Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting # 1

September 3, 2020 – 7:00 pm

Microsoft Teams

Attendance

Board of Directors			
At-Large (Elected) Representatives		**Present / Regrets**	**Arrived / Departed**
Areej Amer	College of Arts Student Union		
Bella Harris	College of Arts Student Union		
Katy Oada	College of Biological Science Student Council	Present	
Maya Persram	College of Biological Science Student Council	Present	
Laura Wilson	College of Social and Applied Human Sciences Student Alliance	Present	Arrived 7:11
Jessica Krawitz	College of Social and Applied Human Sciences Student Alliance	Present	
VACANT	Ontario Veterinary College Central Veterinary Student Association		
Member College Government Representatives (Appointed)		**Present / Regrets**	**Arrived / Departed**
Manseerat Uppal	College of Arts Student Union	Present	
Kristine Sondergaard	College of Biological Science Student Council		
Olivia Parker	College of Engineering and Physical Sciences Student Council	Present	
Bailey Hussey	College of Social and Applied Human Sciences Student Alliance	Present	
Tori Wakeford	Gordon S. Lang School of Business and Economics Student Association	Present	
Kendra Cornelissen	Ontario Agricultural College Student Federation	Present	
VACANT	Ontario Veterinary College Central Veterinary Student Association		
Student Organization Representatives (Appointed)		**Present / Regrets**	**Arrived / Departed**
Jena-Lee Ashley	Aboriginal Student Association	Present	
Briana Green-Ince	Guelph Black Students Association	Present	
Alan Negrin	Guelph Queer Equality		
Jaskiran Sethi	Guelph Resource Centre for Gender Empowerment and Diversity		
Lori-Ann Grossett	International Student Organization	Present	

Anum Anjum	Interhall Council	Present	
VACANT	Guelph Campus Co-op		
VACANT	Ontario Public Interest Research Group (OPIRG)		
Sooraj Modi	Student Senate Caucus	Present	
Cameron Stotts	Board of Governors		
Executive (Ex-officio, non-voting)		**Present / Regrets**	**Arrived / Departed**
Tyler Poirier	President	Present	
Sara Kuwatly	Vice President Student Experience	Present	
VACANT	Vice President Academic		
Horeen Hasan	Vice President External	Present	

Guests	**Affiliation**
Patrick MacCarthy	CSA Chief Returning Officer (CRO)

Staff	**Position**
Cameron Olesen	Chair
Pete Wobschall	Policy & Transition Manager
Sarah Dias	Scribe

Summary of Significant Resolutions

1.5. Approval of Past Board Minutes

MOTION: That the Minutes be approved for the following meetings:

1.5.1. Board Meeting # 10 – February 5, 2020 (Revised at February 26, 2020 Board Meeting)
1.5.2. Board Meeting # 11 – February 26, 2020(Revised at March 11, 2020 Board Meeting)
1.5.3 Board Meeting # 12 – March 11, 2020

Motion carried.

1.5.4. Receive 2020 AGM Minutes (February 12, 2020)

MOTION: That the Minutes be received for the 2020 AGM held on February 12, 2020.

Motion carried.

1.7. Executive Updates

MOTION: To receive the following Executive Updates as information:

1.7.1. President
1.7.2. VP Student Experience
1.7.3. VP Academic
1.7.4. VP External

Motion carried.

1.10. Committee Updates and Reports

MOTION: That the Policy & Bylaw Review Committee (PBRC) Minutes from April 15, 2020 be received as information at the CSA Board of Directors Meeting on September 3, 2020.

Motion carried.

1.10.2. Appoint members to the CSA Student FoodBank Committee

MOTION: To Appoint Directors to FoodBank Committee**.**

> **WHEREAS** the CSA Student FoodBank Committee plays in important part in all Student Food Bank Operations and decision making, as referenced under 3.4. FoodBank Committee under Appendix A – Internal CSA Policy.
>
> **RESOLVED** that the CSA Board of Directors appoint the following Director(s) to the FoodBank Committee for the 2020-2021 academic year at this meeting on September 3, 2020:
>
> - Jessica Krawitz
> - Briana Green-Ince
> - Manseerat Uppal

Motion carried.

1.10.3. Appoint members to the CSA Bike Centre Committee

MOTION: To Appoint Directors to Bike Centre Committee.

