



University Doctoral Students Union of Eötvös Loránd University
Minutes of the Board of Presidents

MINUTES
of the Ordinary Meeting of the ELTE EDÖK Board of Presidents

Held on: May 18, 2026, at 11:00 AM

Present Members with Voting Rights:

- **András Gombás** EDÖK President
- **dr. Lili Boglárka Karácsony** Faculty of Law (ÁJK) DÖK President
- **Boglárka Fanni Tóth** Faculty of Humanities (BTK) DÖK President
- **Gábor Dragonya** Faculty of Economics (GTK) DÖK President
- **Edina Beáta Makszim** Faculty of Education and Psychology (PPK) DÖK President
- **Botond Géza Gereczi** Faculty of Science (TTK) DÖK President

Present Guests with Consultative Rights:

- **Zoltán Kovács** Chair of the EDÖK Supervisory Board
- **Levente Szemerédi** Nominee for Presidential Commissioner for Strategic Affairs
- **Tahereh Mousavi** BTK DÖK Representative

Zoltán Kovács established that the Board of Presidents was quorate with 5 voting members present.

András Gombás undertook the task of recording the minutes.

András Gombás presented the previously sent agenda items:

1. Current Issues
 - a. Regulations and contracts of the cooperative doctoral programme
 - b. National research on the mental well-being of doctoral students
 - c. Report on the results of the autumn 2025 doctoral OHV questionnaires
2. Personnel Matters
 - a. Approval of the appointment of the Presidential Commissioner for Strategic Affairs
3. Strategic Matters
 - a. Preparation of General Assembly materials

The Board of Presidents adopted the agenda with a unanimous vote of 5 "yes" votes.

1. Current Issues

a. Regulations and contracts of the cooperative doctoral programme

András Gombás informed the Board that he had sent the resolution of the General Assembly to the university's Legal Director, and granted EDÖK's approval for the amendment of the regulations, given that the conditions formulated in the resolution were met.

András Gombás pointed out that in addition to the regulations, university contracts will also be needed: a central study-type contract for all cooperative doctoral students and an employment contract for the half-time teaching assistant position.

Botond Géza Gereczi joined the meeting, increasing the number of voting members present to 6.

b. National research on the mental well-being of doctoral students

András Gombás shared the call for the survey launched by the National Doctoral Council with the Board and asked the faculty presidents to distribute it.

c. Report on the results of the autumn 2025 doctoral OHV questionnaires

András Gombás shared the report with the Board and explained that the anonymous raw results of the questionnaire could also be used for EDÖK's upcoming strategy-making process.

d. Use and regulation of artificial intelligence

András Gombás informed the Board that a 0-credit criterion subject on the use of artificial intelligence will be announced, which will have uniform content across training levels, will only need to be completed once during the training levels, and will only apply to new entering students.

Gábor Zsolt Dragonya sent the draft rector's directive on AI use for information.

2. Personal Matters

a. Approval of the appointment of the Presidential Commissioner for Strategic Affairs

András Gombás shared the draft appointment with the Board, drawing attention to the fact that strategy-based operation could have paramount importance in the upcoming period due to the transformation of the government structure, sectoral management, and higher education.

Levente Szemerédi confirmed the need for a strategy based on consensus spanning across cycles. He explained that he plans to create a working group for the process, to which he expects members of the Doctoral Students Union to join. He indicated that he will prepare the timeline of the strategy-making process and the framework of the working group's operation for the upcoming session of the General Assembly. He confirmed that the transparent and accountable operation of the Union must be guaranteed, for which additional related organizational development measures will also need to be elaborated.

The Board adopted **Board Resolution 5/2026 (V. 18.)** unanimously with 6 "yes" votes, supporting the appointment of Levente Szemerédi as Presidential Commissioner for Strategic Affairs as per proposal 2.a.

3. Strategic Matters

a. Preparation of General Assembly materials

András Gombás explained that there is a plan to prepare an authentic English translation of the Statutes following the amendments.

András Gombás explained that the 1st package of amendments should be discussed by the General Assembly in May so that the proposal can be sent to the Senate in June, allowing the amendments regarding the autumn representative elections to enter into force during the summer. He presented the current status of the amendment proposal, highlighting the details of the concepts regarding the election periods.

Zoltán Kovács explained that the September 15 start is necessary due to the recording of active student status and the requesting of data of first-year doctoral students.

András Gombás informed the Board about the expected date and agenda items of the upcoming General Assembly meeting.

b. Operational discussion on plans for the remainder of the cycle

In response to Boglárka Fanni Tóth's question, András Gombás explained that with the adoption and entry into force of the regulations, the mandate of the faculty presidents will last until the inaugural faculty general assembly following the elections. According to their current mandate, they are obliged to perform their official duties until then.

Boglárka Fanni Tóth explained that due to obtaining her absolutorium, she is expected to resign from her faculty president position at the end of June. She informed the Board that she is preparing a summary document on the knowledge related to the BTK DÖK presidential tasks, based on which recruitment and succession training can be carried out.

Botond Géza Gereczi indicated that he plans to complete his cycle and would gladly run again for the TTK DÖK president position.

Edina Beáta Makszim indicated that she plans to complete her current PPK DÖK presidential cycle.

Gábor Zsolt Dragonya indicated that he plans to complete his current GTK DÖK presidential cycle.

dr. Lili Boglárka Karácsony indicated that she plans to complete her current ÁJK DÖK presidential cycle.

Zoltán Kovács indicated that he will start his last academic year in the training next year, so he would hand over the position during the summer, so that the autumn ordinary representative elections are already managed by the next Chair of the Supervisory Board, for which he plans to prepare supporting materials and templates in advance.

András Gombás adjourned the meeting.

Budapest, June 2, 2026

András Gombás
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