeoluwa 'Faith' Oluwatoyin
Director of Operations	Sandhya 'Sandy' Ethiraj
Director of Education & Equity	Nicholson 'Malichi' Douglas
Director of Student Experience	Bryndoven O'Kafka
Educational Centre Representatives:	
Faculty of Applied Science, Construction, Engineering Technology Representatives	Usama Akhtar
Faculty of Applied Science, Construction, Engineering Technology Representatives	Anmolpreet Dhillon
Faculty of Business, Creative Industries, and Culinary Arts Representative	McKenna Ross
Faculty of Business, Creative Industries, and Culinary Arts Representative	Pratham Tanwar
Faculty of Community and Interdisciplinary Representative	Priscilla Miuccio
Faculty of Community and Interdisciplinary Representative	Lillian Wheeldon
Faculty of Health Sciences Representative	Gloria Stefani
Non-Voting Member:	
General Manager	Rosalyn Miller
Resources:	
Chairperson	Kayla Weiler
Minute Taker	Jessica Pasion
George Brown Polytechnic Representative	
Operations Manager	Wafa Ulliyan
Guests:	
Dialog	Sean Heeger
Interim Chief Returning Officer	Charles Wilson
George Brown Polytechnic, Registrar and Associate Vice-President, Strategic Enrolment	Janene Christiansen

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1. Roll Call:

Board of Directors: Voting Members	Name	Present	Absent	Regrets
Executive Members:				
<i>Director of Communications and Internal</i>	<i>Ifeoluwa 'Faith' Oluwatoyin</i>	X		
<i>Director of Operations</i>	<i>Sandhya 'Sandy' Ethiraj</i>	X		
<i>Director of Education & Equity</i>	<i>Nicholson 'Malichi' Douglas</i>	X		
<i>Director of Student Experience</i>	<i>Bryndoven O'Krafka</i>	X		
Educational Centre Representatives:				
Faculty of Applied Science, Construction, Engineering Technology Rep	Usama Akhtar	X		
Faculty of Applied Science, Construction, Engineering Technology Rep	Anmolpreet Dhillon			X
Faculty of Business, Creative Industries, and Culinary Arts Rep	McKenna Ross			X
Faculty of Business, Creative Industries, and Culinary Arts Rep	Pratham Tanwar		X	
Faculty of Community and Interdisciplinary Rep	Priscilla Miuccio	X		
Faculty of Community and Interdisciplinary Rep	Lillian Wheeldon	X		
Faculty of Health Sciences Rep	Gloria Stefani	X		
Non-Voting Member				
<i>General Manager</i>	Rosalyn Miller			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.

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Declaration to abide by Roberts Rules

All board members and guests agree to follow Roberts Rules including but not limited to speaking time, 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: 4:10PM

3. Declaration of Vacancy

Statement provided by the Director of Communications and Internal

- The Director of Operations has submitted a written resignation on July 4, 2026, providing one months notice. The resignation is then accepted and the office should formally be declared vacant at the first Board of Directors meeting held. At this time, the 60 day period for filling the vacancy begins.
- The Chair of the BOD Meeting reminds folks that a memo was sent out from the Chair by the Chief Returning Officer.
- The Chief Returning Officer explains the declaration of vacancy, should be seen as notice of an incoming vacancy, not a declaration of vacancy, because the decoration of vacancy under the bylaws have to occur after the vacancy has occurred, because one month notice was given. It would not be until the August board meeting that the clock starts on the 60 days.
 - o The Chief Returning Officer continues to explain that the BOD can proceed with an interim measures which is wise to consider due to it already being August and the next few weeks of the year will be extremely busy and not convinced that running an appointment process can occur.
 - o This position election would occur in November and does not think a by-election in October for 2 months would be appropriate

4. Approval of the Agenda

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

Moved by: Nicholson 'Malichi' Douglas, Director of Education & Equity

Seconded by: Sandhya 'Sandy' Ethiraj, Director of Operations

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

Motion to amend the agenda to include a new item 8 - Resolution Regarding Interim Provision for DO Vacancy - Operational Support

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Moved by: Ifeoluwa 'Faith' Oluwatoyin, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Bryndoven O'Krafka, Director of Student Experience

Discussion: None

Vote: Carries

*** Back to the main motion with the amendments**

Vote: Carries

5. Approval of Minutes (Appendix A)

Whereas the meeting minutes from May 25, 2026, Board Meeting require approval.

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors accept the meeting minutes of May 25, 2026 (Appendix A) Board meeting as presented.

Moved by: Nicholson 'Malichi' Douglas, Director of Education & Equity

Seconded by: Priscilla Miuccio, Faculty of Community and Interdisciplinary Representative

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

- *No amendments to the meeting minutes are made at this time.*

Vote: Carries

6. 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.