> **WHEREAS** the CSA Bike Centre Committee plays an important part in all Bike Centre operations and decision making, as referenced under 3.2. Bike Centre Committee under Appendix A – Internal CSA Policy.
>
> **RESOLVED** that the CSA Board of Directors appoint the following Director(s) to the CSA Bike Centre Committee for the 2020-2021 academic year at this Board of Directors meeting on September 3, 2020:
>
> - Jena-Lee Ashely
> - Tyler Poirier, President

Motion carried.

1.10.4. Appoint members to the UoG's ITSAC Committee

MOTION: To Appoint CS Representative to the University of Guelph's Information Technology Student Advisory Committee (ITSAC)

WHEREAS the University of Guelph's Information Technology Student Advisory Committee (ITSAC) has contacted the CSA requesting a CSA member to serve on their Board of Directors throughout the 2020-2021 academic year;

WHEREAS ITSAC was established in 2002 to offer a forum for students and IT staff to discuss campus technology priorities and issues;

WHEREAS ITSAC's membership includes representatives from college student governments across campus as well as members at large to discuss current and new IT initiatives and is mandated to submit a report each year.

RESOLVED: that the following person represent the CSA on the ITSAC Board of Directors:

- Katy Oada

Motion carried.

1.11.2. Guelph Black Student's Association Letter & List of Demands

MOTION: to support the Guelph Black Student's Association Letter & List of Demands.

WHEREAS the CSA's Mandate is to "Represent and amplify the voice of undergraduate students at the University of Guelph, particularly to decision makers;" and to "Contribute to a positive atmosphere of acceptance, inclusion, belonging and safety on campus";

WHEREAS APPENDIX I: Section 2.1 states that "The CSA endorses and will work to enact the following Declaration of Student Rights: We declare that a full policy of non-discrimination against students must be enforced at all educational institutions within Canadian society. Further, every person has the right to equal treatment without being discriminated against because of race, national or ethnic origin, religion, sex, gender orientation, ability, family status, sexual orientation, political belief or socio- economic background.";

WHEREAS APPENDIX I: Section 2.3.: The CSA endorses and will work to enact the following Declaration of Rights of Racialized students: The right of racialized students to organize as racialized people, since organizations pertaining to racialized people within

the student movement are necessary to actively raise the issues faced by racialized students, to provide a place for racialized people to develop organizational and political skills, and to provide a forum where racialized people can develop a sense of unity and cooperation";

WHEREAS APPENDIX I: Section 2.3 states "The right of racialized students to a students' union which recognizes, promotes and funds an organization for racialized people on campus to facilitate involvement in issues pertaining to racialized people"; and

WHEREAS APPENDIX I: Section 2.3 states "The right to an educational environment free of racist harassment, and racial violence"

RESOLVED: that the Central Student Association fully supports the undated letter and list of demands sent from the Guelph Black Students Association (GBSA) addressed to the University of Guelph Administration.

Motion Carried.

1.11.3. CSA Response to ASA's letter addressing concerns regarding CSA actions during the Experience Guelph Job Fair 2020 held on March 4, 2020.

MOTION: to extend the deadline for the CSA's response letter.

WHEREAS at their meeting on March 11, 2020, the CSA Board of Directors directed the Executive Committee to consult the Aboriginal Student Association (ASA) and develop a response to the ASA's letter in response to the CSA's actions during the Experience Guelph Job Fair in March 2020, and present the CSA's response to the Board of Directors at their next meeting;

WHEREAS consultation with the ASA has been delayed due to significant operating impacts caused by Covid-19 and to the Vice President Academic (VPA) position vacancy.

WHEREAS the Board of Directors has not met since the March 11, 2020 meeting until this date September 3, 2020; and

WHEREAS the Executive Committee continues to consult the ASA to develop the CSA response letter.

RESOLVED that the Executive Committee be provided with an extension to complete their consultation with the ASA and present the final letter to the Board of Directors on its meeting of September 30, 2020.

Motion Carried.

