



**Calgary Arts Academy Society
Meeting of the Board of Directors
January 18, 2022 Meeting Agenda**

In Attendance: Ken McNeill, Doug Frenette, Susan Wright, Mallory Graham, Jim McLeod, Court Ellingson, Josh Dalledonne

Administration: Michelle Stonehouse, Cole Jordan, Dale Erickson, Cheralyn Doell, Juleta Severson-Baker

With Regrets: John McWilliams, Lorraine Becker, Neil Tichkowsky

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

1. Call to order – 6:06
2. Approval of the Agenda – Approved
3. Approval of December 14, 2021 minutes of Regular Meetings of the Board of Directors - Approved
4. Curriculum Review – Juleta – CAA staff reviewed the fine arts portion of the new curriculum. Teachers and artists spent time in teams divided by interest and expertise. The Regional Consortium gave us feedback on how to synthesise all the information gathered. Alyson and Juleta put it all together and sent the feedback with a summarizing cover letter. They then met in November for a day long online session to review the. The overall theme of the curriculum was more knowing about art vs interacting with it. Seems to be leading towards standardized tests. Not a lot of schools participated. Kudos to our staff on this project.
5. Audit Committee – Doug – Right now we are tracking favourably as we are under budget for the year. We have hired a full-time sub to float which will help with absent staff in the short term. We normally maintain 5-7 subs on our list, but at the end of December we increased that to 11. Securing these subs is helping us get through. We discussed the fee guide with the increases to transportation and the addition of a technology fee to move our technology plan forward. This will be presented at the next

school council meeting for discussion. We are also discussing compensation for staff for next years budget.

6. Superintendent Report – Dale – Infrastructure, Dale recently had a discussion with Roman Sus and we are in a good place finally. we hope to have an answer on a facility in the next month. With a facility we can finally create a plan for student growth.

The announcement went out to the community about the new leadership appointments, and the community have been very supportive.

School council has provided M95 Masks for staff, which are way above what we will be receiving from the government. We are currently seeing anywhere from 23-26% of students at home. We are continuing with learning contracts with those students and we will know shortly if we need to move to online learning.

John Picard has been appointed the Superintendent for the new Charter school.

Motion 1 – Doug - To approve the 2022 2023 school calendar as presented – Susan Seconded – Motion Passed

7. Advocacy

- Government Relations Committee – Ken – Nothing new to report.
- Capital Plan/Infrastructure Committee – Jim – Nothing new to report.
- Community Engagement Committee – Joshua – Defer to Cheralyn.

8. Governance Committee – John – The committee will be meeting shortly.

9. Social Media - Mallory – Met with Josh and Dale last week to see how to leverage the correct accounts. It would be worth while to register on YouTube as it never hurts to own the channel. Also discussed Hootsuite, which aggregates content and gets analytics on who is engaging on it. Talked about a primary audience for the media. Next step is a meeting next week to look at the communication pillar. There is a good opportunity to define what platforms would be great.

10. Arts Coordinator – Cheralyn – Jubilee went well from a technology perspective and received great reviews. There were also lots of requests from parents to get the links again. The students really embraced this platform. The high schools short film which was fantastic. We are moving along with the arts panel, but we are bringing guests to EC to reduce the logistics around it. This panel will be focused on visual and media arts.
11. School Council – Michelle – School Council is still in fundraising mode. They are also looking to do more workshops regarding school pillars and school gatherings. They are working at enhancing our reading materials with more diverse books. It is a wonderfully active group.
12. Meeting Adjournment – 7:30

INFORMATION ITEMS - ** Upcoming School Events:

- February 15, 2022 – Meeting of the Board of Directors