



**Calgary Arts Academy Society  
Meeting of the Board of Directors  
November 16, 2021 Meeting Agenda**

In Attendance: Ken McNeill, John McWilliams, Jim McLeod, Doug Frenette, Susan Wright, Neil Tichkowsky, Josh Dalledonne, Court Ellingson

Administration: Michelle Stonehouse, Janice Nigh, Cole Jordan, Dale Erickson, Cheralyn Doell

Guests: Laura Rivero (KPMG), Catherine Laidre (KPMG), Blythe Buttler, Lorraine Becker

With Regrets: Linda Fox-Mellway, Todd Hirsch, Katherine Taylor

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors**

1. Call to order – 6:10
2. Approval of the Agenda – Considered Approved
3. Approval of October 19, 2021 minutes of Regular Meetings of the Board of Directors - Considered Approved
4. Audit Committee – Neil -
  - Approval of the AFS - The Audit Committee met with Laura and Catherine and Cole last week. The Result is a clean audit, with no issues identified. Laura – We always appreciate working with CAA. Thanks to Cole for the hard work and for making it easy on them. The Committee would like to review the data from the dashboard and look into how to make it meaningful.

**Motion 1** – Neil - To recommend at the AGM the approval of the 2020/2021 Audited Financial Statements as presented. – Doug Seconded – Motion Passes

- Appointment of Auditors – Discussion was had regarding KPMG and the services they provided.

**Motion 2** - Neil – To recommend at the AGM the re-appointment of KPMG as auditors for the 2021/2022 financial year. - Josh Seconded – Motion Passes

Lastly, the Audit Committee needs to add a non board member to the committee, with a background in adult education.

5. Superintendent Report – Dale – TAAPCS has a new President, Lynn Paridis. Dale’s last meeting as President was with the Premier who is very supportive of Charter Schools. He was concerned that we haven’t moved the bar enough at this point in time, and at the end of the session said that we need to get this work done. We are hopeful that we can move forward with providing charters with tools for success.

Capital Planning, we are trying to find a space solution. We hope to meet with Stampede December 16<sup>th</sup>. Dale did talk with Angie about using additional space on stampede grounds. Capital planning has agreed to meet weekly until we get a resolution.

Met with Randy Billy to review our education plan, which is still working well. Alberta Ed has a strong positive view of our school.

We have circulated a mandatory vaccine Policy for approval. This has been created in conjunction with other charters schools.

**Motion 3** – John - To accept the new COVID Vaccination Policy as presented – Seconded Court – Motion Passes

Bill 18 - There are changes that are happening in the teaching profession, with a new directive to focus on transparency in the teaching. This Bill creates a registry of all teachers which will be available to the public. There will be mandatory criminal record check every 5yrs and if any teacher is convicted of any offense, the public will be able to access the information. The government has tried to make any disciplinary action less onerous. Timelines have been reduced.

6. Advocacy

- Government Relations Committee – Ken – The Government has only 2% of the students population piloting the curriculum and is saying that that is sufficient. The UCP are having an AGM, and the education policy is in the agenda.
- Capital Plan/Infrastructure Committee – Jim - No further update
- Community Engagement Committee – Joshua –

Arts Coordinator – Cheralyn presented her report want walk through it for everyone. The Relationship with the Public Library has been great as has been their events. The feedback from students on these events have been fantastic. We will be filming Jubilee again this year, and look forward to a live stream in December.

#### 7. Governance Committee – John

- 2021/2022 Board of Director Nominations – The Governance Committee has met and has proposed this slate directors for the ensuing year.
  1. Ken McNeill, John McWilliams, Jim McLeod, Doug Frenette, Susan Wright, Neil Tichkowsky, Josh Dalledonne, Court Ellingson, Lorraine Becker

We would like to introduce Lorraine Becker to the slate as a new director. Lorraine has 20 years of diverse experience that includes government relations, fundraising, financing strategies, strategic planning, and strategic marketing.

**Motion 4** - John – To recommend at the AGM the approval of the 2021/2022 Board of Directors as listed – Seconded Susan - Motion Passes

We have connected with a head hunter to help identify potential directors to help provide more diversity. Cole has re-circulated the current CAA policys for review. We will continue to work on those in the months ahead.

**Motion 5** – John - To approve the offices listed for the persuing year in advance of the AGM. - Susan Seconded – Motion Passes

Ken McNeill – Chair, Neil Tichkowsky – Vice Chair/ Treasurer, John  
McWilliams - Secretary

8. School Council – Michelle – School Council had their AGM 2 weeks ago with very little change to the executive. We have a great group of volunteer parents and they are sharing their time and their passions for the school.
9. Meeting Adjournment – 7:39

**INFORMATION ITEMS - \*\* Upcoming School Events:**

- December 14, 2021 – Meeting of the Board of Directors
- January 18, 2022 – Meeting of the Board of Directors