



Calgary Academy Society  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
March 17, 2015

**In Attendance:**

**Directors:** Al Wahlstrom; Todd Hirsch(telephone); Rob Roach; Cheryl Gullason; Becky Wetherell;

**Regrets:** Kari Roberts; John Gulak

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

**New Prospective Members:** Paul Knapp; Mary Anne Desmeules(regrets); Ken McNeill(regrets)

1. **Call to Order:** 6:10 pm – Rob Roach
2. **Approval of Consent Agenda** – Rob Roach
3. **Approval of the minutes of the February 24, 2015 regular meeting of the Board of Directors** – Rob Roach
4. **Approval of appointment of new Directors** - Todd made a recommendation to appoint three new directors to the Board totaling 10 directors – Paul Knapp, Mary Anne Desmeules and Ken McNeill. New directors will be asked to send in their bios and they will be posted to the Board Documents. Once this is done, Jan will ask for electronic approval of the new appointments.  
**Motion: 2015-03-17-01:** To appoint Paul Knapp, Mary Anne Desmeules and Ken McNeill to the Board of Directors  
**Moved:** Cheryl Gullason **Passed upon ratification of remaining Members**
5. **School Calendar Approval** – Josh presented the proposed 2015-16 School calendar. The calendar is consistent with the 2014-15 school calendar with a slightly later start in August. The proposed school calendar meets the requirements of Alberta Education.  
**Motion: 2015-03-17-02** - To approve the 2015-16 School Calendar as presented  
**Motion:** Rob Roach **Passed**  
**Board Meeting dates were also determined and will be posted.**
6. **Approval of 2015-2016 School Fees – Jan** – It is recommended that the School Fees be raised by \$5 for K-8 to cover fees that were previously charged separately for t-shirts for performances. Fees for grade 9 would include \$5 for t shirts and \$65 for graduation.  
**Recommended Fees:** Kindergarten \$270.00



Years 1 to 5	\$425.00
Years 6 to 8	\$480.00
Year 9	\$545.00

Transportation continues to be in a deficit position. To help ease the deficit position, keeping the families in mind, it is recommended that the full time ridership be raised by \$25 and one way ridership by \$100. Transportation fees at CAA remain lower than other charter schools and one way ridership is consistent with other charters, where offered.

<b>Recommended Transportation Fees:</b>	Full Time	\$775.00
	One Way	\$500.00

**Motion: 2015-03-17-03:** To Approve the Fee Schedule as presented

**Moved:** Becky Wetherell                      **Seconded:** Rob Roach                      **Passed**

**\*The new Fee Schedule will be posted to the CAA Parent Web-site**

**7. Youth Campus Update** – Dale - A letter has been sent out to families today, sharing the Youth Campus progress. The goal is to send out a bi-weekly or monthly report of the progress. The Tripartite agreement is in the final reading stage. The agreement states that should something change in the future with AB Ed, CAA and CS, the building will always remain an educational centre. The goal is for completion in December 2016, and the move to occur over the winter break. Classes will resume in the new building January 2017. Years 4 to 9 will be moving, and the Glenmeadows Campus will remain in CAA’s possession until the move.

**8. Research** - Rob and Kari - Garry Andrews’ presentation offered a clearer understanding of what Alberta Education is looking for in the research area. Rob and Kari have begun the process. It was recommended to focus on “creative maturity” and moving forward with design thinking. The Minister has responded to the request for approval of high school with a list of requirements in order to move forward. Groundwork, strategy and course content are at the forefront in the planning of high school integration at CAA. The Five Year Capital Plan(2017-22) will include the proposed learning spaces for the future high school.

**9. School Council Update** – Becky – The Casino has raised \$77,000 which will be dedicated to technology, physical education and teacher support. In support of the Capital Campaign, School



Council has decided to refrain from fundraising campaigns and to focus on community services. Hot lunches will continue, and Casinos will still be pursued.

**10. Committee Reports – in board documents**

**11. Other Business**

- Future Grade 12 Diploma Exams will be changed from 50% to 30% of final grade.
- Conversations around Bill 10 and GSA in schools, implies that Charter Schools are not public schools and refers to Charters as alternate schools.

**Meeting Adjourned at 6:57 pm**

**\*\* Important Dates:**

**Vertigo Theatre – “This is Not a Crime”** - Performances will be held on April 15 and 16, 2015 @ 7:00 pm. A VIP reception will be held on Wednesday April 15 at 6:15 pm in the Empress Lounge.

**April 21, 2015** - Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors at 6:00 pm. Dinner served at 5:30 at Knob Hill.