

Student Association of George Brown College

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, March 18th, 2024

Time: 6:00PM – 8:00PM

Location: Online - Zoom

Board of Directors – Voting Members	
Executive Members:	
Director of Communications and Internal	Ayush Dara
Director of Operations	Erubey Lechuga
Director of Education & Equity	Muhammad Usman
Director of Student Experience	Peter Corno
Educational Centre Representatives:	
Arts, Design and Information Technology Representative	Manvi Gumber
Business Representative	Sonakshi Chanana
Community Services and Early Childhood Representative	Barichisu Osman Abugblia
Construction and Engineering Representative	Kaung Zin Hein
Health Science Representative, including school of Nursing	Max Davidson
Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative	Sahil Arora
Preparatory and Liberal Studies Representative	Manveer Johal
Non-Voting Member:	
General Manager	Rosalyn Miller
Resources:	
Chair	Kayla Weiler
Minute Taker	Jessica Pasion
George Brown College Representative	Melissa Gallo
Operations Manager	Wafa Ulliyan
Guests:	
The Dialog	Rosa Yazdannejat
Executive Director, Logical Outcomes	Neil Price

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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>	✓ (late)		
<i>Construction and Engineering Representative</i>	✓		
<i>Health Science Representative, including school of Nursing</i>	✓ (late)		
<i>Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative</i>	✓		
<i>Preparatory and Liberal Studies Representative</i>	✓		
Non-Voting Member			
<i>General Manager</i>	✓		

Land Recognition Statement:

Student Association of George Brown College is located on the traditional territory of the Mississauga's of the Credit First Nation and other Indigenous peoples who have lived here over Time. We are fortunate to have the opportunity to learn, work, grow, and live in the community sharing the responsibility to honor and protect this land as treaty people and to live peacefully with each other.

2. Call to Order:

Time: 6:04PM

3. Approval of the Agenda

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

Moved by: Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Sonakshi Chanana, Business Representative

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

Motion to amend the agenda – Be it resolved that “30th Anniversary” be added to Other Business and “Adhoc Transit Committee Motion” be added to the agenda as item 14.

Moved by: Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Barichisu Osman Abugblia, Community Services and Early Childhood Representative

Discussion: No discussion regarding additional agenda items

Vote: Carries

- Back to main motion

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: Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Barichisu Osman Abugblia, Community Services and Early Childhood 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: Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Erubey Lechuga, Director of Operations

Discussion: None

Vote: Carries

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6. Approval of Minutes (Appendix A)

Whereas the meeting minutes from the February 21, 2024 Board meeting requires approval.

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors accept the meeting minutes of February 21, 2024 Board meeting as presented with the amendments if any.

Moved by: Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Sahil Arora, Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative

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

- No amendments were made at this time

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.

- No declaration of conflict at this time

8. Revised Strategic Plan (APPENDIX B, C, D)

Whereas the Strategic Plan Report was presented at the January 2024 Board meeting and a review by SAGBC members.

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors accepts the SAGBC Strategic Plan Report and Recommended Strategic Priorities as amended, prepared by Logical Outcomes.

Moved by: Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Erubey Lechuga, Director of Operations

Discussion:

- Rosalyn Miller recognizes that Neil Price is in the online meeting space to answer any additional questions, clarification and can answer regarding the updated strategic priorities, goals and actions. Reminding folks that board and staff were given the opportunity to review and make any additional recommendations. Organization is currently without a strategic direction and approval of the report and actions are needed.
- Director of Operations inquiries whether this report includes the governance review which the General Manager clarifies is a different process.

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- Neil Price quickly reviews the presentation for folks, reminding folks of the priorities and actions
- Operations Manager, assist Neil in furthering explaining the actions of the priorities

Vote: Carries

* Manveer Johal, Preparatory and Liberal Studies Representative left at 6:15pm

* Sahil Arora, Hospitality and Culinary Arts Representative left at 6:30pm

9. Operations Committee - Fees Recommendations according to the Proposed Draft Budget 2024-2025 (Appendix E)

Presented by: Erubey Lechuga, Director of Operations, Ayush Dara, Director of Communications & Internal, Barischisu Osman Community Services Representative & Manvi Gumber, Art & Design Technology Representative.

Whereas the Board of Directors has received the presentation of Fees Recommendations by the Operations Committee Members.

Whereas the Board of Directors has reviewed the options thoroughly and discussed about the benefits and effects of each option.

Be it resolved that the Operations Committee recommends to The Board of Directors of The Student Association of George Brown Option 2.

