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Board of Directors Meeting # 11  
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## Attendance – November 29, 2023

<b>Board of Directors</b>			
<b>At-Large Representatives (Elected)</b>		<b>Present / Regrets</b>	<b>Arrived / Departed</b>
Jonah Greenhut	College of Arts	Present	
Vacant	College of Arts		
Daniel Spinner	College of Biological Science	Present	
Vacant	College of Biological Science		
Jake Levy	College of Engineering and Physical Sciences	Present	
Nate Broughton	College of Engineering and Physical Sciences	Present	
Mason Friebe	College of Social and Applied Human Sciences	Present	
Vacant	College of Social and Applied Human Sciences		
Mauricio Fernandez	Gordon S. Lang School of Business and Economics	Present	
Daniel Neiterman	Gordon S. Lang School of Business and Economics	Present	
Bella Litvak	Ontario Agricultural College	Present	
Hillary Schneider	Ontario Agricultural College	Present	
Noam Einy	Ontario Veterinary College	Present	
Vacant	Ontario Veterinary College		
<b>Member College Government Representatives (Appointed)</b>		<b>Present / Regrets</b>	<b>Arrived / Departed</b>
Kennedy Koeslag	College of Arts Student Union	Present	
Natalie Wilkinson	College of Biological Science Student Council	Present	
Abdul Rafe Khan	College of Engineering and Physical Sciences Student Council	Present	
Rachel Marcus	College of Social and Applied Human Sciences -Student Alliance	Present	
Vacant	Lang Students' Association		
Taylor Legge	Student Federation of the Ontario Agricultural College	Present	
Vacant	Central Veterinary Student Association (Ontario Veterinary College)		

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<b>Student Organization Representatives (Appointed)</b>		<b>Present / Regrets</b>	<b>Arrived / Departed</b>
Samantha Scott	Indigenous Student Society (ISS)	Present	
Chikaima Ifezue	Guelph Black Students Association (GBSA)	Present	
Jayden Khan	Guelph Queer Equality (GQE)	Present	
Danielle Callaghan	Guelph Resource Centre for Gender Empowerment and Diversity (GRCGED)	Present	
Joshua Ivan Jacinto	International Student Organization (ISO)	Present	
Krishna Ratnarajah	Interhall Council (IHC)	Present	
Naomi Amayaevbo	Guelph Campus Co-op	Present	
Eknoor Walia	Ontario Public Interest Research Group	Present	
Marcus Aldred-Ganhao	Student Senate Caucus	Present	
Simran Kalra	Board of Governors	Present	
<b>Executive (Ex-officio, Non-voting)</b>		<b>Present / Regrets</b>	<b>Arrived / Departed</b>
Shaima Alam	President	Present	
McKenna Williams	Vice President Student Experience	Present	
Bawneet Singh	Vice President Academic	Present	
Samar Tariq	Vice President External	Present	

<b>Staff</b>	<b>Position</b>
Cameron Olesen	Chair
Colleen Bovay	Policy & Transition Coordinator
Nikki Tu	Scribe

<b>Guest</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
William Coleman	Chief Returning Officer

*Note: If a Member arrives after the Call to Order, their arrival time (a) is shown above.  
If they leave before Adjournment, their departure time (d) is shown.  
If no time is shown in the column, they were present for the entire meeting.*

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## Summary of Resolutions

### 11.2 Adoption of the Agenda

#### 11.2.1 Approve the Agenda

**MOTION:** That the agenda for the CSA Board of Directors Meeting # 11 on November 29, 2023, be approved as printed and distributed.

**Motion Carried**

**MOTION TO AMEND:** that the agenda be reordered so that item **11.11.1: Fall 2023 By-Election Report** is the first item of discussion.

**Motion Carried**

**AMENDED MOTION:** that the agenda for the CSA Board of Directors Meeting # 11 on November 29, 2023, be approved as amended with:

- The reordering of the agenda so that item **11.11.1: Fall 2023 By-Election Report** is the first item of discussion.

**Motion Carried**

**MOTION:** to reconsider the agenda.

**Motion Carried**

**MOTION:** to suspend the rules of order.

**Motion Carried**

**MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA:** to add new business item **11.12.1: PBRC Consideration of Requirements of Vice Presidents** to the agenda.