Agenda # 1 – September 3, 2020

1.0. Call to Order

1.1. Land Acknowledgement
Anum Anjum

1.2. Adoption of the Agenda
1.2.1. Approve the Agenda
1.2.2. Declarations of Conflicts

1.3. Ratifications and De-Ratifications
1.3.1. Ratification of Directors

1.4. Comments from the Chair
1.4.1. Introductions and Pronouns

1.5. Approval of Past Board Minutes
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1.7. Executive Updates
- 1.7.1. President
- 1.7.2. VP Student Experience
- ~~1.7.3. VP Academic~~ [currently a vacant position]
- 1.7.4. VP External

1. 8. Director Reports

1. 9. CSA Services Update and Report

1.10. Committee Updates and Reports
- 1.10.1. Policy & Bylaw Review Committee (PBRC) Minutes – April 15, 2020
- 1.10.2. Appoint members to the CSA Student FoodBank Committee
- 1.10.3. Appoint members to the CSA Bike Centre Committee
- 1.10.4. Appoint members to the UoG's ITSAC Committee

1.11. Business
- 1.11.1. Board Meeting Schedule 2020-2021
- 1.11.2. Guelph Black Student's Association Letter & List of Demands
- 1.11.3. CSA Response to ASA's letter addressing concerns regarding CSA actions during the Experience Guelph Job Fair 2020 held on March 4, 2020.
- 1.11.4. CSA Fall 2020 By-Election Report from CRO (Patrick MacCarthy):
  a) Verbal Report (10-minute maximum)
  b) 2020 Fall By-Election Suspend Policies
  c) 2020 Fall By-Election Suspend Bylaw
- 1.11.5. CSA Fall 2020 By-Election Candidate's Package
- 1.11.6. Electronic Board Meeting Polices & Procedures

1.12. New Business
- 1.12.1.

1.13. Announcements

1.14. *In Camera* Session
- 1.14.1 February, 26 2020 CSA Board Meeting In Camera Minutes

1.15. Adjournment

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1.0. Call to Order

Meeting is called to order at 7:09 pm.

1.1. Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that the University of Guelph sits on the ancestral lands of the neutral people and the treaty lands of the Mississaugas of the Credit. We also acknowledge the significance of the Dish with One Spoon Covenant and respect our Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, and Metis neighbors, as we strive to strengthen our relationships between indigenous people and settlers. Currently, as we all are at our own homes which may not be in Guelph, we must acknowledge that regardless of where we are, the land we reside on is ancestral to indigenous people. We mourn the loss of life, identity, independence, and culture of indigenous people which was imposed to secure this land for the use of settlers. Further, territory acknowledgment is a way that people move forward an awareness of Indigenous presence and land rights in everyday life. For respect, we need to be intentional in these land acknowledgments as this is a time to give thanks and consider our role on this ground. With this, we must always remember where we walk and its relationship with indigenous people.

Anum Anjum
Vice-President Communications 2020/2021
Interhall Council

1.2. Adoption of the Agenda

1.2.1. Approve the Agenda

MOTION: That the agenda for the CSA Board of Directors Meeting on **September 3, 2020**, be approved as printed and distributed.

Moved: Jessica Krawritz
Seconded: Jena-Lee Ashley

MOTION TO AMEND: To reorder the agenda so that **Item 1.11.6 Electronic Board Meeting Polices & Procedures** follows **Item 1.4.1 Introductions and Pronouns**.

Moved: Jessica Krawtiz

Seconded: Sooraj Modi

Motion to Amend Agenda carried.

MOTION TO AMEND: To reorder the agenda so that the following items follow **Item 1.4.1 Introductions and Pronouns**:

1.11.4. CSA Fall 2020 By-Election Report from CRO (Patrick MacCarthy):
   a) Verbal Report (10 minute maximum)
   b) 2020 Fall By-Election Suspend Policies
   c) 2020 Fall By-Election Suspend Bylaw

1.11.5. CSA Fall 2020 By-Election Candidate's Package

Moved: VP Student Experience
Seconded: Sooraj Modi

Motion to Amend Agenda carried.

AMENDED MOTION: That the agenda for the CSA Board of Directors Meeting on **September 3, 2020**, be approved with the following changes:

- To reorder the agenda so that **Item 1.11.6 Electronic Board Meeting Polices & Procedures** follows **Item 1.4.1 Introductions and Pronouns**.
- To reorder the agenda so that the items 1.11.4. and 1.11.5. follow **Item 1.4.1 Introductions and Pronouns**.

Amended Motion to Approve Agenda carried.

1.2.2. Declarations of Conflicts

No conflicts declared.

