



**Calgary Arts Academy Society  
Meeting of the Board of Directors  
February 11, 2020 Meeting Minutes**

**In Attendance**

Ken McNeill, Jim McLeod, Kathrine Taylor, Linda Fox-Mellway, Neil Tichkowsky, Susan Wright

Administration: Dale Erickson, Janice Nigh, Cole Jordan, Kevin Loftus

With Regrets: Doug Frenette, Todd Hirsch, John McWilliams, Joshua Dalledonne

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors**

1. Call to order – 5:59 pm
2. Approval of the Agenda – Considered approved
3. Approval of January 21, 2020 minutes of Regular Meetings of the Board of Directors – Considered Approved

Ken – Receiving approval to start high school programming in the Fall and getting an increase in our enrollment cap is a significant development for our school. It is a personal triumph of Dale and should be celebrated. Dale read the letter from the Board to Minister LaGrange. We are thankful for all the support and we will continue to pursue the high school diligently. It was agreed that we should frame the letter from the Minister, and post it proudly in our building.

4. Audit Committee – Neil – Not much to report at this time. Everything is within budget and as expected.
5. Superintendent Report – Dale – The Alberta Government will be presenting the Budget on Feb 27<sup>th</sup>, at this time the new funding framework for Alberta Schools will be presented. TAAPCS has agreed on the wording for the speaking in one voice business cards: Choice, Voice, Accountability, Research, Innovation. If there are any thoughts

please email Dale. The admin team has been working to bring to fruition the high school plan. There will be a meeting with all parents who are interested after the break after which we will have enough information to have them enrolled. The main goal is educational success. Students will choose 2 art options over the course of the year. We are assuming that many students have accepted placement at other schools. We are not sure how many will register, but are hoping for around 20. We have the timetables done, some staff identified, and the application for students ready to go.

6. Advocacy

- Government Relations Committee – Ken - Ken would like to hold a special meeting on March the 9<sup>th</sup> to discuss what the high school announcement means for each of our committees moving forward.
- Capital Plan/Infrastructure Committee – Jim – No real update at this time. At the special meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> we can put some ideas together on the Sweetgrass initiative. We want to be on time and on budget. We want to show how we can move forward positively and continue to be the poster child of success.
- Community Engagement Committee – Joshua – Nothing further to report at this time.

7. Governance Committee – John - Nothing further to report at this time.

8. Legal Report – Neil

**Motion 1 (Linda)** – Seconded Susan – To move Discussion to in Camera – Motion Passed

**Motion 2 (Susan)** – Seconded Linda - To move discussion out of Camera – Motion Passed

9. Social Media Update – Joshua – This was discussed with the website update.

10. School Council – Ken – No further update at this time. There has been tremendous value with these monthly meetings.

- Baby and Tots Show - Not discussed.

11. Arts Coordinator – Janice – The plan is to email Vertigo invitations – The Board has been asked to look at the list for who will be invited to Vertigo. The Fair Trade convention is coming up March 12. The fashion show will take place at 2:30. The date for the next CAKE event is May 20<sup>th</sup> and the Community Engagement Committee will enlist speakers.

12. Website Presentation – Kevin – Has gone through and redeveloped the website with a modern new look. He walked the board through each of the pages for the site. The estimated launch date is the start of the 2020 2021 school year.

13. Meeting Adjournment – 8:00

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

- March 17, 2020 – Meeting of the Board of Directors
- March 4-5, 2020 – Grade 8/9 Showcase at Vertigo