

The Gateway Student Journalism Society — Board of Directors

February 24 2025 — [Google Meet](#)

Attendance

Leah Hennig
Dylana Twitney
Katie Teeling
Unees Hassain
Omar Habibzai
Lily Polenchuk
Stephanie Swensrude
Sam Brooks

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda

The Board did not approve the agenda.

3. Approval of the Minutes

The Board did not approve the previous minutes.

4. Reports of Officers and Standing Committees
 - a. Editor-in-Chief

The editorial staff is focused on elections. The first Q&A's have gone up. After election coverage is done the staff will focus on the April print edition. POLENCHUK announced that Leah HENNIG was hired as the 2025–26 EIC. The other staff postings went up the morning of February 24. Interviews will commence the week following the election's coverage.

- b. Executive Director

HABIBZAI says the Gateway's Readership Survey was sent out. Marketing and Outreach promoted Gateway to Cinema along with the Gateway's Volunteer Scholarships over Instagram. HABIBZAI has begun making his transition report for the next Executive Director. He plans to promote the job to friends in the Alberta School of Business. They are still in the process of acquiring The Gateway's credit card although the new account is open. For the April print edition, HABIBZAI has secured a half page ad with the Government of Nunavut. He is still in the process of contacting companies to gain ads for the print.

- c. Managing Editor

TWITTEY reiterates that The Gateway staff is busy with preparations for the 2025 SU Elections. The panel for Election Dissection has been confirmed, she adds.

- d. Finance Committee

As board members Levi FLAMAN and Nathan THIESSEN have taken a leave of absence from the board for the length of the 2025 SU Elections, TEELING is the interim chair for the Finance Committee but she allows POLENCHUK to give the update. POLENCHUK says the credit card is allegedly on its way. She has also ordered checks, which are on the way. There was some misunderstanding with ATB where they were charged for the checks, the charge was then removed, then added again a few times. Now it is resolved. Regarding the next DFU check, the UASU is waiting on the next round of payment for the U of A. She explains that the university

receives the DFU money, sends the money to the UASU, which then distributes it to the recipients. She says the DFU money should come in on Thursday. This time The Gateway will receive 30 per cent of the DFU money and in April they will receive 10 per cent.

e. HR Committee

TEELING says the HR Committee has not met.

f. 5 Year Strategic Plan Committee

HENNIG says the 5 Year Strategic Plan Committee will meet twice in March to hammer out the final plan. They will present this plan to the board at the April meeting.

g. Governance Committee

HENNIG says Gov Com is still working on revising The Gateway's operating policies. They added the volunteer scholarship and updated the section on committees. They will likely present the changes at the April board meeting.

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned around 7:10 p.m..