1.3. Ratifications and De-Ratifications

1.3.1. Ratification of Directors

1.4. Comments from the Chair

Chair: I want to thank everyone for dealing with us, as we move forward, we need to make sure everyone is a member of the board. As well, I will try to keep everyone informed, there are a few changes to the agenda tonight, and some items which are related to suspending bylaws that cannot be discussed tonight as they need one week's notice, but they are important to have a look at tonight, even though cannot be discussed until the next meeting.

1.4.1. Introductions and Pronouns

Everyone introduces themselves and shares their pronouns and roles on the board.

1.11.6. Electronic Board Meeting Polices & Procedures

MOTION regarding Electronic Board Meeting Polices & Procedures

WHEREAS the CSA Board of Directors recognizes the benefits of meeting face-to-face compared to meeting electronically (virtually);

WHEREAS the CSA Board of Directors has exclusively conducted face-to-face board meetings in the past;

WHEREAS CSA bylaws and policies, including the CSA Rules of Order, do not consider or mention electronic meetings, or electronic voting by the CSA Board of Directors;

WHEREAS some CSA policies and bylaws are affected by the requirement to hold electronic meetings and require revision to in order to conduct an electronic CSA Board Meeting;

WHEREAS the University of Guelph's COVID-19 response requires that the CSA Board of Directors meets electronically (i.e. not face-to-face);

WHEREAS Bylaw 1- Organizational, Section 12.0. Adoption and Amendments of Bylaws, Subsection 12.2., and Bylaw 4 – Policy of the CSA, Section 2.0. Establishment, Amendment, Suspension or Rescindment of Policy both require one meeting notice prior to any bylaw or policy changes;

WHEREAS it is necessary for the CSA to temporarily change policy and bylaws in order to carry out CSA Board of Directors business until face-to-face meetings are permitted by the University of Guelph and the CSA;

WHEREAS the Ontario Not-for-Profit Act 2010 permits electronic meetings and electronic voting by the Board of Directors;

RESOLVED:

That the requirement of one meeting notice as identified in Bylaw 1- Organizational, Section 12.0. Adoption and Amendments of Bylaws, Subsection 12.2., and Bylaw 4 – Policy of the CSA, Section 2.0. Establishment, Amendment, Suspension or Rescindment of Policy be suspended for the purposes of approving the following resolutions listed below.

That until such a time that the University of Guelph, and the CSA permits face-to-face Board of Directors meetings to resume:

a) The following CSA Policies from the CSA Rules of Order be suspended:
   i) 3.12. Secret Ballot Vote,
   ii) 6.2. In Camera Minutes, Subsection 6.2.4.
b) The suspended policies listed in item a) above be replaced with the revised policies as identified in the attached CSA Electronic Meeting Protocol 2020-2021 200831 document.
c) The Policy & Bylaw Review Committee (PBRC):
   i) Conduct an internal and external evaluation of the benefits and challenges of electronic meetings, electronic voting, and of individuals participating electronically during face-to-face meetings, and

      Report back to the Board of Directors by the end of the November 2020 with policy, bylaw and procedural recommendations on conducting CSA Board of Director meetings beyond the end of the COVID-19 restrictions on face-to-face meetings

The Policy & Transition Manager and Chair explain that CSA policy states that any change to bylaw or policy requires one week notice to the board. Therefore this motion can only be discussed at the next Board Meeting. The PTM indicated that they would arrange a meeting for the following week, with Wednesday September 9, 2020 likely being the best date.

1.11.4. CSA Fall 2020 By-Election Report from Chief Returning Officer (CRO) (Patrick MacCarthy):

1.11.4. a) Verbal Report from CRO (10-minute maximum)

MOTION: To extend speaking rights to the Chief Returning Officer (CRO) for the purpose of discussion

Moved: Sara Kuwatly, VP Student Experience
Seconded: Sooraj Modi

Motion carried

The Chief Returning Officer (CRO), Patrick McCarthy, presents the fall election package and summaries his report provided with the Board Package.

