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Board Members in attendance	Jesse Gardner-Russell – President and Chair Yingchen Zhao, Junyi (Johnny) Zheng, Matthew Harper-Gomm, Nidhi Sikka, Rosalie Ritter-Jones, Bolor Jamiyandagva, Yujia (Lucy) Zhang	
Other Attendees	Jeremy Waite – Interim Chief Executive Officer Sophie Valkan – Chief Executive Officer Kerry Tucker – Manger Engagement & Comms Christina Murambi – Manager Policy & Advocacy Eren Muller – Minute Taker	
Representative Council Observers	N/A	
Faculty Council Observers	N/A	
Absent	Sajal Goundar – Chief Financial & Operating Officer – Medical Leave	
Leave of Absence	N/A	
	<p>1 – FORMAL MATTERS</p> <p>1a. Welcome & Acknowledgment</p> <p>President opened meeting at 4:01pm with welcome and acknowledgment.</p> <p>The President welcomed Ms Sophie Valkan LLB, B.Com, GradDipCSP, CPA, GAICD – GSA Chief Executive Officer to the first GSA Board Meeting, 2023.</p> <p>1b. Attendance</p> <p>1c. Declarations of Interest</p> <p><i>Refer to Board Policies</i></p> <p>1d. Minutes & Follow-up log actions (Attachment 1d)</p> <p>Motion: The minutes of the GSA Board meeting held on 24 November 2022 be accepted without amendment.</p> <p>Moved: President, Jesse Gardner-Russell</p> <p>Seconded: Vice President, Matt Harper-Gomm</p> <p>Motion Carries with 4 in favour, four abstentions (Board Members Nidhi Sikka, Rosalie Ritter-Jones, Bolor Jamiyandagva and Yujia (Lucy) Zhang).</p> <p>1e. Other Items</p> <p><i>Matters for Approval</i></p> <p>Motion: That Abigail Van Der Zwan be granted a leave of absence under s 9.14 of the GSA Constitution for the period 13/2/2023 – 24/2/2023.</p> <p>Moved: General Secretary, Yingchen Zhao</p> <p>Seconded: Vice President, Matthew Harper-Gomm</p> <p>Motion Carries with all in favour.</p> <p><i>Circulars for noting:</i></p> <p>Motion: Motion: That the board appoint Sophie Valkan to be the CEO of GSA for the next five years.</p> <p>Moved: General Secretary, Yingchen Zhao</p> <p>Seconded: Jesse Gardner-Russell, President</p>	<p>Responsible person, time Allocated</p> <p>President 5 minutes</p>

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<p>Motion is Passed with all in favour, no one against. President: Extended a warm welcome to Ms Sophie Valkan – CEO GSA, on behalf of the Board.</p> <p>Motion: That the GSA board endorse the Option B of the attached proposal from Moores Legal on enterprise agreement termination advice and support. Moved: General Secretary, Yingchen Zhao Seconded: Matthew Harper-Gomm, Vice President Motion is Passed with all in favour, no one against.</p> <p>Motion 1: That the GSA Representative Council endorses the expenditure of \$550 from the rep council contingency Budget to sponsor the 2023 Victorian Biodiversity Conference. Motion 2: That the GSA Representative Council endorses the expenditure of \$300 from the representative council contingency budget to sponsor graduate students to attend to 2023 Victorian Biodiversity Conference. Motion 1 and 2 Moved: General Secretary, Yingchen Zhao Seconded: Jesse Gardner-Russell, President Motions 1 and 2 is Passed with all in favour, no one against.</p> <p>Motion: That Lakvin Fernando be granted a leave of absence under s 9.14 of the GSA Constitution for the day 19/1/2023. Moved: General Secretary, Yingchen Zhao Seconded: Motion is Passed with all in favour, no one against.</p> <p>Motion: That Bridie Cochrane-Holley be granted a leave of absence under s 9.14 of the GSA Constitution for the day 19/1/2023. Moved: General Secretary, Yingchen Zhao Seconded: Motion is Passed with all in favour, no one against.</p> <p>1f. Meeting to move in camera Procedural Motion: That the meeting move in camera All Board Members vote in favour to move in camera - Motion carries President reiterated the process of 'Move in camera' to new Board members.</p>	
<p>4 – BOARD REPORTING – (Attachment 5a-g)</p> <p>4a. President Update on GSA Board, RC, external stakeholder issues and other meetings (Attachment 5a)</p> <p>The President’s report is noted as read.</p> <p>The President is looking forward to participating and attending the GSA Orientation and Graduate Research Orientation events.</p> <p>4b. General Secretary Report (Attachment 5b)</p> <p>The General Secretary’s report is noted as read.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AQE GSA Updated Tender (Attachment 5b i) The General Secretary reported on the quote for the administration for the 2023 GSA annual elections. The attachment is for Board members to note. 	<p>Board 20 mins</p>

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<p>4c. Vice President Report Verbal report, no items to note.</p> <p>4d. Treasurer Report Verbal report, no items to note.</p> <p>4e. Nidhi Sikka Verbal report, no items to note.</p> <p>4f. Rosalie Ritter-Jones Verbal report, no items to note.</p> <p>4g. Bolor Jamiyandagva Verbal report, no items to note.</p> <p>4h. Yujia (Lucy) Zhang Verbal report, no items to note.</p>	
<p>5 – MATTERS FROM THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL</p> <p>5a. Minutes of Representative Council Meeting (Attachment 6a) The minutes of the GSA Representative Council meeting held on 1 December 2022 and 19 January 2023, to be noted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RC Minutes, noted. <p>5b. Recommendations from the Representative Council for Board consideration <i>No recommendations for January</i></p>	<p>President 5 min</p>
<p>6 – MATTERS FROM THE FACULTY COUNCIL</p> <p>8a. Minutes of Faculty Council Meeting (Attachment 7a) The minutes of the Faculty Council meeting held on 29 November 2022, to be noted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FC Minutes, noted. <p>8b. Recommendations from the Faculty Council for Board consideration <i>No recommendations for January</i></p>	<p>President 5 min</p>
<p>7 – OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>7a. Questions and other business from observers No observers present</p> <p>7b. Meeting to move in camera Procedural Motion: That the meeting move in camera</p>	<p>President 5 min</p>
<p>8 – CLOSED SESSION (In-camera)</p>	
<p>Meeting concluded 5:00pm</p>	
<p>Next Board Meeting – 23 February 2023</p>	