

# The Graduate Students' Association at the Okanagan Campus

## Minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting

### MEETING INFORMATION

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**Date:** Thursday, Dec 5th, 2024  
**Time:** 1pm  
**Location:** Zoom

### PARTICIPANTS

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Yazdan Gordanpour	Director (chair)
Bronte Shelton	Director
Elisa Knight	Director
Nibirh Jawad	Member (non-voting)

### AGENDA

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#### **Standard Business:**

- 1. Call to Order and Review of Membership**  
Meeting called to order at 1:08pm.
- 2. Appointment of Minute-taker**  
24/12/05.01  
Moved by Gordanpour/ Resolved, Elisa Knight be appointed as minute-taker of this meeting.  
**Carried**
- 3. Adoption of Agenda**  
24/12/05.02  
Moved by Gordanpour/ Resolved, the agenda be adopted.  
Moved by Gordanpour/ Motion to amend the agenda by adding a new item after item 4, titled "Director Resignation." **Carried**  
**Original Motion Carried as Amended**
- 4. Approval of Minutes**  
24/12/05.03  
Moved by Gordanpour/ Resolved, Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting Nov 14th, 2024 be approved as attached. **Carried**

#### **New Business:**

- 5. Director Resignation**  
Knight expressed her decision to resign as Director due to time constraints and other research commitments. Board agreed to put out calls for recruitment or encouraging applicants for Vice-Director positions to become a Director. Gordanpour asked Knight to remain as Director until a replacement is found with limited responsibility. Knight agreed.

#### **Old Business:**

- 6. Meeting with CoGS**  
Board discussed the format and agenda of the meeting. CoGS has not clarified the purpose of their invite so the Board prepared a document containing possible points of discussion including: providing an update on the legal standing of GSA and ongoing negotiations with

the SUO. Relationship with CoGS in the future and expectations. As well as, general grad student grievances that might be of interest to CoGS.

**7. Member Outreach Plans**

Gordanpour provided an update on the call for Vice-Directors. One person has applied and has been interviewed. Board agreed to postpone in-person Board meetings and info sessions to next year. Gordanpour will prepare slides and presentations for Instagram and info sessions.

**8. Negotiations with SUO**

Moved by Gordanpour/ Motion to grant rights to Nibirh Jawad to attend the in camera session. **Carried**

24/12/05.04

Moved by Gordanpour/ Resolved, meeting be moved in camera. **Carried**  
*Minutes of in camera sessions stored separately.*

[Knight left meeting at 11:54, Gordanpour took over as Minute-taker]

24/12/05.05

Moved by Gordanpour/ Resolved, meeting be moved ex camera. **Carried**

**Standard Business:**

**9. Adjournment**

24/12/05.06

Moved by Gordanpour/ Resolved, meeting be adjourned. **Carried** at 2:11pm

**NEXT MEETING**

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[Thursday Dec 19th, 1pm, on Zoom]

**OTHER NOTES OR INFORMATION**

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Recorded By: Elisa Knight & Yazdan Gordanpour

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