



GPSA Finance Committee March 2026 Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order:

- a. The meeting was held on March 10, 2026, at 6:00 PM in SUB Fiesta A & B. The meeting began at 6:02 PM and was presided over by Acting Finance Director Charlotte Auh.
- b. Roll Call:
 - i. Director: Soumyodipta Karmakar (absent)
 - ii. Vice-Chair: Charlotte Auh – Not voting; acting as director
 - iii. Member: Xiaoxuan (Shane) Li – Voting Member
 - iv. Member: Hope Smith – Voting Member (absent)
 - v. Member: Refat Mishuk – Voting Member
 - vi. Member: Nikhil Sain – Voting Member
- c. Quorum was established (4 out of 6 FC members present at roll call).
- d. The agenda was opened for questions and discussion
 - i. Motion to amend the agenda to move Appropriation#27S to the first slot of New Business – Nikhil moved, Shane seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
 - ii. Motion to approve agenda with amendments – Nikhil moved, Shane seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. Indigenous People’s Land & Territory Acknowledgement was read into the record.

2. Opening Business:

- a. Approval of Last FC Meeting’s (February, 2026) Minutes: February 2026 minutes adopted by motion (moved, seconded, approved unanimously).
- b. Public Comment:
 - i. None

3. Officer Reports:

- a. Finance Committee Members Report: Nikhil raised concerns about the “Earliest Funding Available with SGAO” dates included in the GPSA Appropriation Schedule as it was confusing for CSOs. The committee decided to announce to CSOs after



their appropriation hearing that while this date is the *earliest* possible date, there is no guarantee that funding will be available on this date.

- b. Finance Director: None
- c. Vice Chair Report – Presented by Charlotte Auh, thanked committee for their hard work on the previous Saturday for budget deliberations and hearings. Announced the next FC meeting on April 25th.

4. Business:

a. New Business

i. March 2026 Appropriation Requests

1. Sweeping motion to open all appropriations on March 10, 2026 agenda – Nikhil moved, Refat seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Motion to suspend the standing rules for GPSA governing body – Refat moved, Shane seconded. Unanimously approved.
3. Appropriation#27S – Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) Executive Branch
 - a. Line 7 recommended for full amount (\$4,050)
4. Motion to table Appropriation#25S – Bengal United Sports Club – Refat moved, Shane seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Appropriation#26S – Women’s Law Caucus (WLC)
 - a. Line 7 recommended for full amount (\$490)
6. Motion to enter recess at 6:20pm until 6:30pm – Nikhil moved, Shane seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Motion to end recess and reenter Parliamentary Procedure – Nikhil moved, Refat seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
8. Appropriation#25S – Bengal United Sports Club (BUSC)
 - a. Refat Mishuk disclosed his affiliation with this CSO.
 - b. Line item 7 recommended for \$660 (\$330/event acc. to quotes; 2 small events) – Motion to fund line item 7 at \$660 – moved by
 - c. Line item 14 recommended for \$70 (max 70% allocation) – Motion to fund line item 14 at \$70 – Nikhil moved, Shane seconded. Motion passed unanimously.



- d. Line item 21 recommended for \$70 (max 70% allocation) – Motion to fund line item 21 at \$70 – Nikhil moved, Refat seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
 - e. Line item 28 recommended for \$56 (max 70% allocation) – Motion to fund line item 28 at \$56 – Nikhil moved, Shane seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
 - f. Line item 35 recommended for \$21 (max 70% allocation) – Motion to fund line item 35 at \$21 – Refat moved, Nikhil seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- ii. Sweeping motion to approve Appropriation#25S through Appropriation#27S as adjusted – Refat moved, Nikhil seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Closing

- a. SGAO Comment – Karl Anderson announced that the Finance Committee allocated around \$5,400 for the three appropriations seen tonight, leaving FC with approximately \$35,500 for the last meeting in April.
- b. Committee Member Comments – None.
- c. Vice-Chair Comments – Vice Chair Charlotte Auh shared that the Finance Committee would have their next meeting on April 25th.
- d. Director Comment – None
- e. Meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM.

6. Vice-Chair's Post-Meeting Note (for Council Public Comment):

- a. Per Article X, 2 (Posting of Minutes) of the Spring 2026 GPSA Finance Committee Standing Rules, these minutes are posted as a DRAFT and are pending approval by the Finance Committee at its next regular meeting.