# **Gateway Student Journalism Society**

#### Meeting Minutes

# September 21 2021

## **Opening**

The regular meeting of the Gateway Student Journalism Society was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on October 21 via Google Meets by Emma Jones.

#### **Present**

PAWLUK Mitchell

MAHAL Areeha

HE Jin

**BROOKS Sam** 

KIMANI Emily

MACATANGAY Arthur

CRAIG Lee

**BOLINA Gurpreet** 

CO Pia

KMECH Jonn

## Approval of Agenda

Moved CO Pia

Seconded PAWLUK Mitchell

## **Open Issues**

Selection of New Board Chair

CO nominates CO to become Chair of the Task Force.

PAWLUK seconds the motion

Vote:

In Favour- KIMANI, MAHAL, MACATANGAY, PAWLUK, BROOKS, CRAIG, BOLINA Against -

Absent for Vote - KMECH

The motion carries and CO becomes chair of the Gateway Student Journalism Society.

PAWLUK presents on the selection of a New Volunteer Representative. Vacant as previously held by MAHAL, who is now Editorial Staff Representative. PAWLUK brings forth NAIDOO, who received 3rd highest number of votes during the Volunteer Appreciation event in the spring.

BROOKSquestions why we are voting on the selection of a New Volunteer Representative.

JONES explains that since it is a vacancy, the board has jurisdiction to fill the vacancy.

PAWLUK motions to vote on NAIDOO Sithara as the GSJS's new volunteer representative.

Seconded by CO

Vote:

In Favour- KIMANI, MAHAL, MACATANGAY, PAWLUK, BROOKS, CRAI, KMECH, CO, BOLINA

Against - None.

The motion carries and NAIDOO is selected as the GSJS's new volunteer representative.

PAWLUK Mitchell presents Editor-In-Chief report. PAWLUK mentions Editorial Staff have been hired. Reflecting on Clubs Fair, the online Clubs Fair had no attendance, but in-person Clubs Fair and Open House were successful. For in-person section meetings, COVID-19 protocols have been a mask mandate, social distancing, sign-in/out sheets. Will be requesting proof of vaccination for upcoming meetings held in the office.

JONES presents Executive Director Report. Have hired Executive Director replacement, The Gateway's former Business Administrator Sukhmani Saggu. Her transition will be starting this week and she will officially be taking over on October 1st. Will be going over DFU and Transition report with Saggu.

HE presents the Production Editor Report. Is still acting as Arts and Culture editor, and has still to take over the biweekly newsletter.

CRAIG presents Finance Committee Report. Says nothing to report, but the committee does have spots open.

BOLINA expresses interest in joining the Finance Committee.

JONES presents Human Resources Committee Report. Mentions Alana Krahn was the previous chair, and this committee is where staff goes for any HR related things.

KIMANI expresses interest in joining the Human Resources Committee.

BROOKS expresses interest in joining the Human Resources Committee.

COexpresses interest in joining the Human Resources Committee.

JONES presents the Governance Committee Report. Mentions clearing up financial documents, and briefly mentions developing financial policy as a long term project.

PAWLUK presents on Deputy Editorships. They were implemented in the 2021 winter semester. These would be a senior volunteer role under a staff member, taking on more responsibilities, and a great way to get people experienced. Running by board to see if this is something we'd want to bring back

CRAIG mentions treading carefully to ensure people don't think they are taken advantage of with unpaid work.

PAWLUK brings up having a set time limit, where they work no more than 5 hours per week

BROOKS mentions in the grand scope of campus media, The Gateway is unique in paying editors. Claims we will see large variety if looking at other papers for precedent. Make sure the staff can deliver to these individuals and they are getting something tangible out of it

KMECH mentions being clear upfront about volunteer roles. He recommends a guarantee of being selected for a paid position later

JONES mentions since they have previously voted on, they do not previously have to be voted on.

JONES proposed the idea of a Fundraising Committee. Describes it as an opportunity to come up with fundraising efforts, reach out to alumni, and generate funds.

PAWLUK expresses support of this committee.

BROOKS says in principle it is a good idea, but questions what they are doing in practice.

JONES suggests taking initiative on guidance for events, and being more "boots on the ground and idea generators" (not quite a bigger strategic role).

PAWLUK mentions long term planning similar to the CSJR FunDrive.

CO questions with a lot of things going on in the pandemic if this something this board can oversee. Questions if reviving alumni association has been considered, as their previous experience might be helpful.

KMECH mentions the alumni association hasn't run fundraising events in the past, but has hosted anniversary events. Says the Fundraising Committee would be good for monthly donors, but might not work well if alumni are running it.

BROOKS expresses support for endorsing the creation of a fundraising committee

PAWLUK motions to endorse the GSJS board endorse a fundraising committee chaired by the ED.

Vote: In Favour - KIMANI, MAHAL, MACATANGAY, PAWLUK, BROOKS, CRAIG,

**KMECH** 

Against: None

The motion carries and the GSJS board endorses a fundraising committee chaired by the ED.

JONES motions to move the discussion in camera. PAWLUK seconds the motion. Vote: In Favour - KIMANI, MAHAL, MACATANGAY, PAWLUK, BROOKS, CRAIG Lee, KMECH, BOLINA Against: None The motion carries and the discussion moves in camera. Board Discussion is in Camera. JONES motions to move the discussion out of camera. CO Pia the motion. Vote: In Favour - KIMANI, MAHAL, MACATANGAY, PAWLUK, BROOKS, CRAIG Lee, KMECH, BOLINA Against: None The motion carries and the discussion moves out of camera. PAWLUK motions the board meeting is adjourned. Vote:

In Favour- KIMANI, MAHAL, MACATANGAY, PAWLUK, BROOKS, CRAIG, KMECH,

**BOLINA** 

Against - None

The motion carries and the board meeting is adjourned.

#### **New Business**

# **Agenda for Next Meeting**

# The Gateway Student Journalism Society — Board of Directors October 21 - 6:30pm — Google Meet

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of the Agenda
- 3. Approval of the Minutes
- 4. Filling of Board vacancies
- 5. Reports of Officers and Standing Committees
  - a. Editor-in-Chief report
  - b. Executive Director report
  - c. Outreach Report
  - d. Production Editor report
  - e. Finance committee
  - f. Human Resources committee
  - g. Governance committee
  - h. Sexual Violence Reporting Task Force
- 6. For Discussion
  - a. In-camera: Updates on situation with source
- 7. New Business
- 8. Adjournment

#### Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:04 p.m. by JONES. The next general meeting will be at October 21, via Google Meets.

Minutes submitted by:	MAHAL Areeha
Approved by:	The GSJS Board