



**University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union
Special Board of Directors Meeting
Zoom Meeting Monday, March 13, 2023 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Directors must register by emailing register@utgsu.ca before the meeting.

1. Meeting Comes to Order

- a. Equity Statement (Commitment) (Page 3)
- b. Adoption of Agenda (Discussion & Decision)¹
- c. Seating Guests (Discussion & Decision)²

2. Appointments

- a. Motion to appoint CRO (Discussion & Decision)³
- b. Motion to appoint Board of Appeal Chair & Vice-Chair (Discussion & Decision)⁴⁵
- c. Motion to appoint members to the following committees: Elections and Referenda Committee, Finance Committee, Governance Committee, Graduate Affairs Committee, U of T CASAS Committee (Discussion & Decision)⁶⁷⁸⁹¹⁰

¹ DRAFT MOTION: BIRT the UTGSU Board of Directors adopt the March 13, 2023, meeting agenda as presented or amended.

² DRAFT MOTION: BIRT the UTGSU Board of Directors move to seat all guests with speaking rights.

³ DRAFT MOTION: BIRT the UTGSU Board of Directors appoint _____ as the CRO for the 2023 general elections.

⁴ DRAFT MOTION: BIRT the UTGSU Board of Directors appoint _____ as the Board of Appeal Chair for 2022-23.

⁵ DRAFT MOTION: BIRT the UTGSU Board of Directors appoint _____ as the Board of Appeal Vice-Chair for 2022-23.

⁶ DRAFT MOTION: BIRT the UTGSU Board of Directors approves _____ and _____ for appointment to the Elections & Referenda Committee for the 2023 general election.

⁷ DRAFT MOTION: BIRT the UTGSU Board of Directors approves _____ and _____ from Division 1 & 2, and _____ and _____ from Division 3 & 4 for appointment to the Finance Committee.

⁸ DRAFT MOTION: BIRT the UTGSU Board of Directors approves _____ and _____ from Division 1 & 2, and _____ and _____ from Division 3 & 4 for the Governance Committee.

⁹ DRAFT MOTION: BIRT the UTGSU Board of Directors approves _____ and _____ from Division 1 & 2, and _____ and _____ from Division 3 & 4 for the Graduate Affairs Committee.

¹⁰ DRAFT MOTION: BIRT the UTGSU Board of Directors approves _____ as a student representative on the U of T CASAS Committee.



3. GCDF Policy Amendment

- a. Motion to amend the GCDF Policy¹¹

4. In-camera Discussion

5. Adjournment

¹¹ DRAFT MOTION: BIRT the UTGSU Board of Directors amend the award amount in the GCDF Policy from \$500 to \$1000.



G.9.2 Equity Statement

G.9.2.1 The following statement expresses the Union's commitments to equity and informs the way in which we conduct business of the Union. The statement will be read aloud during the opening address of meetings of the membership, the Board of Directors, and at UTGSU events:

As many of our members are settlers on Turtle Island, the Union directly benefits from the colonization and genocide of the indigenous peoples of this land. It is imperative that the Union acknowledge that it is on occupied land and that to engage in acts of decolonization is an important aspect of equity work in Canada.

Student Union solidarity is based on the principle that all members deserve to be equal, respected and should be understood. As members of the Union, mutual respect, cooperation and understanding are our goals. We do not condone or tolerate behavior that undermines the dignity of any individual. Expressions of hate such as intimidation, harassment, offensiveness or hostility will not be tolerated.

We will struggle against all forms of discrimination and harassment, including but not limited to: Islamophobic, anti-Semitic, xenophobic, sexist, racist, classist, ableist, homophobic, transphobic, ageist sentiments and/or remarks. We all have an obligation to ensure that an open and inclusive space, free of hate is established.

We support growth and understanding and believe in providing opportunities for individuals to acknowledge the impact of their remarks, with the understanding that the experiences of those impacted by discriminatory sentiments or remarks will be privileged.

If you are not here in an understanding of good faith or you have violated this understanding, you will be asked to leave. Do you agree?