**Motion Carried**

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### 11.5 Approval of Past Minutes

**MOTION:** That the Minutes be approved for the following CSA Board of Directors Meeting:

11.5.1	CSA Board Meeting # 10	November 15, 2023
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**Motion Carried**

### 11.6 Executive Committee Minutes

**MOTION:** That the Minutes be received as information for the following Executive Committee Meetings:

Agenda Item #	Meeting #	Meeting Date
11.6.1	Meeting # 17	October 19, 2023
11.6.2	Meeting # 18	October 30, 2023

**Motion Carried**

### 11.7 Executive Updates

**MOTION:** That the following Executive Updates be received as information:

11.7.1	President	November 29, 2023
11.7.2	VP Student Experience	November 29, 2023
11.7.3	VP Academic	November 29, 2023
11.7.4	VP External	November 29, 2023

**Motion Carried**

#### 11.10.1 Summary of Committee Appointments

**MOTION:** That the Summary of Committee Appointments, as presented in the Board Agenda Package, be received as information.

**Motion Carried**

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## 11.10.2 Student Events and Initiatives Funding (SEIF) Committee Minutes

**MOTION:** that the minutes for the following SEIF Committee meeting be received as information by the Board of Directors:

Agenda Item #	Meeting #	Meeting Date
11.10.2	Meeting # 1	October 25, 2023

**Motion Carried**

## 11.11.1 Fall 2023 By-Election Report

### (a) Speaking Rights: Chief Returning Officer

**WHEREAS** CSA Rules of Order, Section 3.9, states that presentations will be given a maximum of ten minutes;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that speaking rights be extended to William Coleman, Chief Returning Officer, for a presentation regarding the Fall 2023 By-Election Report.

**Motion Carried**

### b) Receive Fall 2023 By-Election Report

**MOTION:** That the Fall 2023 By-Election Report, as included in the board agenda package and as presented by William Coleman, Chief Returning Officer, be received as information.

**Motion Carried**

## 11.11.2 At-Large Director Appointments

**WHEREAS** there were four (4) vacancies for At-Large Directors on the CSA Board of Directors following the CSA Fall 2023 By-Election;

**WHEREAS** CSA Bylaw 2 (Electoral) states that if an "at-large" (elected) Board of Directors seat remains vacant following the CSA General Election in the winter semester and a By-Election in the fall semester, the CSA Board shall initiate an appointment process to fill the At-Large Representative vacancies;

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**WHEREAS** the CSA conducted a Director Appointment Process in accordance with the guidelines in CSA Bylaw 2 (Electoral);

**WHEREAS** three (3) candidates were successful in submitting a completed nomination package with 25 verified nomination signatures and a 150-word statement of interest by the prescribed deadline; and

**WHEREAS** CSA Bylaw 2 (Electoral) states that the Board of Directors members are to hold a secret ballot vote where the successful candidates are determined by a simple majority vote, and subsequently ratified and appointed to the Board;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the CSA Board of Directors hold a vote to determine the successful candidates for the following vacancies:

College of Biological Sciences	[one vacancy, two candidates]
College of Social and Applied Human Sciences	[one vacancy, one candidate]

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the following successful candidates, in accordance with the results of the secret ballot votes, are ratified as At-Large Representatives on the 2023-24 CSA Board of Directors, effective immediately:

Nour Kashlan
Reem Salloum

## Motion Carried

### 11.11.3 Appoint Member to CSA/GSA Transit Committee

**WHEREAS** the CSA/GSA Transit Committee meets monthly to discuss student feedback on the bus service provided by Guelph Transit, as well as the improvements that can be made to benefit the student users; and

**WHEREAS** membership of the CSA/GSA Transit Committee includes one CSA Director;

**MOTION:** That the following Director be appointed to the CSA/GSA Transit Committee for the remainder of the 2023-2024 academic year:

Mauricio Fernandez
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### 11.11.4 Appoint Member to Student Events and Initiatives Funding (SEIF) Committee

**WHEREAS** CSA Policy Appendix D, Section 7.3 requires a maximum of six members for the SEIF Committee, consisting of the following:

- CSA President
- One additional member of the Executive Committee
- One At-Large or College representative
- One Student Organization representative
- Up to two additional Directors

**WHEREAS** SEIF Committee Member Noam Einy has resigned from the SEIF committee, leaving a Director vacancy;

**MOTION:** That the following Director be appointed to the Student Events and Initiatives Funding Committee for the remainder of the 2023-2024 academic year:

Nate Broughton
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#### Motion Carried

### 11.11.5 Appoint Members to Clubs Conduct Tribunal

**WHEREAS** CSA Policy Appendix F – Clubs Handbook, Section 7.1.1 states that the CSA Clubs Conduct Tribunal is responsible for reviewing accreditation status of an Accredited Club to deem whether a club's accreditation status or privileges, including use of space on campus, club space, access to PDRs/funding, or collection of student fees, will be revoked, denied and/or subject to any limitations; and