Patrick McCarthy: We need to have a by-election to fill the VP Academic position which is currently vacant, this position is full time and is essential to our organization. We also need to fill some elected positions on the board, in the LANG school of business, in the college of engineering and physical sciences, in the agriculture college and in the veterinary college. In total there are 8 board positions and then the VP Academic position. I want to highlight that everything will be conducted electronically, we will have virtual meetings where we can explain how we will conduct campaigning. We will also allow for much more social media use. There will be no poster runs and no class talks, however we are looking to do virtual class talks or posting on CourseLink. Another thing I would like to highlight is maintaining the budget, so instead of being a cash budget it will be reimburse budget, so candidates will have expenses and then we will reimburse them, that way no face to face cash transactions. There may be accessibility issues with that, but I will be helping candidates who may require more accommodations when this comes up. The goal would be to have an election to be completed by beginning of October so that we could ratify the new members at the October 13th board meeting. In order to have this election, we are hoping to suspend some policies since they are no longer really achievable in the current situation we are in. We are asking you to suspend the policies for this specific byelection only, not to have them changed forever. We are hoping to suspend the quorum bylaw, as we don't really know what the semester will look like, and even when things were normal we still struggled to meet quorum, and now since we cannot interact in person we ask for this quorum to be suspended. As you will see from the revised Candidates Package it has been amended by bylaw and policy committee which we reviewed in the spring. There are some tentative things in there that will be updated as you folks approve different agenda items tonight. Thank you for listening.

Chair: Thank you so much, CRO.

1.11.4.b. 2020 Fall By-Election Suspend Policies &
1.11.4.c. 2020 Fall By-Election Suspend Bylaw

Both 1.11.4.b. and 1.11.4.c were tabled as they included policy or bylaw changes, which by CSA policy require one meeting notice to the board before discussion.

1.5. Approval of Past Board Minutes

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1.5.3 Board Meeting # 12 – March 11, 2020

Moved: Maya Perseram
Seconded: Tyler Poirier, President

Modi: can we abstain, or is it just yay or nay
Chair: not giving a like is an abstain, the motion is just procedural, just for record purposes.

Motion Carried

1.5.4. Receive 2020 AGM Minutes (February 12, 2020)

MOTION: That the Minutes be received for the 2020 AGM held on February 12, 2020.

Moved: Katy Oada
Seconded: Jena-Lee Ashley

Motion carried

1.6. Executive Committee Minutes

The Chair began going through the list of each meeting minutes, one meeting at a time. The following motion was made after a few dates were listed and there were no questions from the Board.

MOTION: To limit discussion of Executive Committee minutes to no discussion.

Moved: Horeen Hassan, VP
Seconded: Jena-Lee Ashely

Motion carried

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

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Moved: Sara Kuwatly, VP Student Experience
Seconded: Bailey Hussey

Motion carried

1.7. Executive Updates

1.7.1. President

Thank you everyone for being here! I am so excited we are all here, if anyone has any questions about what is in my agenda, please let me know.

1.7.2. VP Student Experience

So excited to be here. All of my updates are in my report, expect for the August one, I was unable to provide that due to an issue with my internet, but my next update will include all the exciting O week information.

~~1.7.3.~~ ~~VP Academic~~ [currently a vacant position]

1.7.4. VP External

My name is Horeen, and I am humbled to be re-elected, and very excited to get to know you all and advocate for the needs of all the students. Covid-19 has been an interesting ride, but I am excited to work with you all. My report is rather lengthy, so please reach out if you have any questions, and we can set up an appointment as well, just reach out to me.

MOTION: To receive the executive updates as information

Moved: Jessica Krawitz
Seconded: Maya Persaram

Motion carried

1. 8. Director Reports

Briana Green-Ince: I sat on the transit committee with the CSA president and CSA VP External, we discussed the changes for the school year, and you will see this as public information now.

1. 9. CSA Services Update and Report

No updates were provided from Directors.

1.10. Committee Updates and Reports

1.10.1. Policy & Bylaw Review Committee (PBRC) Minutes – April 15, 2020

MOTION: That the Policy & Bylaw Review Committee (PBRC) Minutes from April 15, 2020 be received as information at the CSA Board of Directors Meeting on September 3, 2020.

Moved: Maya Persaram
Seconded: Sooraj Modi

Motion carried

1.10.2. Appoint members to the CSA Student FoodBank Committee

MOTION: To Appoint Directors to FoodBank Committee.

WHEREAS the CSA Student FoodBank Committee plays in important part in all Student Food Bank Operations and decision making, as referenced under 3.4. FoodBank Committee under Appendix A – Internal CSA Policy.

