



Alumni Association

**GEORGE WASHINGTON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION:  
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION  
AND MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Washington, District of Columbia  
June 2, 2016**

The Annual Meeting (the “Meeting”) of the George Washington Alumni Association (the “Association” or “GWAA”), in conjunction with a business meeting of the Association’s Board of Directors (the “Board”) was held in Washington, D.C. on June 2, 2016.

Mr. Jeremy Gosbee, President of the Association, acted as Chair of the Meeting. At approximately 6:30 p.m., the Chair called the Meeting to order and announced that the Association’s Annual Meeting would proceed with the transaction of business.

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The first matter to come before the Association was a welcome and introductions by Mr. Gosbee, including recognition of several University trustees and administrators in attendance or expected to attend during the course of the Meeting. Mr. Gosbee noted that the Association bylaws require an annual meeting at which all alumni present may vote on the election of new members-at-large of the Association’s board of directors, as well as officer positions presented for election, which at this meeting include the Association’s President-Elect. He announced that this meeting was being broadcast live online, so there is an enhanced opportunity for alumni to participate. In addition, he noted, the Meeting provides an opportunity to recognize all of the Association’s board members whose terms of service are concluding.

The second matter to come before the Association was the minutes of the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Association meeting held on June 4, 2015, presented by Mr. Morgan Corr, Secretary of the Association. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on June 4, 2015 were adopted.

The third matter to come before the Association was the financial report by Mr. Aaron Deer, Vice President for Financial Affairs and Treasurer of the Association, based upon materials distributed in advance of the meeting. He presented the Association’s fiscal year operating budget and balance sheet, and summarized the annual revenue and expenses. He then provided an overview of the GWAA’s affinity partnerships, noting that they are set to be renegotiated, and the GWAA grants program for alumni affinity groups.

The fourth matter to come before the Association was a review of the past year conducted by Mr. Gosbee, along with Mr. Matthew Manfra, GW Associate Vice President for Alumni Relations. Mr. Gosbee began his report by recognizing the Board of Directors' and particularly the executive committee, representing the leadership of the various other committees of the Board. In reviewing the year, Mssrs. Manfra and Gosbee touched on the progress of the *Making History* capital campaign and the Association-sponsored *Colonials Helping Colonials Fund*; the many alumni events happening around the world, with particular emphasis on Alumni Weekend and signature events; the integration of the Corcoran School of Art and Design into the life of the university and the Association; the expansion of staffing dedicated directly to supporting the alumni population; efforts the Association is undertaking to represent alumni interests to the university; and looking forward to the bicentennial of the university in 5 years. Mr. Aristide Collins, GW Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations also briefly addressed the Association and welcomed all present back to campus.

The fifth matter to come before the Association was the election of directors and officers. Mr. Gosbee thanked and recognized the directors present who would be ending their service on the Board, including Members-at-Large and School Representatives. He then acknowledged the work of the Nominations and Governance Committee in screening candidates for Member-at-Large seats and officers. He announced the following slate of nominees for a second term as Members-at-Large recommended by the Nominations and Governance Committee:

- Martin Baum
- Deborah Butterfly
- Christine Carnavos
- Charles Calloway
- Shannon Doyle
- Tim Gowa
- Jennifer Guzman
- Alex Haseley
- Brooke Morita
- Venessa Perry
- Courtney Tallman Thorne
- Marilyn Yakowitz

Mr. Gosbee considered the recommendation of the Nominations and Governance Committee to be a regular motion to approve the slate, which was then seconded. The slate was elected to a second term unanimously.

Mr. Gosbee then reported the recommendation of the Nominations and Governance Committee for Members-at-Large for new terms:

- Natalya Bah
- Kathleen Bikus
- Marcos Bronfman
- Christine Cannon
- Ninio Fetalvo
- Kumar Jeev
- John Samuel
- April Stubbs Smith

Mr. Gosbee considered the recommendation of the Nominations and Governance Committee to be a regular motion to approve the slate, which was then seconded. The slate was elected unanimously.

Mr. Gosbee then reported the recommendation of the Nominations and Governance Committee for President-Elect of Ms. Venessa Perry. Upon a motion regularly made and seconded, Ms. Perry was elected unanimously.

Mr. Gosbee then announced his appointments for Board leadership for the ensuing year:

- Asha Aravindakshan as Vice President for Career Services
- James Walker as Vice President for Communications
- Christine Carnavos as Vice President for Nominations and Governance
- Fiona Conroy as Vice President for Programs
- Jacqueline Hackett as Vice President for Student-Alumni Initiatives
- Jim Quinlan as Vice President for Awards
- Julie Silverbrook as Parliamentarian
- Aaron Binstock as Chair of Direct Outreach Ad Hoc Committee
- Jeff Fair as at-large appointment to the Executive Committee
- Marilyn Yakowitz as at-large appointment to the Executive Committee

The next matter before the Board was new business and public comment. There being no new business upon motion duly made and seconded the Association voted to adjourn at approximately 7:45 p.m.

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The foregoing is a true record of the proceedings described herein and has been reviewed and approved by the Board, which gave authority to the undersigned to so authenticate.

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Name: Jeremy Gosbee  
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