**WHEREAS** CSA Policy Appendix F – Clubs Handbook, Section 7.2.2 states that membership of the tribunal shall be the Vice President Student Experience and two (2) CSA Directors appointed by the CSA Board of Directors;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Mckenna Williams, VP Student Experience, be appointed to the Clubs Conduct Tribunal for the remainder of the 2023-2024 academic year;

**AND FURTHER** that the following Directors be appointed to the Clubs Conduct Tribunal for the remainder of the 2023-2024 academic year:

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Jonah Greenhut
Abdul Rafe Khan

### Motion Carried

#### 12.11.1 PBRC Consideration of Requirements of Vice Presidents

**MOTION:** that the PBRC consider an amendment to bylaw and policy to allow for international students to take a full-time course load while serving as an Executive of the CSA;

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** that the committee report back by the first meeting of the Winter 2024 semester.

### Motion Carried

#### 11.15 Adjournment

**MOTION:** That the CSA Board of Directors Meeting # 11 on November 29, 2023, be adjourned at 8:27 pm

### Motion Carried



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## Agenda – November 29, 2023

<b>11.0</b>	<b>Call to Order</b>	
<b>11.1</b>	<b>Land Acknowledgement</b> Member Jonah Greenhut	
<b>11.2</b>	<b>Adoption of the Agenda</b> 11.2.1 Approve the Agenda 11.2.2 Declarations of Conflicts	
<b>11.3</b>	<b>Ratifications and De-Ratifications</b> 11.3.1 Ratify GRCGED Representative 11.3.2 De-Ratify Lang Student Association Representative	
<b>11.4</b>	<b>Comments from the Chair</b> 11.4.1 Introductions and Pronouns	
<b>11.5</b>	<b>Approval of Past Minutes</b> 11.5.1 Meeting # 10 – November 15, 2023	
<b>11.6</b>	<b>Executive Committee Minutes</b> 11.6.1 Meeting # 17 – October 19, 2023 11.6.2 Meeting # 18 – October 30, 2023	
<b>11.7</b>	<b>Executive Updates</b> 11.7.1 President – November 29, 2023 11.7.2 VP Student Experience – November 29, 2023 11.7.3 VP Academic – November 29, 2023 11.7.4 VP External – November 29, 2023	
<b>11.8</b>	<b>Director Reports</b>	
<b>11.9</b>	<b>CSA Service Update and Report</b>	
<b>11.10</b>	<b>Committee Updates and Reports</b> 11.10.1 Summary of Committee Appointments 11.10.2 SEIF Committee Minutes	
<b>11.11</b>	<b>Business</b> 11.11.1 Fall 2023 By-Election Report 11.11.2 At-Large Director Appointments 11.11.3 Appoint Member to CSA/GSA Transit Committee 11.11.4 Appoint Member to SEIF Committee 11.11.5 Appoint Members to Clubs Conduct Tribunal	
<b>11.12</b>	<b>New Business</b> 11.12.1 PBRC Consideration of Requirements of Vice Presidents	
<b>11.13</b>	<b>Announcements</b>	

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<b>11.14</b>	<b>In Camera Session</b>	
<b>11.15</b>	<b>Adjournment</b>	

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## Minutes – November 29, 2023

### 11.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm.

### 11.1 Land Acknowledgement

Member Jonah Greenhut delivered the following land acknowledgement:

Hi everyone, I would like to start by acknowledging the CSA board of directors is meeting tonight at the University of Guelph which is on lands covered by the 1792 Treaty 3. We are meeting on the grounds of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, Attawandaron, Haudenosaunee, Anishinabek. Today, Guelph is home to many First Nations, Metis, and Inuit peoples.

The University of Guelph and we as students of this institution must do a better job of reconciling our school's role in the history of discrimination. Guelph has a history of teaching eugenics, and we as current students have a job to recognize how education can push biases.

I want to mention that I am here tonight representing the College of Arts. There is a large trove of Indigenous art forms, whether through dance, music, art, storytelling, beading Indigenous art. It has long been a key part of culture, and it is important as a settler to this land to recognize I have engaged in art that have appropriated sacred Indigenous art forms, and to commit to learning more about Indigenous art and the true stories that act as inspiration for “western art”.

As this is the last meeting before the break, I urge everyone to take time over the holiday to learn not only about the land University of Guelph is on but wherever you call home is.

### 11.2 Adoption of the Agenda

#### 11.2.1 Approve the Agenda

**MOTION:** That the agenda for the CSA Board of Directors Meeting # 11 on November 29, 2023, be approved as printed and distributed.

