



## CENTENNIAL COLLEGE STUDENT ASSOCIATION INC.

### FULL BOARD MEETING

Monday, April 28, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Student Centre Board Room, Progress Campus

941 Progress Avenue, Toronto, Ontario

Held via Zoom videoconference

### MINUTES

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Present:	A. Adams	-	President
	B. Kaur	-	Vice President, Morningside Campus
	K. Singh	-	Vice President, Downsview Centre Campus
	K.M. Herrera	-	Vice President, Progress Campus
	V. Eke	-	Vice President, Story Arts Centre
	L. Routhier	-	Representative, Performing Arts Centre
	D. Ip Yam	-	Dean of Students, Centennial College
	A. Ladouceur	-	Indigenous Student Representative
Staff:	N. Singh	-	Executive Assistant, Progress Campus
By Invitation:	A. Almushattat	-	Vice President, Morningside Campus
	A. H. Shourav	-	Vice President, Progress Campus
	A. Siddiqua	-	Vice President, Ashtonbee Campus
	H. Singh	-	Vice President, Downsview Centre Campus
	S. Mesrasty	-	Indigenous Student Representative
	B. Beamish	-	Director, Student Engagement and Supports
	S. Saythong	-	Technologist
	P. Pawar	-	Student Advocate
	S. Irving	-	Elections Coordinator
	T. Rodriguez	-	Outreach Coordinator, Indigenous
	A. H. Shourav	-	Student
	A. Almushattat	-	Student
	A. Siddiqua	-	Student
	H. Singh	-	Student
	S. Mesrasty	-	Student
	W. Leung	-	Director, Finance & Administration
	S. Robertson	-	Recording Secretary, MinuteTakers Inc.
Absent:	R. Olawoyin	-	Vice President, Ashtonbee Campus

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*Motions will include the count of votes for, against and abstentions. The count will be shown as follows: (FOR – AGAINST – ABSTAINED).*

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Notice having been given and there being a quorum present, the President called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and presided as Chair. The Chair welcomed the incoming Board members and guests.

2. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

A. Adams read out the land acknowledgment statement.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved with the following amendments:

- ☐ Agenda #9(b) removed
- ☐ Agenda #14 and #15 deferred
- ☐ Agenda #18 removed
- ☐ Add Club Budget Allocation – Other Business
- ☐ Add Review of Memorandum of Understanding – Other Business

On Motion by K. Singh and seconded by B. Kaur it was:

**THAT the Agenda of the Board meeting dated April 28, 2025 be approved as amended.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

4. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 5.1 **March 24, 2025 Minutes** – The Chair asked for any errors or omissions in the Minutes of the Board meeting dated March 24, 2025 that were circulated previously for review.

On Motion by B. Kaur and seconded by K. M Herrera it was:

**THAT the Minutes of the Board meeting of March 24, 2025 be accepted as presented.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

- 5.2 **March 31, 2025 Minutes** – The Chair asked for any errors or omissions in the Minutes of the Board meeting dated March 31, 2025 that were circulated previously for review.

On Motion by K. Singh and seconded by B. Kaur it was:

**THAT the Minutes of the Board meeting of March 31, 2025 be accepted as presented.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

At this point, guests were temporarily excused from the meeting.

6. **IN-CAMERA DISCUSSION**

- (a) *Begin In-camera Session* – The following motion was noted:

On Motion by V. Eke and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the Board would enter into an in-camera session at 6:12 p.m. p.m.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

- (b) *Close In-Camera Session* –

On Motion by V. Eke and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the Board would close the in-camera session at 7:45 p.m.** Motion carried (6-0-0).

*The in-camera session concluded and the meeting resumed at 7:46 p.m.*

7. **TRANSFORMING THE FUTURE PROPOSAL**

The transforming the future proposal to purchase a golf and sport simulator was presented and discussed.

On Motion by K. Singh and seconded by B. Kaur it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors approve the transforming the future proposal to purchase a golf and virtual sport simulator at a cost of \$72,000.**

At the conclusion of the discussion, it was agreed to table the motion to the next Board meeting. The Board requested information on the needs assessment to support whether this would benefit the students as a whole.

On Motion by K.M. Herrera and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors table the transforming the future proposal to the next Board meeting.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

8. **GOVERNANCE POLICY MANUAL**

On Motion by V. Eke and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the CCSAI Board of Directors approves the Governance Policy Manual as presented.**  
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** these policies be adopted as of May 1, 2025, and are phased in to ensure successful implementation and operationalization. These policies shall be in full effect no later than September 30, 2025. Motion carried (5-0-0).