Moved by: Erubey Lechuga, Director of Operations

Seconded by: Sonakshi Chanana, Business Representative

Discussion:

- Presentation of the fees recommendation completed by Director of Operations
- Community Services Representative further explains to the board the time and effort made and why Option 2 is the best option for folks.
- Health Science Representative inquiries about the presto program if it does not move forward
- General Manager clarifies that the Presto Program is not listed under the activities and services in agreement with the college. Currently coming out of the reserve and contingency fund. Does put pressure on the organization due to the amount being taken out of our self-generated revenue. Goal is to include and consider subsidizing the program by the college and a referendum would be needed eventually.
- Construction and Engineering Representative inquires about the last meeting with the college wanting to increase their fees for students, and the board concern on those increase, how can we increase our fees
- Director of Operations explains that the organization is committed to reducing and

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avoiding raising our fees however we have an increase in projects, campuses open and tried to put together a proposal providing folks with two options. Reminding folks that the recommended option will provide a break-even outcome for the organization.

Vote: Carries

10. Educational Centre Committee January and February Report (Appendix F)

Presented by Muhammad Usman, Director of Education & Equity

Be resolved that the Board of Directors accepts the February Executive Committee report as presented.

Moved by: Muhammad Usman, Director of Education & Equity

Seconded by: Barichisu Osman Abugblia, Community Services and Early Childhood Representative

Discussion:

- No presentation by Director of Education and Equity occurred due to technical difficulties

Vote: Carries

11. Board Accountability February Report (Appendix G)

Presented by Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal

Be resolved that the Board of Directors accepts the Board Accountability February 2024 report as presented.

Moved by: Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Kaung Zin Hein, Construction and Engineering Representative

Discussion: None

Vote: Carries

12. Executive Committee February Report (Appendix H)

Presented by Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal

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Moved by: Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal

Seconded by: Kaung Zin Hein, Construction and Engineering Representative

Discussion:

- Health Sciences Representatives seeks clarification regarding document provided and whether what was given is the actual report. Was the General Manager notes shared
- General Manager clarifies her attendance and contribution to the meetings. Indicating one of the meetings she was away at a conference and will be sharing her report. Can share amongst the board if the requirement is needed

Vote: Carries

13. Request for GBC ancillary fee increase ie. Athletics and IT Fees (Appendix I)

Presented by Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal

Whereas the Board of Directors of The Student Association of George Brown College has reviewed the Briefing Notes for the George Brown College raise in fee.

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Student Association of George Brown College will solicit a meeting with the George Brown College representatives to further discuss the details on fee increases.

Be it further resolved that the representatives of the Student Association of George Brown College attending the meeting will be Erubey Lechuga, Director of Operations; Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal; Kaung Zin Hein, Construction and Engineering Representative

Moved by: Erubey Lechuga, Director of Operations

Seconded by: Sonakshi Chanana, Business Representative

Discussion:

- Director of Communications and Internal notifies folks if anyone has any concerns or questions to email
- General Manager further explains the letter that was shared. Also recommends a letter is drafted and that this is an opportunity to ask questions regarding the current letter provided to the board.
- Constructions and Engineering Representative inquiries if we are not in support of the increase from the college, how can we go about this?
- Director of Operations, expresses his thoughts and recommends a meeting may be necessary
- Health Sciences Representative is not impressed with the approach of the fees, what the statistics are of other colleges is not relevant to the Student Association.

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- Director of Operations will be proposing a motion in the chatbox

Vote: Carries

14. Adhoc Transit Committee Motion

Whereas the previous transit initiative (TTC) that was operated by the Student Association included free TTC passes for board members.

Whereas there are questions surrounding how board members will access the PRESTO voucher program.

Be it resolved that board members will be eligible to collect the transit subsidy twice per semester (\$25/voucher), with payment coming from the board budget (Board Travel or Board Executive Transportation).

Moved by: Max Davidson, Health Science Representative

Seconded by: Sonakshi Chanana, Business Representative

Discussion:

Vote: Carries

15. Other Business

- CFS Lobby Week Reflection report back by Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal and Erubey Lechuga, Director of Operations

* Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal left at 8:15pm

** Motion to extend the meeting until 8:45PM

Moved by: Max Davidson, Health Science Representative, including school of Nursing

Seconded by: Ayush Dara, Director of Communications and Internal

Discussion: None

Vote: Carries

- 30th Anniversary

16. Adjournment

Whereas the Board Meeting was scheduled till 8:00 PM

Whereas the Board Meeting was extended till 8:45 PM

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Be it resolved that the Board Meeting is adjourned at **8:26PM**

Moved by: Max Davidson, Health Science Representative, including school of Nursing

Seconded by: Erubey Lechuga, Director of Operations

Discussion: None

Vote: Carries