**Moved:** Jonah Greenhut

**Seconded:** Jake Levy

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### Motion Carried

**MOTION TO AMEND:** that the agenda be reordered so that item **11.11.1: Fall 2023 By-Election Report** is the first item of discussion.

**Moved:** Shaima Alam, President

**Seconded:** Nate Broughton

### Motion Carried

**AMENDED MOTION:** that the agenda for the CSA Board of Directors Meeting # 11 on November 29, 2023, be approved as amended with:

- The reordering of the agenda so that item **11.11.1: Fall 2023 By-Election Report** is the first item of discussion.

### Motion Carried

## 11.2.2 Declarations of Conflicts

No declarations of conflict were made at this meeting.

## 11.3 Ratifications and De-Ratifications

### 11.3.1 Ratify GRCGED Representative

**MOTION:** That Danielle Callaghan be appointed as the Guelph Resource Centre for Gender Empowerment and Diversity representative on the 2023-24 CSA Board of Directors, effective immediately.

**Moved:** Jonah Greenhut

**Seconded:** Jayden Khan

### Motion Carried

### 11.3.2 De-Ratify Lang Students' Association Representative

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**WHEREAS** Member Ethan Gouveia has submitted his resignation from the CSA Board of Directors;

**MOTION:** That Ethan Gouveia be de-ratified as the Lang Students' Association representative on the 2023-24 CSA Board of Directors, effective immediately.

**Moved:** Jake Levy  
**Seconded:** Noam Einy

**Motion Carried**

## 11.4 Comments from the Chair

This is the last meeting of the semester. Most of the items tonight relate to committees, I will ask for volunteers for them. We will be doing multiple secret ballots to appoint at large directors.

### 11.4.1 Introductions and Pronouns

Each member provided their name, pronouns, and role on the Board.

## 11.5 Approval of Past Minutes

**MOTION:** That the Minutes be approved for the following CSA Board of Directors Meeting:

11.5.1	CSA Board Meeting # 10	November 15, 2023
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**Moved:** Jake Levy  
**Seconded:** Marcus Aldred-Ganhao

Member Levy noted that there is a misspelling with Rabbi Raphi's name. The correction will be made before posting the approved minutes.

**Motion Carried**

## 11.6 Executive Committee Minutes

**MOTION:** That the Minutes be received as information for the following Executive Committee Meetings:

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Agenda Item #	Meeting #	Meeting Date
11.6.1	Meeting # 17	October 19, 2023
11.6.2	Meeting # 18	October 30, 2023

**Moved:** Jayden Khan  
**Seconded:** Marcus Aldred-Ganhao

**Motion Carried**

## 11.7 Executive Updates

**MOTION:** That the following Executive Updates be received as information:

11.7.1	President	November 29, 2023
11.7.2	VP Student Experience	November 29, 2023
11.7.3	VP Academic	November 29, 2023
11.7.4	VP External	November 29, 2023

**Moved:** Jonah Greenhut  
**Seconded:** Noam Einy

**Motion Carried**

### 11.7.1 President

The President mentioned that the Clubs Coordinator has been hired and held last CSA Staff Orientation. Reminders for end of semester closing were given. Making several sequential posts to introduce new execs. Website digestible portfolio updated, and Instagram posts, and UC banner and kiosks. Most staff evaluations have been done, and now we have updated most service staff evaluations content.

Within weekly core staff meeting reviewed priorities of the year set in the summer and reevaluated their purpose, which ones were completed and how to accomplish. Have been updating job descriptions. Updated Student Experience Coordinator job description to be something that can continue with a VPSE present. Much more specific and structured, changing title of job as well.

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Outreach, Publicity, & Promotion: Social Media I've been doing our social media since the beginning of my term, created a whole new branding and look, created a lot of series like the weekly updates, the monthly posts, the frank Fridays, the board summaries, Mocktail Mondays, and guidelines for services.

Newsletter Sent November Newsletter with SHAC and Foodbank service spotlight. Promoted bus opt in and a lot of events, like AGM, sexy bingo, Taylor Swift Night etc. Sent an additional email day of AGM for outreach, Events Hosted sexy bingo again, with the introduction of mini games again, and for the first time with VPSE! Taylor Swift Night completed after several committee meetings and craft nights.

Imaginus Poster Sale and Excuse Me at the Bullring are two events fully coordinated by the SEC.

AGM was held and hit quorum.

For PBRC, working on policy to update organizational portfolios and match current procedures. Organizing the working group for statement making policy.

Bullring has concerts and great programming for the holidays.

Elections: Elections has closed, new executives and board elected. Got a lot of requests for forms, unfortunately, not many folks hit the 25 signatures from their college.

