



**Calgary Arts Academy Society
Meeting of the Board of Directors
August 5, 2015
Glenmeadows Campus**

In Attendance: Todd Hirsch, Rob Roach, Ken McNeill, Marianne Desmeules, Al Walstrom

Administration: Dale Erickson, Jan Jordan

1. **Call to Order:** 6:07 pm Todd Hirsch
2. **Approval of the Agenda** – Addition of 5.1 Restatement of Budget Report 2016 – Todd
3. **Youth Campus Update** – Dale - The lawyers have not reached an agreement on the wording in the lease should CAA be disbanded for any reason.
 - **Month of July Activity** - The site contamination report has been completed including soil and water testing; removal and abatement of hazardous materials; landsite subdivision; offsite improvements have been identified (sidewalks, parking, landscaping); erosion & sediment control report is complete. The letter that Avi Habinski (Alberta Infrastructure) wrote to the Deputy Minister has been approved.
 - **Capital Plan** – Dale has been given an extension on the Capital Plan submission to Alberta Education. His recommendation to the Board is to keep Knob Hill to house future K-Y1 students. The Board gave Dale directive to include Knob Hill in the Capital Plan.
 - **Phase 1** – Spaces – CAA, Treaty 7 Nations, Stampede School, Calgary Opera, Company of Youth Canadians, Youth Speech and Debate Team, Sam Centre(Museum), Stampede Show Band including Costume Design
 - **Programming** – Stampede Ranch curriculum, Food Services opportunities, Rural & Urban Youth programs –Agrium Western Events, International Programming
 - **Outside of Youth Campus – Opportunities**
 - Calgary Public Library – resources, shared spaces, display of work and performances to public
 - National Music Centre – performance opportunities, shared instruction resources and talents
 - Fort Calgary – discussions
 - Communities – Englewood, Connaught and Ramsay
 - “Maker Space” – carpentry, electronics etc.
 - TAAPCS – Observing CAA partnership and hoping to help move charter schools forward
 - University of Calgary – High school curriculum, research
 - **Next Steps** – Strategic Plan
 - **2017** – Middle School – Years 4-9 – 300
 - **2018** – Add year 10

- **2019** – Add year 11
- **2020** – Add year 12 – Addition to Education Centre, Walden Hall, Saddledome
- **2021** – 1250 students – Elementary, Middle and High School completion
- **Foundation** – CAA is one of the few schools that have a Foundation. CAA Foundation has worked very hard over the summer on the capital campaign. The goal is to raise the 1.2 million dollars plus the \$620,000 that has been approved use of surplus money to complete the project. This should all move forward once the lease has been approved, and prospective donors are given assurance of development. The Grant Committee is waiting to hear back on grant applications that have been submitted.
- **Ground Breaking Ceremony** – Date to be determined once AB Education has a date
 - Invited speakers – Premier, Minister of Education, Minister of Infrastructure, Calgary Stampede, Calgary Arts Academy Foundation Chair and Board Chair
 - Invite media
 - Prepare staff, board and foundation for questions
 - Invite all former and current parents, students, directors, staff, and foundation members.
 - Keep ceremony short
 - Student performance – CAA song
- 4. **Advocacy Committee** – Cheryl absent – no report
- 5. **Restatement of Budget Report 2016** – Expenses formerly dedicated to youth campus expenses have been reallocated to future capital expenses. Final 2015/16 Budget reports a surplus of \$26,126.
Motion 2015-08-05-01 to Approve the 2016 Budget Report as restated
Moved: Ken McNeill **Passed**
Jan will submit the restated budget.
- 6. **Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm**

Important dates:

- **Board Retreat – September 12, 2015 at ATB Financial Bank – 9:30 am coffee and muffins; 10:00 am call to order. Agenda to follow**
- **August 18, 2015 meeting of the Board cancelled**