

Wednesday, 30th October 2024 4:00pm – 7:00pm Room 198-L1-102 | Zoom

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Chair	Ethan Chou (President)	
Board Members in attendance	Jesse Gardner-Russell (General Secretary)	
	Yingchen Zhao (Treasurer)	
	Amin Abedini	
	Bolor Jamiyandagva	
	Deli Zhou	
	Yutong Cheng	
Staff Members in attendance	Sajal Goundar (CEO)	
	Kelvin Hoang (Manager, Business Operations & Finance)	
	Kavisha Garg (Governance & Executive Officer, Minute Taker)	
Apologies	Junyi (Johnny) Zheng (Vice President)	
Observers	Alexander Tofler (Disability and Equity Officer)	
Observers	Fan Bu (Faculty Council)	
1 – FORMAL MATTERS		Presenter, Time allocated
1a. Welcome & Ac	knowledgment	
The President opened meeting at 4:04pm with an Acknowledgement of Country and welcome to all members.		President 15 min
1b. Attendance		
	ded the meeting, with an apology noted from the Vice President. tary will join later. The quorum was achieved.	
1c. Declarations of	fInterest	
No declarations we	ere made.	
1d. Minutes & Foll	ow-up log actions	
Motion: The minut accepted with no a	tes of the GSA Board meeting held on 25 th September 2024 be amendments.	
Moved: Ethan Cho	u (President)	
Seconded: Deli Zho	ou	
All in favour with n	o one abstaining and no one against. Motion carries.	
1e. Other Items		
Circular reso	olutions for ratification:	
Motion: That the	GSA Board supports the Melbourne Speech Pathology Clinic	
Accent Expansion F		
Moved: Ethan Cho		
	ardner-Russell (General Secretary)	
Motion carried wit	h no one abstaining and no one against.	

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RATIFIED

Motion: That the GSA Board approves the leave of absence request for Mr Junyi Johnny Zheng: Tuesday 29th October - Friday 1st November (Missing October Board Meeting).

Moved: Jesse Gardner-Russell (General Secretary)

Seconded: Ethan Chou (President)

Motion carried. All in favour with Junyi (Johnny) Zheng abstaining and no one

against.
RATIFIED

Motion: That the GSA Board approves the leave of absence request for Mr Will McHenry: Wednesday 23rd October-23rd November (Missing October RC Meeting).

Moved: Jesse Gardner-Russell (General Secretary)

Seconded: Ethan Chou (President)

Motion carried with no one abstaining and no one against.

RATIFIED

1f. Procedural Motion: That the meeting move in camera.

All in favour with no one abstaining and no one against. Motion carries.

2 - BOARD REPORTING

2a. President's Report

2b. General Secretary's Report

2c. Vice-President's Report

2d. Treasurer's Report

2e. Bolor Jamiyandagva's Report

2f. Amin Abedini's Report

2g. Deli Zhou's Report

2h. Yutong Cheng's Report

- All reports were taken as read. The General Secretary noted he is working on new procedures and policies for the grad groups, aiming to have a draft finalized by the meeting before the AGM 2025.
- Yutong Cheng shared that she met with the Environment and Sustainability Officer to discuss current and past sustainability initiatives at GSA and has plans to meet again next month to explore further directions. Yutong also expressed interest in attending the next International Working Group meeting as an observer.

Board Members 30 min

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3 – MATTERS FROM THE REPRESENTATIVE & FACULTY COUNCILS

3a. Minutes of Representative Council Meetings

Meeting held on 23rd October 2024.

3b. Recommendations from the Representative Council for Board consideration.

Outcome: To discuss the recommendations from RC Meeting.

- The President shared a proposal from the First Nations Officer to use \$5,000 from their RC budget to support a graduation event for First Nations students, specifically recognizing 81 Indigenous graduates completing HDR studies this year.
- It was suggested that GSA could contribute \$5,000 toward catering, leaving the remainder to be coordinated by the event organizers.
- It was noted by the president that the graduation event was a combined event of both undergrad and graduates and it is hard to differentiate for this event.
- The board agreed to support the event.

Motion: The GSA Board approves a \$5,000 expenditure from the First Nations Officer's budget to support the catering for the Indigenous Graduate Event hosted by Murrup Barak which includes undergrads.

Moved: Ethan Chou (President)

Seconded: Jesse Gardner-Russell (General Secretary)

All in favour with no one abstaining and no one against. Motion carries.

3c. Minutes of Faculty Council Meeting

No meeting held in October.

3d. Recommendations from the Faculty Council for Board consideration.

No recommendations.

4 - MATTERS FROM WORKING GROUPS

Outcome: Board is informed about the work and recommendations from the working groups.

4a. Minutes & Recommendations from Grad Group Working Group

- Meeting held on 15th October 2024
- Minutes are noted.

4b. Minutes & Recommendations from Strategic Plan Working Group

- Meeting held on 8th and 29th October 2024
- The draft Strategic Plan was reviewed, with the working group refining wording and addressing sections for adjustment. Another meeting is scheduled to finalize the draft, with the aim of presenting it to the Board for endorsement at the next meeting.

4c. Minutes & Recommendations from International Graduate Students Working Group

To Be Noted 5 mins

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Close of Meeting 7:10 PM		
 Procedural Motion: That the meeting move in camera. All in favour with no one abstaining and no one against. Motion carries. 		
5b. Meeting to move in camera.		
- No items were discussed.		
5 – OTHER BUSINESS5a. Questions and other business.	President 5 min	
 Meeting held on 9th October 2024 Additional items were reviewed following feedback from legal advisors at Moores. The team is awaiting the final draft, with the last working group meeting scheduled in the coming week. The document will be ready for Board endorsement at the November meeting, before being submitted to the electoral terminal for approval. 		
4d. Minutes & Recommendations from Electoral Regulations Review Working Group		
Yutong Cheng left the meeting at 7.00pm.		
No Meeting held in October		

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