9. **CCSAI POLICIES**

9.1 **Policy 6.0: Financial Management**

On Motion by B. Kaur and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the CCSAI Board of Directors approve as presented, Policies 6.0, Financial Management;**  
**AND THAT IT BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT these policies be adapted as of May 1, 2025, are phased in to ensure successful implementation and are in full effect no later than September 30, 2025.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

9.2 **Policy 8.11 Appointment of the President**

On Motion by B. Kaur and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the CCSAI Board of Directors approve as presented, Policy 8.11, Appointment of the President.** Motion carried (4-1-0).

9.3 **Policy 2.33 Chair of the Board of Directors**

On Motion by K. Singh and seconded by B. Kaur it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the CCSAI Board of Directors approve as presented, Policy 2.33, Chair of the Board of Directors as presented.** Motion carried (3-2-0).

10. **BOARD TRAINING CURRICULUM**

On Motion by K. M. Herrera and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the CCSAI Board of Directors approve as presented, the 2025/2026 board training curriculum. The curriculum may be amended as deemed necessary by the Governance Advisor/CGRO/President or the Board of Directors.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

11. **APPOINTMENT OF INDIGENOUS STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE**

On Motion by B. Kaur and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT Soul Merasty be appointed as the Indigenous Student Representative on the CCSAI Board of Directors for the year 2025/2026.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

12. **APPOINTMENT OF THE EIGHTH FIRE LIAISON TO THE CCSAI BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

On Motion by K. M. Herrera and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT Tanecia Rodriguez be appointed as an ex-officio member of the CCSAI Board of Directors serving in the capacity as an Indigenous staff liaison/advisor between the Eighth Fire and the CCSAI.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

13. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO) TRANSITION WORK PLAN**

The Chair presented a brief overview of the CEO transition work plan.

On Motion by K. Singh and seconded by K. M. Herrera it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the CCSAI Board of Directors approve the CEO Transition Work Plan as presented.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

14. **RATIFICATION OF THE 2025/26 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

On Motion by V. Eke and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT IT BE DULY RATIFIED THAT Aboalfadel Almushattat, Al Helal Shourav, Ayesha Siddiqua, Harjyot Singh and Logan Routhier be approved as the 2025/2026 Board of Directors to commence on May 1, 2025.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

15. **2025/2026 CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION**

(a) *Introduction* – S. Irving presented the process for the election for the 2025/2026 Chair Election and the confidential voting process. Candidate B. Kaur addressed the Board and responded to queries.

(b) *Begin In-camera Session* – The following motion was noted:

On Motion by K. Singh and seconded by K. M. Herrera it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the Board would enter into an in-camera session at 8:55 p.m.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

(c) *Approval* – The following motion was noted:

On Motion by V. Eke and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors hereby appoint B. Kaur as Chair for 2025/2026 to commence on May 1, 2025.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

(d) *Close In-Camera Session* – The following motion was noted:

On Motion by K. M. Herrera and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the Board would close the in-camera session at 9:12 p.m.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

16. **CENTENNIAL COLLEGE UPDATE**

(a) *Summer Orientation* – The summer orientation is taking place across four campuses and online between April 28-30, 2025 with the addition of supports for incoming students in completing outstanding placement assessments and continued focus on student preparation for resilience and success. Welcome Team volunteers are assisting incoming students to navigate support services, ensuring many leave the orientation feeling confident and prepared for their Centennial journey. Thank you to the CCSAI for your role in welcoming students at Orientation.

- (b) *Upcoming Activities* – National Accessibility Week is occurring in the coming months, which will be celebrated from May 25 to 31, 2025. Canadian Jewish Heritage Month and Asian Heritage Month similarly fall in May 2025, followed by Pride and National Indigenous History Month in June 2025, to name but a few examples; there are many others. Mark your calendars for Pride celebrations on June 2, 2025 and National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21, 2025. Every one of these offers meaningful occasions to recognize the complexities and richness of each of these identities and consider how these separate and intersectional experiences contribute to Canada's evolving nature.

17. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

A. Adams provided brief remarks and thanked the Board for their commitment and ongoing support to the Association.

18. **OTHER BUSINESS**

- (a) *Club Budget Allocation* – The following motion was noted:

On Motion by B. Kaur and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the Board approve \$100,000 to be allocated to the club budget.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

- (b) *Memorandum of Understanding with Centennial College* – The following motion was noted:

On Motion by V. Eke and seconded by K. Singh it was,  
**RESOLVED THAT the Board calls for a formal review of the Memorandum of Understanding to be led by the CCSAI CEO, Dean of Students, David Ip Yam, with a tentative due date of September 30, 2025.** Motion carried (5-0-0).

19. **FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

The outgoing Board Members had an opportunity to share their final words.

20. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Full Board meeting will be held on a date ***to be determined***.

21. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was concluded at 9:24 p.m. on Motion duly made and seconded.

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President – A. Adams

Executive Director/CEO