



Calgary Academy Society
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
October 20, 2015

In Attendance:

Directors: Rob Roach; **Paul** Knapp; Ken McNeill; Linda Fox-Mellway; Marianne Desmeules; Becky Wetherell

Administration: Josh Van Beers; Dale Erickson; Janice Nigh; Jan Jordan

Regrets: Todd Hirsch; Al Wahlstrom

1. **Call to Order:** 6:00 pm – Rob Roach

2. **Consideration of Consent of Agenda**

Rob Roach approved the Consideration of Consent of Agenda as presented

3. **Approval of the minutes of the September 15, 2015 regular meeting of the Board of Directors**

Rob Roach approved the minutes of the September 15, 2015 regular meeting of the Board of Directors with the addition of:

6. 9) - TAAPCS Liaison to committee assignments

4. **Youth Campus Update** - Dale

The committee continues to work on the Lease agreement with the same issues unresolved:

- What should happen in the event that CAA closes – defining use of space
- Who covers maintenance costs - defined

Another meeting is scheduled for the last week of October in the hopes that things will move forward. As this is the first ever project of this kind, lawyers are reluctant to take any risks and want to follow proper protocol.

5. **Finance Update** – The 2014-15 audit is in the final stages. The audit committee will meet to review the AFS, Notes and 2015/16 budget prior to sending the work to the auditor. CAA continues to be in a positive position. A financial report prior to audit review is included in Board Documents.
6. **Board Positions discussion and prioritization:**
 - 1) Government Liaison – Linda
 - 2) Stampede Liaison – Linda
 - 3) CAAS Foundation and Community Liaison - Marianne
 - 4) Legal Liaison – vacant
 - 5) New Initiatives Liaison – Al Wahlstrom (tentative) and Becky
 - 6) Policy Development Liaison – Paul and Rob
 - 7) Finance Liaison – Ken(finance committee)
 - 8) CAA Alumni Achievement Research committee – Rob
 - 9) TAAPCS Liaison – Paul
7. **Winter Celebration** – Members were asked to provide a list of guests for the VIP reception to Kevin Loftus. Invites will be sent on their behalf. This list will be coordinated with Foundation’s list.
8. **Funding Initiative Update** – Dale reported that the \$10,000 grant competition – “Investing in Hope” with CREB (Calgary Real Estate Board) was awarded to CAAF. CAAF is currently working on a grant which focuses on Youth Mental Health, Success, Mind & Spirit. Other pending donation commitments are getting close to \$800,000.
Linda recommended that the Board develop a policy, in conjunction with Foundation, for Foundation to provide monthly reports for regular meetings of the Board of Directors.
Linda commended Dale and Janice for all of their hard work for the Youth Campus initiative.
9. **High School Proposal – Josh and Dale – Existing facility has space for up to 100 high school students. People are interested to know how it is different:**
 - Inter-discipline opportunities
 - Students can engage in real world issues
 - Design thinking is key to the high school process



- Applied skills
- Challenges – plans are in place
- Supported guidance through the process
- Away from text books and memorizing
- Partnerships - developing course work elsewhere
- Size limitation
- Early credits starting with 10/20/30 credits
- Course credits (CEU) determines sustainable school funding
- Funding will be challenging in the early stages until numbers are in place
- Can it be replicated?
- Will it influence change?
- Pillars carry over culturally
- Pedagogy layers hinges on design thinking and creative problem solving

See article in Board Documents

Meeting Adjourned at 7:10 pm

**** Important Dates:**

November 17, 2015 – Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors – 5:30 pm – Lakeview Library

November 17, 2015 – Annual General Meeting – 7:00 pm – Lakeview Library

December 11, 2015 – Winter Celebration – Jubilee Auditorium – 7:00 pm