### 11.7.2 VP Student Experience

The VP Student Experience has been attending committee meetings. She will be attending the upcoming meetings on November 29th and December 5th to be ratified into the UC Governance Board Operations and Programming Sub-Committee and the UC Governance Board, respectively.

Black History Month Planning Committee, she has been meeting with the BHM Planning Committee for the last few weeks to discuss event planning for February 2024.

The VP Student Experience has been mainly just providing perspectives for how these events can best impact undergraduate student experience and will be assisting with event planning in the coming months. O-Week Advisory Committee (OWAC), she and

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the Student Experience Coordinator, Jack, met with OWAC to discuss what went well during this years and past years' O-Weeks and what we can do better next year.

The SEIF Committee met this week to review the last round of applications for the F23 semester.

We are planning to give out \$10 gift cards to first year students coming out of classes in Rozanski Hall, LANG, and MacKinnon. These gift cards are left over from O-Week, so we plan to target first-year students specifically to ensure that supplies purchased using the O-Week Fee come back to them.

Next week, on December 4th and 5th, we will be running two Stress Buster events. On Monday, December 4th, we will be doing Minute-To-Win-It games in the University Centre Courtyard. Students will be welcome to join in on the fun for a chance to win a coupon for a free Bullring coffee or tea.

On Tuesday, December 5th, we will be doing pictures with Santa and free hot cocoa at the UC.

### 10.7.3 VP Academic

Art in Bullring: The event happened as planned. 5 winners were announced and were given \$100 honorarium. Students enjoyed food, band, and the fabulous artwork. The winners are: "Nv Aftermath" by Ash Godley, "Fragmented" by Bella Lanci, "Current events in portrait" by Callum Hunter, "Pigeon" by Eleanor Stewart, "Your children will have protest" by Beck Stanbra.

Upcoming Stressbusters: We've been planning some fantastic stressbusters, including a photobooth with Santa, and minute-to-minute competitions. More information to come during the exam weeks in December.

Update from Information Technology Student Advisory Committee: We need students on the planning committee as we are discussing some future technological projects (Like Apps) for the betterment of the students' experience. Next meeting will in next semester. Those who are interested can email me.

Member Amayaevbo states that this is similar to the Gryphon's App.

Member Wilkinson supports this innovation as first-years student will benefit, however, making it area specific is important.



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Member Broughton states that the committee will not make the app, it is created by CCS, the committee hopes to gain feedback from students for the CCS.

The VP Student Experience states that Gryphon app has issues and creating a new one will be a good idea.

Member Greenhut asks if sitting on this committee counts as a requirement for sitting in an internal committee as this is an external position. The PTC is not sure, but our internal committees need more focus. The Chair explains that if you sit on external committees, put it on the director reports.

### 11.7.4 VP External

Staff evaluations at the FoodBank are being completed. We have been reinforcing positive gifts such as thank you cards, chocolates, candies.

There have been procedural renovations at the FoodBank and are completed. Students are fully verified. The UofG websites are being updated to display what makes a student eligible for the food bank services.

The VP External attended the conference to represent CSA. She said it was nice to vote but many motions did not pass. CSA amongst other unions in Canada are conjoined with the Canadian Federation of Students. The CFS collects a fee from unions who join the federation, they run campaigns, provide resources, supports executives, promotion (e.g. fight the fees). There are elections held for positions. The VP External won the National Women's Representative.

In caucus, they discuss motions and policies. There have been protests from Indigenous Circle Caucus and Black Student Caucus on not working decolonized systems. A walkout happened and the VP External states that it is important to stand in solidarity with folks who don't feel safe in the unions.

### 11.8 Director Reports

Member Broughton sat on IT Student Advisory Committee.

Member Wilkinson sat on the SEIF Committee and Sustainability Action Committee.

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Member Levy sat on a PBRC meeting.

Member Khan got appointed to the SEIF Committee.

## 11.10 Committee Updates and Reports

### 11.10.1 Summary of Committee Appointments

**MOTION:** That the Summary of Committee Appointments, as presented in the Board Agenda Package, be received as information.

**Moved:** Nate Broughton  
**Seconded:** Abdul Rafe-Khan

**MOTION TO AMEND:** that the previous VP Academic be removed from the committee appointments reports for future meetings.

