



**Calgary Arts Academy Society
Meeting of the Board of Directors
May 19, 2026 Meeting Agenda**

In Attendance: Ken McNeill, John McWilliams, Jenelle Wohlberg, Jon Yee, Neil Tichkowsky

Administration: Cole Jordan, Michelle Stonehouse, Cheralyn Doell,

With Regrets: Doug Frenette, Rob Roach, Anna Murphy, Joshua Dalledonne, Arsheel Hirji, Michelle James

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

1. Jim's - This Day in History – Jim Macleod's Birthday
2. Call to order – 6:03
3. Approval of the Agenda - Approved
4. Approval of the April 21, 2026 Regular Meetings of the Board of Directors Minutes - Approved
5. Audit Committee – Ken – Audit committee met today. We reviewed the transportation RFP submissions and recommend going with Transdev. The school is bringing in an absence tracker and substitute management software to help make our system faster and more reliable. With the new collective bargaining agreement the teacher grid is moving to a 9 level grid instead of a 10 level grid. Every school gets a harmonization grant, except charter schools which is about \$100,000. We will want to send a letter to the government asking about not receiving this grant. We are formalizing the benefit consortium group and doing so will give the decision making for benefit provider to the consortium. Our new van, Van Gogh will be shrink wrapped.

Motion 1 - Ken - To award Transdev our transportation contract for the upcoming year, subsequent to a satisfactory in-person meeting. - Seconded Jon – Motion Passed

Motion 2 – Ken - To approve moving CAA’s grid to a nine level grid system – Seconded
Jon - Motion Passed

Motion 3 – Ken - To approve joining the benefit consortium – Seconded - Jennelle –
Motion Passed

- 2026 2027 CAA Budget – looking at a 9.5 million in revenue and expenses with an overall deficit of 78,000. Transportation will run a 117,000 deficit. Our unrestricted reserve will be targeted at 325,000, our capital reserves was at 220000. This budget includes a 3% increase to all staff. Cole has done an excellent job.

Motion 4 - To approve the 2026 2027 School budget. Ken – Jennelle – Motion passed

- Scholarship – The new Jim McLeod Memorial Scholarship will be awarded at June’s Graduation Ceremony.
6. Superintendent Report – Michelle – We reviewed the education plan we have some great ideas for next year, including some targeted hirings, a new math plan that builds on our successes. We will continue with our numeracy specialist and we are moving away from jump math to develop our own program.
- AERR – Approval

Motion 5 – Jon - To approve the 2026 Education plan as presented – Seconded Jennelle -
Motion passes

7. Advocacy – Arsh -
8. Capital Planning Committee – Arsh – Arsh sent an update via email.
9. Governance Committee – Jon
- Privacy Management Program – Final Review and approval –

Motion 6 – Jon - To approve the Privacy Management Policy program subject to minor grammatical edits. – Seconded Jenelle – Motion Passed

- Resignations – We want to Recognize the following board members that have stepped down as Board Directors. Anna Murphy, Rob Roach and Doug Frennett, We thank them for there services and hard work and wish them all the best moving forward.
10. Arts Engagement – Joshua – No further update
 11. Board and Foundation Communication - No further update
 12. Arts Coordinator – Cheralyn – This Sunday is the talent show doors opening at 12:30, Grad is June 3rd. We had a great meeting with Alberta Ballet to work at reestablishing a partnership with them.
 13. Meeting Adjournment 7:30– Jenelle, Jon seconded.

INFORMATION ITEMS - ** Upcoming School Events:

- Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors – May 19, 2026