Fulcrum Publishing Society
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
Sunday January 26, 2026
Zoom 1:00pm-3:00 PM

Present: Keelan Buck, Peace Obierika, Mathilda Zagabe, Devin Beauregard, Jason Seguya (Executive Director),

Absent: Andrew Wilimek (justified), Agape Williams, David Okengwu, Kavi Vidya Achar (Editor in Chief)

I. Opening Matters

Meeting officially began at 1:05pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion: D. Beauregard moved to approve the agenda with the amendment of moving the approval of the minutes from the AGM to the next board meeting, seconded by M. Zagabe. **Motion passed.**

2. Approval of November 2025 Minutes

Motion: D. Beauregard moved to approve the minutes for the November 2025 board meeting, seconded by P. Obierika. **Motion passed.**

3. Provisional Approval of October 2025 AGM Minutes

Motion: D. Beauregard moved to provisionally approve the minutes for the October 2025 AGM, seconded by M. Zagabe. **Motion passed.**
Action: October 2025 AGM minutes to be presented at 2026 AGM for approval.

II. Officers' reports

Editors-in-Chief (EIC) - presented by J. Seguya (in absence of EIC)

- There has been a consorted effort to diversify content on the Fulcrum website.
- Majority of NASH planning has been mostly completed.
- The Fulcrum will be tabling at the UOttawa career fair, which should provide an opportunity to expand our reach and engagement with students.
- EIC election to be taking place in March, 2026.

Executive Director (ED) Report – presented by J. Seguya

- Received an inquiry from the Summer Jobs program asking for clarifications on the Fulcrum's organization.
- Outstanding expenses owed to our previous ED and to the auditor have been paid. The issue arose due to expenses still being linked to the previous ED's accounts.

    - The ED is currently developing an inventory of subscriptions/expenses to better track these types of ongoing expenses moving forward.
- The process of transitioning the bank accounts remains ongoing. The ED requires additional support from the board to finalize the process.
- Bill 33 update: ED has been networking with other outlets (such as the Charleton).
    - It appears implementation of Bill 33 will be at the discretion of the universities.
    - ED/governance committee to explore scenarios for what Bill 33 could mean for the Fulcrum's funding.

President's Report & **Treasurer Report** – presented by D. Beauregard
- Efforts have been focused on updating administrative files (re: motion trackers, meeting minutes, etc.)
- Work to begin on the 2026-2027 budget.
- Orientation meetings for new board members to be scheduled.
- **Governance committee** will be meeting soon to discuss Bill 33.
    - **Action:** Terms of reference to be amended to allow the governance committee to serve finance committee functions.

(Pause 1:53pm-2:00pm)

III. Committee Updates
- No updates from committees at this point.

IV. Closing Business
- Board composition (re: officer positions): No updates.
- A UOttawa student has expressed interest in joining the board. Discussion in-camera.
- Motion Tracker is up-to-date; only outstanding motion is to update the bylaws following change approved at AGM.
- Workplan is progressing; all items are complete or in-progress.
- **Motion:** D. Beauregard moves that the meeting move in-camera, seconded by M. Zagabe. **Motion passed.**

In-Camera – Board Recruitment

N/A

V. Adjournment
- **Motion:** D. Beauregard moves to adjourn the meeting, seconded by M. Zagabe. **Motion passed.**
    - Meeting adjourned at 2:39pm.