



Board of Directors
Special Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2019

Board Secretary: Rebecca Stirling
Minutes Taker: Tracey Beirness

ATTENDANCE

Name and Position	Present	Regrets	Absent
	[“X” if present / “R” if calling or skyping]	[“X” if absent with regrets / time of arrival if late with regrets]	[“X” if absent w/o regrets / time of arrival if late w/o regrets]
Naima Samuel, Director, President	x		
Rebecca Stirling, Director, CoSec	x		
Evan Andrews, Director		x	
Nick Revington, Director	x		
Isidora Sidorovska, Director			X
Kareem Mostafa, Director	x		
Jen Reid, Director	x		
Dmitrii Maren, Director	x		
Tyler Hampton, Director	x		
Vacant, Director			
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Marsha Paley, Council Speaker	x		
Kevin McKay, General Manager	x		

Councillors	Present with notice	Present

Other	Present with notice	Present

MINUTES

1. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Meeting commenced at 12:44pm. Attendance noted. Directors forms collected and meeting begins at 12:50pm due to technical issues.

2. SCI Itemization

Presentation provided by the President with regard to the updates since last presentation relating to the fee breakdown for the student choice initiative. A PowerPoint presentation was provided detailing changes and new breakdown of fees since original approval by previous board. A previous year's budget is being utilized for information purposes to explain reasoning behind the fee breakdowns.

Proposed fee breakdown is as follows:

Mandatory Association Fee: 12.00

Optional Fees: 10.80

Different scenarios were discussed utilizing GAP analysis.

The need to communicate the value of GSA services and creating awareness was stressed by the President.

An explanation of how the tentative Opt-Out process will work was provided as well as a suggestion by the President that after a student has opted in that no refunds be provided after the fact. Descriptions will remain fairly static but the President invited the members to make suggestions for change prior to the submission date.

Members expressed the importance of the language on the opt-out page ensuring students have an understanding of the effects of opting out. Positive compelling language was suggested.

Fee for service was discussed and how this would be administered.

Questions from the floor were brought forward with regard to the possibility of changing the language as this process goes through the yearly cycle.

The future of the Graduate House operating model was also discussed.

Proposed changes to the Dental fee was mentioned and notification that an update will be provided at the next board meeting.

BIRT the Board approve revised breakdown of mandatory vs optional fees

Samuel/Revington
Carried Unanimously

BIRT the Board approve amount of optional fee categories. (External Representation - \$3.30, Social Fees -\$2.20, Advising - \$1.50, Representation @UW - \$3.80)

Samuel/Mostafa
Carried Unanimously

Continued discussion with regard to the language and descriptions of the fees prompted the following motion:

BIRT the board appoint Nick to chair a committee for consolidating feedback on fee titles and descriptions based on Naima's post meeting draft of the proposed fee descriptions. Directors will provide feedback by midnight on Saturday (May 11, 11:59pm) The committee will provide a consolidated version of the draft by noon on Monday (May 13) An e-vote will be held on Tuesday (May 14) to decide on fee descriptions and titles.

Reid/Hampton
6-0-1
Carried

3. Executive Manager Job Description

Rationale was provided with regard to making a change to the job description that had the Executive Manager reporting to the Board of Directors.

The President requests that the E.M. report directly to the President and provided the board with the rationale that was discussed by the ED hiring committee last year and agreed on by last year's board. An explanation was provided that there may be a delay of hiring the E.M. due to UW-HR requesting more details (details would come from the current GM job description).

The clarity of the reporting structure was discussed.

BIRT the Board approves motion to remove "Board of Directors" from "Report to:" structure

Samuel/Stirling
Carried Unanimously

Adjourn 2:38pm