



**Calgary Arts Academy Society
Meeting of the Board of Directors
October 19, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

In Attendance: Ken McNeill, John McWilliams, Josh Dalledonne, Neil Tichkowsky, Doug Frenette, Jim McLeod, Court Ellingson, Blythe Butler(Guest), Shelly Alexander (Guest)

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

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

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

1. Call to order – 6:05
2. Approval of the Agenda – Considered Approved
3. Approval of June 15, 2021 minutes of Regular Meetings of the Board of Directors – Considered Approved
4. Approval of September 14, 2021 minutes of Regular Meetings of the Board of Directors – Considered Approved
5. Acknowledgement of the Motion passed September 15, 2021 - That CAA Board of Directors approves the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (September 30) as a statutory holiday. As such the school will be closed on that day. - Moved by Josh Dalledonne, seconded by Jim McLeod. - Approved
6. Audit Committee – Neil – Audit is in progress, and is progressing smoothly. The Board can review the draft AFS as they are in the board documents site. The AC is still a work in progress. Jim will look to connect with Trotter and Morton, and review their quote. Defer the vote for approval of the quote until the next meeting.
7. Superintendent Report – Dale - This report has a lot of documents associated with it. Currently, We have 35 staff 59 staff voluntarily reporting their vaccine status. We continue to work towards creating a specific policy. It is a difficult process that puts the board in a difficult position, but we are looking at mandatory vaccinations. Notification

of covid cases will come from Alberta Health while contact tracing is now done my schools. The large boards are hiring people specifically for contact tracing.

Our staff used a portion of the last PD day providing feedback on the new curriculum. TAAPCS has hired the Regional Consortium to consolidate the feedback from charters. We look forward to seeing the result.

TAAPCS - The AGM is this Saturday from 9am – 12pm. Normally the chair of the board attends. Dale and Cole are stepping down from their roles. Ken - What Dale has done with the Association as President has been fantastic. It has been more effective than it has ever been. Congratulations.

TAAPCS has a priorities committee meeting that meets monthly. It informs the executive committee on a cohesive direction. It also holds all boards accountable for moving forward together. We have been requested to have a director represent our school. Ron and Dale will be meeting with the Minister of Ed and the Premier to discuss these priorities. We are hopeful for some positive outcomes. It is absolutely huge that we are meeting with the Premier.

We met with Calgary Municipal Land Corp. They were thrilled to know that we have year 10 and 11 currently and they want a highschool for these residents.

Dale keeps in contact with Angie, while they continue to bring the CEO up to speed. We will continue to request information and will write a letter requesting to meet soon.

Congratulations to Michelle Stonehouse who completed her leadership training course. Kim has also completed her course so congratulations to her as well. Juleta and Alyson are currently taking their course right now.

Jubilee will not be in person again this year. The risks to students are too high right now. We are recording a performance. It will be live streamed for families to watch all together, from their homes.

Motion 1 – Court – to go in Camera – John Seconded – Motion Passed

Motion 2 – John - to approve current Covid Protocols as presented – Jim Seconded – Motion Passed

8. Advocacy

- Government Relations Committee – Ken – The only thing to report is that the new Mayor has committed to visit the school.
- Capital Plan/Infrastructure Committee – Jim – No further Updated
- Community Engagement Committee – Joshua – The meeting with year 10 and 11's happened last week, and we are then having a panel discussion moving forward.

9. Governance Committee – John – John has met with all the board members to discuss Nominees for the upcoming AGM. Katherine and Linda have reluctantly decided to not move forward with re-election. Todd is also stepping down as Board Chair. Ken has indicated that we won't run for Chair. Our Current bylaws have space for 12 directors which leaves us with 8 on our board. There is no emergency to get these positions filled. We want to ensure we continue to understand the community we are in and reach out to those people. John will circulate a skills matrix to help with the search.

Motion 3 – John - to recommend an amendment to the bylaws to allow for 14 directors instead of the current 12. - Seconded Neil – Motion Passed

10. School Council – Michelle - The last meeting discussed the CO2 testing in classrooms. We are doing very well, the portables can be better, and council next day purchased some air purifiers for the building. The second thing that came up is to do a Radon Testing done at the school and council is supporting that action. Turn out is great, council is moving into doing a secret santa for seniors.

11. Arts Coordinator – Cheralyn – We are in the process of reengaging the Public Library partnership. Sarah Birch our librarian connected us with an individual over there who has

been fantastic. They have a few programs we are engaging in to help enrich the experience for our students.

12. Meeting Adjournment - 7:51

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INFORMATION ITEMS - ** Upcoming School Events:

- November 16, 2021 – Meeting of the Board of Directors
- November 16, 2021 – Annual General Meeting