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Chair	Jesse Gardner-Russell (President)	
Board Members in attendance	Yingchen Zhao (General Secretary) Junyi (Johnny) Zheng (Treasurer) Rosalie Ritter-Jones (Vice President) Yujia (Lucy) Zhang Amin Abedini Bolor Jamiyandagva Devyani Vadke	
Staff Members in attendance	Sajal Goundar (CEO) Kavisha Garg (Governance & Executive Officer, Minute Taker)	
Absent	None	
1 – FORMAL MATTERS 1a. Welcome & Acknowledgment The President opened the meeting at 4:05pm with an Acknowledgement of Country and welcomed all members. The President acknowledged that the elections have concluded, highlighting them to be the most contested in GSA history. He congratulated the winners and expressed sympathy for those who were unsuccessful. 1b. Attendance All members are present for the meeting. 1c. Declarations of Interest No New Declarations 1d. Minutes & Follow-up log actions The minutes are to be approved through a circular motion. Procedural Motion: That the meeting move in camera. All in favour, no one abstaining, no one against. Motion carries.		Presenter, Time allocated President 15 min
The General Secretary left the meeting at 6.02pm. 2 – BOARD REPORTING 2a. President’s Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The President reflected on his tenure and highlighted the positive aspects of his presidency. - The CEO expressed gratitude for the President's efforts, and noted it’s been widely recognized and valued by university stakeholders. 2b. General Secretary’s Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted as read. 		Board Members 30 min

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2c. Vice-President’s Report

- The Vice President offered a few recommendations during the meeting, such as incorporating the Faculty Council slide into the orientation deck, enhancing collaboration between the Faculty Council, Residence Council, and the Board, and creating a Teams chat channel for improved communication.
- The CEO and President commended Vice President’s for her effective leadership with the Faculty Council, acknowledging her efforts and contributions.

2d. Treasurer’s Report

- The Treasurer mentioned that he is currently working on the handover documents and emphasized collaborating with the General Secretary on conducting interviews and will provide updates on these matters shortly.
- The President expressed gratitude for the support and efforts of both the Treasurer and the General Secretary. The CEO mentioned closely collaborating with the Treasurer and commended his performance, noting that he had done well throughout his tenure.

2e. Yujia Lucy Zhang’s Report

- Progress on the Health Promotion Program (HPP) was shared, indicating that it has been advancing smoothly.
- The President thanked Yujia Lucy Zhang for her support, while the CEO highlighted her contributions as a valuable member of FRAC.

2f. Bolor Jamiyandagva’s Report

- With help from the Policy and Advocacy team, preparations are underway to present the findings at the upcoming TALQAC meeting in May.
- Both the President and the CEO expressed gratitude to Bolor for her service, acknowledging her consistent contribution of new perspectives and ideas.

The Vice President left the meeting at 6.57pm.

2g. Amin Abedini’s Report

- Currently working on a CAPA matters and will be attending the next misconduct training session.

2h. Devyani Vadke’s Report

- Presented the survey findings to the Faculty of Education, which were not well received due to their critical nature. However, there is an openness to further discuss the issues raised.
- Attended several events and Misconduct Committee training, highlighting them as valuable experiences.
- Devyani Vadke expressed gratitude for the opportunity to be a board member and to witness GSA’s passion and advocacy.
- The President and CEO expressed appreciation for Devyani's insightful contributions and wished her the best. When asked why the faculty did not receive the survey results well, Devyani responded that they were not accustomed to criticism and were surprised by it, leading to some resistance in being open to the feedback.

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<p>3 – MATTERS FROM THE REPRESENTATIVE & FACULTY COUNCILS</p> <p>3a. Minutes of Representative Council Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting held on 17th April 2024 <p>3b. Recommendations from the Representative Council for Board consideration.</p> <p>Outcome: Discussed the recommendations from RC Meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The President mentioned that he will collaborate with RC members to complete the ongoing tasks they are working on. <p>3c. Minutes of Faculty Council Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting held on 17th April 2024 <p>3d. Recommendations from the Faculty Council for Board consideration</p> <p>Outcome: Discussed the recommendations from FC Meeting.</p> <p>No additional matters discussed.</p>	<p>To Be Noted 5 mins</p>
<p>4 – MATTERS FROM WORKING GROUPS</p> <p>Outcome: Board informed about the work and recommendations from the working groups.</p> <p>4a. Minutes & Recommendations from Grad Group Working Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting held in April. <p>4b. Minutes & Recommendations from Strategic Advocacy Working Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Meeting held in April. <p>4c. Minutes & Recommendations from Strategic Plan Working Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting held on 16th April 2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is still more work to be done. Interviews for the Strategic Plan consultant will be conducted soon. The CEO encouraged board members to attend the panel interviews, and invitations will be sent out to them accordingly. <p>4e. Minutes & Recommendations from International Graduate Students Working Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting held on 9th April 2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently finalizing the schedule for events during the exam period. The next meeting is scheduled for early May. There is a proposal to change the name of the working group to International Graduate Students Working Group. 	<p>15 mins</p> <p>Vice-President</p> <p>Treasurer</p> <p>President</p> <p>Yujia (Lucy) Zhang</p>
<p>5– OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>5a. Questions and other business.</p> <p>No other business was discussed.</p>	<p>President 5 min</p>



GSA Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, 24th April 2024

4:00pm – 7:00pm

Room 198-L1-102 | Zoom

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<p>5b. Meeting to move in camera. Procedural Motion: That the meeting move in camera.</p> <p>The Vice-President and the General secretary are absent. All other members in favour, no one abstaining, no one against. Motion carries.</p>	
Close of Meeting 7:14 PM	
Next Board Meeting – 26th June 2024	