RESOLVED that the CSA Board of Directors appoint the following Director(s) to the FoodBank Committee for the 2020-2021 academic year at this meeting on September 3, 2020:

- Jessica Krawitz
- Briana Green-Ince
- Manseerat Uppal

Moved: Jessica Krawitz
Seconded: Horeen Hassan, VP External

Motion carried

1.10.3. Appoint members to the CSA Bike Centre Committee

MOTION: To Appoint Directors to Bike Centre Committee.

WHEREAS the CSA Bike Centre Committee plays an important part in all Bike Centre operations and decision making, as referenced under 3.2. Bike Centre Committee under Appendix A – Internal CSA Policy.

RESOLVED that the CSA Board of Directors appoint the following Director(s) to the CSA Bike Centre Committee for the 2020-2021 academic year at this Board of Directors meeting on September 3, 2020:

- Jena-Lee Ashely
- Tyler Poirier, President

Moved: Horreen Hassan, VP External
Seconded: Maya Persram

Motion carried

1.10.4. Appoint members to the UoG's ITSAC Committee

MOTION: To Appoint CS Representative to the University of Guelph's Information Technology Student Advisory Committee (ITSAC)

WHEREAS the University of Guelph's Information Technology Student Advisory Committee (ITSAC) has contacted the CSA requesting a CSA member to serve on their Board of Directors throughout the 2020-2021 academic year;

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WHEREAS ITSAC's membership includes representatives from college student governments across campus as well as members at large to discuss current and new IT initiatives and is mandated to submit a report each year.

RESOLVED that the following person represent the CSA on the ITSAC Board of Directors:

- Katy Oada

Moved: Tyler Poirier, President
Seconded: Sara Kuwatly, VP Student Experience

Motion carried

1.11. Business

1.11.1. Board Meeting Schedule 2020-2021

MOTION: That the Board of Directors Meeting Schedule, 2020-2021, be approved as presented at the Board Meeting on September 3, 2020.

Moved: Maya Persaram
Seconded: Lori Grossett

Motion carried

1.11.2. Guelph Black Student's Association Letter & List of Demands

MOTION: To extend speaking rights to Chioma Nwebube (from the Guelph's Black Student's Association) to speak on item 1.11.2.

Moved: Horeen Hassan, VP External
Seconded: Sara Kuwatly, VP Student Experience

Motion carried

Chioma Nwebube: I'm here to talk about the motion to sign off on the GBSA's letter. So we wrote our letter as black students, for the years of disrespect and disregard on campus by the administration. For years they have not listened to our pleas for change, and the climate of racism on our school has not been altered, so we are asking for support from other student groups, this is really needed, especially since the CSA holds so much weight at the school and so much power. It would make a huge difference, I feel as if you sign off on this letter then the administration would be quicker to make changes for black students.

MOTION: Guelph Black Student's Association Letter & List of Demands

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RESOLVED: that the Central Student Association fully supports the undated letter and list of demands sent from the Guelph Black Students Association (GBSA) addressed to the University of Guelph Administration.

Moved: Maya Persaram
Seconded: Sara Kuwatly, VP Student Experience

Members discussed differences between anti racism course for credit and the training module, both intended to make students more engaged and move past their own biases. Members discussed how defunding the police would look like, some members raise concerns about students feeling unsafe without police. The Guelph Black Student Association recently had a conversation about police defunding and the impact on the students, they believe that hiring people on restorative justice practice will increase safety on campus, defunding is a lot of work, but it is important to have these conversations started in order to see change. Members of the board discussed importance for the CSA to support this letter and to stand in solidarity with black students.

Motion carried

1.11.3. CSA Response to ASA's letter addressing concerns regarding CSA actions during the Experience Guelph Job Fair 2020 held on March 4, 2020.

WHEREAS at their meeting on March 11, 2020, the CSA Board of Directors directed the Executive Committee to consult the Aboriginal Student Association (ASA) and develop a response to the ASA's letter in response to the CSA's actions during the Experience

Guelph Job Fair in March 2020, and present the CSA's response to the Board of Directors at their next meeting;

WHEREAS consultation with the ASA has been delayed due to significant operating impacts caused by Covid-19 and to the Vice President Academic (VPA) position vacancy.

