



Calgary Academy Society  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
April 11, 2017

**In Attendance:**

**Directors:** Rob Roach; Dave Taylor(phone); Ken McNeill; Katherine Taylor; Carolyn Ferraby; Mary Anne Desmeules

**Administration:** Dale Erickson; Jan Jordan

**Regrets:** Linda Fox-Mellway(on leave); Pat Cavill(on leave); Neil Tichkowsky; Michelle Stonehouse; Al Wahlstrom; Paul Knapp; Todd Hirsch

- 1. Call to Order:** 5:56 pm – Rob Roach
- 2. Approval of Agenda**  
Todd approved the Consideration of Consent of Agenda with recommended deletion of number 9
- 3. Approval of March 21, 2017 minutes of regular meetings of the Board of Directors** as presented - Rob
- 4. Youth Campus update** – Dale - The project continues to be on task with a completion date of October 31, 2017 and a move in plan date of December/January break. Bussing will be planned accordingly including transportation to daycare to Knob Hill. The calendar will be changed to 180 operational days from 175 with 5 less professional & organizational days. The start and finish times will change at each campus to accommodate transportation.
- 5. Advocacy Report – Dave and Katherine** – The video is done with a few cosmetic changes. There are two videos and Dave feels the 14-minute video would be more effective. The longer video was detailed, more compelling, and would hold your attention to the end. Kudos to everyone for their hard work on the video.

The committee met with Steven Carter to solicit advice and a strategy for the future of charter schools and to move forward with the high school proposal. Steven quoted a price for a six month strategic campaign. The committee will meet again with Steven for more information on his campaign proposal. They will put forward a recommendation soon to avoid unnecessary time delays.

Travel expense reimbursement is available for Board members where appropriate. The committee will discuss Dave's role as Chair due to his move to B.C.

6. **Budget 2017/18** – The 2017/18 draft budget was shared with the board with a deficit of \$47,003 to be taken from Accumulated Operating Surplus(AOS). The draft reflects the following:

- Based on zero increase to funding support
- Based on current student count
- Grid increases to certificated staff based on 85% of CBE grid
- Increase of 2% to support staff
- Increase of 2% to Resident Artists
- Increase to custodian staff with one year experience or more
- Addition of a security person at the Youth Campus(new position)
- Increase to Direct Energy budget due to carbon tax and increase in rates
- Increase of instructional days to 180 from 175(increase to bussing cost)
- Decrease in number of busses from 7 to 6, implementing neighbourhood stops

7. **Policy Manual Presentation**– Rob previously sent out the new policy manual for review, comments and to make any necessary changes and revisions. A few recommendations were made for changes at which the group felt the manual was ready for recommendation for approval.

**Motion 2017-04-11-01** - To approve the presented Policy Manual with the recommended minor revisions.

**Moved:** Mary Anne

**Seconded:** Dave

**Passed**

Approval dates will be added to the documents and posted to the website. The next review of policy should be in two years.

### 8. **Committee Reports & Updates**

- **TAAPCS** - next meeting is in Valhalla on May 12<sup>th</sup> and 13 attended by Paul
- **GALA Update** - 69 tickets sold, still lounges and tables available for purchasing, and donations greatly appreciated
- **School Council** – Carolyn – questions around parking at the new campus for parent volunteers, and student pick up area. More information will be available as it gets closer. No playground plans have been considered at this time.

### 9. **Meeting Adjourned** at 7:10 pm

### **INFORMATION ITEMS** - \*\* Upcoming School/ Board Events

- Regular meeting of the Board of Directors – **May 16, 2017** - Knob Hill - staff room
- Second Annual Fundraiser – **May 12, 2017** - Please book your tickets – Board Deadline for discount is April 13