

BU GSO – Meeting Type

Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2025

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: Zoom

I. Welcoming remarks by the president and new e-board introductions

- A. Introduce the E-Board
- B. What is the GSO and what does the GSO do?

II. E-board Reports

President's Report

- 1. Departmental good standings requirements
- 2. Who can participate in GSO events? All grad students (not just GRS). Voting and grants are limited to GRS students.
- 3. Representatives: 2 per department and one alternate regardless of department size
- 4. We are still seeking a Treasurer for January 2025-December 2025.

Vice-President's Report

- 1. Meeting attendance: Mandatory for department reps.
 - a. Note: If you can not attend, your proxy can attend. Email Charles (cag@bu.edu) your proxy name.
- 2. Voting: Mandatory to be present (Online/Offline).
 - a. Note: If you can't attend, your proxy can vote. Email Charles (cag@bu.edu) your proxy name.

Secretary's Report

- 1. Archive request – trying to build out GSO's archive both for organizational memory and for use in social media, etc. Request to share photos of current or old events in either digital or physical formats. Please share with Brooke (baroth@bu.edu).
- 2. Pub Night tentatively scheduled for March 4th at 6-7:30pm.

Treasurer's Report

- 1. Budget update
 - a. Starting Balance on BU's sheet: \$50,000
 - b. Current Balance: \$29,421
 - c. Travel Grants: \$35,000 allotted for this year's three TF rounds
 - d. Meeting Expenses: \$1,000

- e. Social Events: \$6,000
- f. Co-sponsored Events: \$3,000
- g. Professional Development: \$1,500
- h. Exec board stipends: \$3,500

III. Closing

- A. Next meeting is Wednesday March 5, 2025 at 2pm.
- B. Quick check of who can attend future meetings in person, who can only attend on Zoom, and who is unsure.
- C. International Chair update of planned actions.
- D. Goodbye and enjoy the long weekend.

Present:

Arjun Sharma, Charles Gobert, Brooke Rothamer, Bhavya Vadavalli, Emily Nootbaar, Allison Carroll Jodoin, Elinore Avni, Shamiya Ford, So Young Jeon, Hannah Kloster, Rachel Vogt, Fargol Khosravanifard, Jon Martin, Abigail Beech, Matt Brewer, Samantha Vee, Ryan Deneen, Guangmei Liu, Kate Finnerty, Samuel Messer