WHEREAS the Board of Directors has not met since the March 11, 2020 meeting until this date September 3, 2020; and

WHEREAS the Executive Committee continues to consult the ASA to develop the CSA response letter.

RESOLVED that the Executive Committee be provided with an extension to complete their consultation with the ASA and present the final letter to the Board of Directors on its meeting of September 30, 2020.

Moved: Tyler Poirier, President
Seconded: Maya Persaram

President discusses how important it is to foster a good relationship with the indigenous community on campus, being able to spend time to properly consult with indigenous students is important to have an accurate response to events on March 4th, which is based on proper consultation that is restorative and representative of what indigenous students value, so we want more time to connect with indigenous students.

Motion carried

1.11.5. CSA Fall 2020 By-Election Candidate's Package
1.11.6. Electronic Board Meeting Polices & Procedures

Unable to discuss these item's as they require one-week notice. (Refer to comments from the chair)

1.12. New Business

No new business was introduced at this meeting.

1.13. Announcements

Sara Kuwatly, VP Student Experience: UC board reached out to me, looking for appointment from board of directors, they only reached out yesterday so I don't have the

proper motion for the board meeting, so I will add this as an item for the next board meeting next week

Briana Green-Ince: Regarding the Guelph Black Student's Association, there has been a lot of change, the Black Lives Matter Movement has moved in full force. We successfully made the ant oppression course happen, we made the motions to come out, we are working to figure out how covid will work with events for O week. We have a cooking day for O week, we had a dance event today, and we have a movie night next week, all information will be in the GBSA's Instagram. We have lots of information on Instagram. It's been great but really stressful, we've made some great work happen, and I'm glad we have been able to discuss things tonight

Policy & Transition Manager: We will have an emergency board meeting for next week, this is for suspending policies for electronic board meetings and fall byelection. There will be a package about sitting on committees, I will also include requirements for board members. Please send me the conflict of interest as well, if having problems let me know. There will be a budget presented to you around Sep 30, this is normally already approved but because of covid we were unable to do this before. Will update electronic meeting document based on tonight's meetings.

Tyler Poirier, President: Thank you for being here tonight. There is plenty of information that will come through in the next weeks. If you have questions or concerns please reach out to me, I will do my best to help. As well, because budget has not yet been finalized, we need to do that, but we will keep you updated.

Horeen Hassan, VP External: Thank you so much for taking time to be here today. You volunteering your time to be on this board is what makes our democracy work and we are so appreciative of you and your time. I know it sucks in the situation we are in, and I would love to see you all in person, but here we are in this pandemic. With that, I want to mention that if you have any accessibility issues, if you have any issues or are having any trouble at all please reach out to us and let us know how we can make the experience better.

Jena-Lee Ashley: Today was our last event for start indigenous, we met online with new upcoming indigenous students, we have students across Canada and in the US. The turnout was great, we had a scavenger hunt, and met with professors, it went really well.

Jessica Krawtiz: Really glad to be on the board, look forward to the semester!

Lori Grossett: Encouraging all international students to get involved with us so their experience will be best it can.

Katy Oada: Really excited to be on CSA Board. On campus events for orientation week have already started, encourage first years to get involved.

Sooraj Modi: Senate held meeting, notable things are the mandatory anti-oppression training for all students, as well as change to admission policy for international students regarding English proficiency, because of Covid-19 have modified requirements for English proficiency since not all students were able to take courses. Thank the president to take some responsibility of the VPA, I am so glad to be apart of this board.

Chair: Thanks for being here tonight!

1.14. *In Camera* Session

1.14.1 February, 26 2020 CSA Board Meeting In Camera Minutes

MOTION: To table this item until next week's Board Meeting [date to be determind, but likely September 9, 2020 to accommodate the requirement of one-weeks notice for all policy changes. [this item requires a policy change in order for the process to work in electronic meetings].

Moved: Sooraj Modi
Seconded: Lori Grossett

Motion carried

1.15. Adjournment

MOTION: To adjourn the CSA Board of Directors Meeting of September 3, 2020 at 9:27 pm.

Moved: Horreen Hassan, VP External
Seconded: Sara Kuwatly, VP Student Experience

Motion carried

Approved by the Board of Directors	September 30, 2020
Cameron Olesen, Board Chair	

Signature	Date
	October 10, 2020
Pete Wobschall, Policy and Transition Manager	
Signature	Date
	October 6, 2020