**Moved:** Jake Levy  
**Seconded:** Jonah Greenhut

**Motion Carried**

### 11.10.2 Student Events and Initiatives Funding (SEIF) Committee Minutes

**MOTION:** that the minutes for the following SEIF Committee meeting be received as information by the Board of Directors:

Agenda Item #	Meeting #	Meeting Date
11.10.2	Meeting # 1	October 25, 2023

**Moved:** Marcus Aldred-Ganhao  
**Seconded:** Noam Einy

**Motion Carried**

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### 11.11 Business

#### 11.11.1 Fall 2023 By-Election Report

##### (a) Speaking Rights: Chief Returning Officer

**WHEREAS** CSA Rules of Order, Section 3.9, states that presentations will be given a maximum of ten minutes;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that speaking rights be extended to William Coleman, Chief Returning Officer, for a presentation regarding the Fall 2023 By-Election Report.

**Moved:** Jake Levy

**Seconded:** Marcus Aldred-Ganhao

##### **Motion Carried**

The CRO informed that students may not be aware of the role of the Board, or of the decisions that are made at the Board level. That impacts the general interest in these positions and the number of nominations that are received. Recommendation: That students are made more aware of the function of the Board, and the decisions that are made. Promotion should include an outline of the Board meeting agendas and a general idea of the composition of the Board. This recommendation is made both due to general engagement and interest in nominations, as well as to improve the transparency of the Board.

Signatures were collected using Microsoft Forms, and a custom form was created for each candidate. Candidates could request updates from the CRO at any time throughout the nomination process, and they would be sent their total signature count at that time. One candidate withdrew from the election before the start of the campaigning period. Recommendation: That more efficient methods of signature verification should be considered, with respect to the security of student data, and the position of the ARO. Recommendation: That the clarity of the nomination form be improved to ensure that all nominators enter the correct 7-digit University student number.

Campaign materials were approved by the CRO and ARO. Promotional Services brought some concerns forward about the use of the CSA logo and branding on Elections posters. One candidate and the Referendum team requested to paint the Cannon to promote their campaign. Designs were approved following the general policies for campaign posters; however, a clearer policy is needed. One candidate withdrew from the election before the beginning of the voting period. Recommendation: That CSA Promotional Services works with the Elections Office to ensure that campaign poster guidelines are consistent with the updated CSA Brand Guide. Recommendation: That the

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Elections Policy be updated to include policies related to painting the Cannon for the purpose of campaigning, including guidelines for approving designs.

It was also noted by the Elections Office that promotional materials from the Arboretum Referendum were being re-posted by several groups that did not hold an approved endorsement. Although it was decided to not be in violation of elections policy, it did create confusion surrounding regulations on social media and campaign endorsements for Referendum campaigns. Recommendation: That the Elections Office and the Policy and Transition Coordinator plan and create a more secure and functional ballot system for the Winter 2024 General Election. Recommendation: That in-person tables continue to be used as a method of student engagement for elections. And further: That the Winter 2024 General Election ballot includes an additional question asking where the students accessed the ballot from. Recommendation: That the Chief Returning Officer and Student Experience Coordinator work to hire temporary table staff that will be actively engaged in promoting the election. Recommendation: That the policies on campaign endorsements for Referendum campaigns be reviewed to increase clarity about re-posting campaign materials.

The Board of Directors passed a resolution for its' members to do Elections class talks throughout the nomination and voting periods. However, since few Directors reported class talks to the Elections Office, we are unsure as to how many participated. Recommendation: That the Board continues to participate in class talks and must report them to the CRO by email.

### **b) Receive Fall 2023 By-Election Report**

**MOTION:** That the Fall 2023 By-Election Report, as included in the board agenda package and as presented by William Coleman, Chief Returning Officer, be received as information.

**Moved:** Jake Levy

**Seconded:** Nate Broughton

**Motion Carried**

### **11.11.2 At-Large Director Appointments**

**WHEREAS** there were four (4) vacancies for At-Large Directors on the CSA Board of Directors following the CSA Fall 2023 By-Election;

**WHEREAS** CSA Bylaw 2 (Electoral) states that if an "at-large" (elected) Board of Directors seat remains vacant following the CSA General Election in the winter

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semester and a By-Election in the fall semester, the CSA Board shall initiate an appointment process to fill the At-Large Representative vacancies;

**WHEREAS** the CSA conducted a Director Appointment Process in accordance with the guidelines in CSA Bylaw 2 (Electoral);

**WHEREAS** three (3) candidates were successful in submitting a completed nomination package with 25 verified nomination signatures and a 150-word statement of interest by the prescribed deadline; and

**WHEREAS** CSA Bylaw 2 (Electoral) states that the Board of Directors members are to hold a secret ballot vote where the successful candidates are determined by a simple majority vote, and subsequently ratified and appointed to the Board;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the CSA Board of Directors hold a vote to determine the successful candidates for the following vacancies:

College of Biological Sciences	Nour Kashlan
College of Social and Applied Human Sciences	Reem Salloum

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the following successful candidates, in accordance with the results of the secret ballot votes, are ratified as At-Large Representatives on the 2023-24 CSA Board of Directors, effective immediately:

Reem Salloum
Nour Kashlan

**Moved:** Shaima Alam, President

**Seconded:** Jonah Greenhut

**Motion Carried**

**MOTION:** to move to a Committee of the Whole for the duration of **item 11.11.2**

**Moved:** Jake Levy

**Seconded:** Nate Broughton

The Chair explained it is easier to proceed in conducting two separate ballots in choosing the candidates.