7. George Brown Polytechnic Updates

Discussion and updates by Janene Christiansen, George Brown Polytechnic, Registrar and Associate Vice-President, Strategic Enrolment

- Ian Wigglesworth, the Associate VP, Student Success is no longer with the Institution. Part of his portfolio with the exception of library services are under Janene's portfolio

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- Janene will also be the primary liaison for the Student Association and therefore will attend all the Board of Directors meetings and working with the BOD closely
- Janene spoke about the evolution of all things with George Brown and that they are undergoing a boarder strategy – looking at the next Strategy 2030
 - o Academic Plan 2026-2029 – The Vision: Any starting point. Every possibility. Learner – Centered, three pillars (Teaching & Learning, Student Experience, Program Enrolment & Pathways)
 - o Janene mentioned there is a lot of opportunity in intersection points of what the Student Association does and what the institution does
 - o Recent institution announcements – GBP is partnering with University of Toronto, University of Guelph currently in discussion with York University; looking at ways of cross integration of credentials.
 - o Janene will be working on a huge project called Unified Student Experience, and would like the Student Association and membership to be a part of the ongoing discussion – three (3) year project that’s looking at how we can make sure that students coming to us for any type of query, concerns, first point of contact is very seamless.
 - o No decision on where the first campus will be. Initial launch will be spring 2027 and a lot of input from the Student Association as this model moves forward is wanted.
- Discussion/ questioned asked among the BOD include: Director of Operations, Faculty of Health Sciences Rep, Director of Student Experience Faculty of Community and Interdisciplinary Rep, Operations Manager, and Director of Communications and Internal

8. Resolution Regarding Interim Provision for DO Vacancy - Operational Support

Whereas, the organization is entering an exceptionally busy operational period in preparation for the start of the academic year and the annual audit; and

Whereas, the Director of Operations provides significant financial oversight and operational leadership during this period; and

Whereas, the recruitment and appointment process for a new Director of Operations will result in a temporary gap in fiscal oversight and operational capacity; and

Whereas, the Director of Communications and Internal (DCI) is able to provide additional operational support during the period from August 4 until the appointment of a Director of Operations; and

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Whereas, the Executive Committee has reviewed the operational needs arising from the vacancy and recommends interim support to ensure preparation and continuity of operations;

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors approves an increase in the Director of Communications and Internal's hours of work to a maximum of 40 hours per week, effective August 4 and continuing until a Director of Operations is appointed; and

Be it further resolved that, during this interim period, the Director of Communications and Internal shall provide support for key functions within the Director of Operations portfolio, including financial processing and oversight, audit coordination and monitoring, and building and capital operations support, as assigned.

Moved by: Ifeoluwa 'Faith' Oluwatoyin, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Nicholson 'Malichi' Douglas, Director of Education & Equity

Discussion:

Vote: Carries

9. SAGB Committees Reports Package

<u>Committee Reports</u>	<u>Appendix</u>
Board Accountability Report (May/June 2026) <i>Submitted by Ifeoluwa 'Faith' Oluwatoyin, Director of Communications and Internal</i>	Appendix B
Executive Committee Report (May/June 2026) <i>Submitted by Ifeoluwa 'Faith' Oluwatoyin, Director of Communications and Internal</i>	Appendix C
General Manager Report (May/June 2026) <i>Submitted by Rosalyn Miller, General Manager</i>	Appendix D
Education Advisory Committee Report (May/June)	Not Applicable
Finance & Operations Committee Report (June) <i>Submitted by Sandhya 'Sandy' Ethiraj, Director of Operations</i>	Appendix E
Marketing & Communications Committee Report (June 2026) <i>Submitted by Bryndoven O'Krafka, Director of Student Experience</i>	Appendix F
Policy & Procedures Committee Report	Not Applicable
Election Committee	Not Applicable

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

Moved by: Ifeoluwa 'Faith' Oluwatoyin, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Sandhya 'Sandy' Ethiraj, Director of Operations

Discussion:

Vote: Carries

10. Other Business

- Gloria Stefani, Faculty of Health Sciences Rep shares her proposed motions and in doing so, recommendation to bring to the Education Advisory Committee and Operation Manager inquired about gathering concrete evidence supporting reasoning behind proposed actions.

11. Adjournment

Whereas the Board Meeting was scheduled till **6:00 PM**

Be it resolved that the Board Meeting is adjourned at **5:03PM**

Moved by: Lillian Wheeldon, Faculty of Community and Interdisciplinary Representative

Seconded by: Usama Akhtar, Faculty of Applied Science, Construction, Engineering Technology Representatives

Discussion: None

Vote: Carries