**Motion Carried**

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**MOTION:** to move to recess until the Board have enough time to read all candidates' statements.

**Moved:** Jonah Greenhut  
**Seconded:** Nate Broughton

**Motion Carried**

**MOTION:** to close the Committee of the Whole

**Moved:** Noam Einy  
**Seconded:** Jake Levy

**Motion Carried**

### 11.11.3 Appoint Member to CSA/GSA Transit Committee

**WHEREAS** the CSA/GSA Transit Committee meets monthly to discuss student feedback on the bus service provided by Guelph Transit, as well as the improvements that can be made to benefit the student users; and

**WHEREAS** membership of the CSA/GSA Transit Committee includes one CSA Director;

**MOTION:** That the following Director be appointed to the CSA/GSA Transit Committee for the remainder of the 2023-2024 academic year:

Mauricio Fernandez
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**Moved:** Samar Tariq, VP External  
**Seconded:** Mauricio Fernandez

The Guelph Transit Contract is the largest contract CSA has: \$420,000 annually. There are discussions surrounding future projects, renovating bus shelters, and promotions on buses.

**Motion Carried**

### 11.11.4 Appoint Member to Student Events and Initiatives Funding (SEIF) Committee

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**WHEREAS** CSA Policy Appendix D, Section 7.3 requires a maximum of six members for the SEIF Committee, consisting of the following:

- CSA President
- One additional member of the Executive Committee
- One At-Large or College representative
- One Student Organization representative
- Up to two additional Directors

**WHEREAS** SEIF Committee Member Noam Einy has resigned from the SEIF committee, leaving a Director vacancy;

**MOTION:** That the following Director be appointed to the Student Events and Initiatives Funding Committee for the remainder of the 2023-2024 academic year:

Nate Broughton
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**Moved:** Shaima Alam, President

**Seconded:** Jonah Greenhut

Two members volunteered, so a secret ballot vote was held to determine the appointee.

**Motion Carried**

### 11.11.5 Appoint Members to Clubs Conduct Tribunal

**WHEREAS** CSA Policy Appendix F – Clubs Handbook, Section 7.1.1 states that the CSA Clubs Conduct Tribunal is responsible for reviewing accreditation status of an Accredited Club to deem whether a club's accreditation status or privileges, including use of space on campus, club space, access to PDRs/funding, or collection of student fees, will be revoked, denied and/or subject to any limitations; and

**WHEREAS** CSA Policy Appendix F – Clubs Handbook, Section 7.2.2 states that membership of the tribunal shall be the Vice President Student Experience and two (2) CSA Directors appointed by the CSA Board of Directors;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Mckenna Williams, VP Student Experience, be appointed to the Clubs Conduct Tribunal for the remainder of the 2023-2024 academic year;

**AND FURTHER** that the following Directors be appointed to the Clubs Conduct Tribunal for the remainder of the 2023-2024 academic year:

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Jonah Greenhut
Abdul Rafe Khan

**Moved:** Shaima Alam, President  
**Seconded:** Jake Levy

Three members volunteered, so a secret ballot vote was held to determine the appointees.

**Motion Carried**

### 11.12. New Business

**MOTION:** to reconsider the agenda

**Moved:** Simran Kalra  
**Seconded:** Marcus Aldred-Ganhao

Member Kalra explained that according to immigration laws in Canada, if you are an international student, you are required to take a full-time course load and that would prevent you from running for any of the executive positions. According to the CSA bylaws, you are only allowed to take two courses or maybe one. If you do not take a full-time course load, you are not allowed to continue your studies as an international student. Member Kalra has been trying to bring forward this motion with no success for several months. She hopes everyone will reconsider the agenda to address this issue.

Member Greenhut raised a point of information to ask what the member meant when stating that she has been trying to bring the motion forward in prior months.

Member Kalra explained that she has had conversations with members of the executive team who have expressed that they don't think this motion would be possible in practice.

The VP Student Experience motivated against bringing this item forward presently, noting that this is large discussion as it likely isn't feasible under the current operational structure, and it would be better served after first developing the motion.

**MOTION:** to call the question

**Moved:** Daniel Neiterman  
**Seconded:** Jake Levy



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### Motion Carried

**MOTION:** to reconsider the agenda.

### Motion Carried

**MOTION:** to suspend the rules of order.

**Moved:** Marcus Aldred-Ganhao

**Seconded:** Naomi Amayaevbo

### Motion Carried

**MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA:** to add new business item **11.12.1: PBRC Consideration of Requirements of Vice Presidents** to the agenda.

**Moved:** Simran Kalra

**Seconded:** Marcus Aldred-Ganhao

### Motion Carried

#### 11.12.1 PBRC Consideration of Requirements of Vice Presidents

**MOTION:** that the PBRC consider an amendment to bylaw and policy to allow for international students to take a full-time course load while serving as a Vice President of the CSA.

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** that the committee report back by the first meeting of the Winter 2024 semester.

**Moved:** Simran Kalra

**Seconded:** Marcus Aldred-Ganhao

**MOTION TO AMEND:** to change Vice President of the CSA to Executive of the CSA.

**Moved:** Daniel Neiterman

**Seconded:** Jake Levy

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Member Neiterman motivated that it makes sense to apply the change to all Executive positions if it's going to be made, rather than just the Vice President positions.

Member Greenhut inquired if the same time commitment applies to all Executive positions. The President confirmed that the commitment is the same.

The VP External added that the requirement is a minimum of 37.5 hours weekly, and Executives are expected to work beyond that.

### **Motion Carried**

Jake Levy reminded members that PBRC meetings are open to guests, so board members can attend and bring their ideas to the meeting. In the interest of time, they don't have to voice all their thoughts at the meeting tonight. Members have to attend 2 PBRC meetings to be ratified as a member and made eligible to vote on items.

The President motivated that the root of this topic is not international students but rather operational requirements. She has been aiming to create new permanent staff positions as the workload is already too high for the current staff team and the 4 executives that we have. She noted that 12-hour days are typical within her role as President. She emphasized that she would like to add 3 new full-time staff positions in addition to a potential 5th executive position, given that the CSA is constantly overwhelmed with work. She noted that currently international students have the option of running for an executive position in their last semester of schooling, as the previous VP Academic did. She noted that she is in favour of more diversity in the CSA, but this would be a longer-term plan as there isn't the capacity for this change currently. The executives supervise the core staff team who work primarily from 9 to 5, meaning that the executives should also be present at the office from 9 to 5, rather than be in class.

Member Amayaevbo expressed that international students have more experience with work-life balance and adaptability than domestic students, given the strict requirements in reference to their study permits and scholarships.

Member Kalra agreed with the previous point and drew from her experience maintaining a high average while working multiple jobs and sitting on various committees and boards on campus.

**MOTION:** to call the question

**Moved:** Marcus Aldred-Ganhao

**Seconded:** Jake Levy

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### Motion Carried

**AMENDED MOTION:** that the PBRC consider an amendment to bylaw and policy to allow for international students to take a full-time course load while serving as an Executive of the CSA.

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** that the committee report back by the first meeting of the Winter 2024 semester.

### Motion Carried

#### 11.13 Announcements

Members provided personal updates and information regarding their involvement in groups on campus.

The PTC thanked everyone for attending the AGM and attending the meetings throughout the semester.

The President, Shaima Alam, thanked everyone for attending the AGM.

Member Neiterman stated that there is a Tax Bank run by accounting students that offers a tax clinic on-campus and in the community, he hopes board members will promote this initiative.

Member Khan wished everyone good luck on the exams and have a good winter break.

Member Einy went into a vet outreach event, and it was a nice experience.

Member Aldred-Ganhao states there is a table tops game occurring right now.

Member Ratnarajah says there's a One Dollar Yard Sale event on December 1 and all proceeds goes toward UNICEF. If you buy an item, you will enter a giveaway for Guelph merch or a pair of Sony headphones.

Member Greenhut wished everyone a good holiday.

The Chair thanked everyone and wished them a good rest of the semester.

#### 11.14 In Camera

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No In-Camera session was held at this meeting.

## 11.15 Adjournment

**MOTION:** That the CSA Board of Directors Meeting # 11 on November 29, 2023 be adjourned at 8:27 pm.

**Moved:** Jake Levy

**Seconded:** Simran Kalra

**Motion Carried**

**Approved by the Board of Directors**

**Date: January 17, 2024**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cameron Olesen  
Board Chair

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Colleen Bovay  
Policy & Transition Coordinator