

Alberta College of Art + Design (ACAD)



Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Governors (the Board),
Wednesday, April 17, 2013, at 4:00 p.m. in the ACAD Boardroom, 1407 –
14th Avenue NW, Calgary, with the following persons present:

CHAIR: James Peacock, QC

VICE-CHAIR: Margaret-Jean Mannix (*via telephone*)

BOARD MEMBERS: Sheila O'Brien
Dwayne Prazak
Morgan Riotte
Susan Thomas
Sue Anne Valentine (*arrived at 4:20 p.m.*)
Joseph Leung
Dr. Daniel Doz
Gordon Ferguson (*non-voting, pending appointment*)

REGRETS: Cynthia P. Moore

Resources: Julie Snyder (Recording Secretary)

Megan Slater presented this year's President's shawl, which is a five colour silkscreen print that utilizes the white background as a sixth. Each stencil, or colour, of the print was hand reduced and drawn using a photo of the graffiti stairwell located here at ACAD as a guide. It has been printed using procion dye on 100% silk twill. The technique of dye printing was chosen so that the hand of the cloth was preserved. Unlike printing with a base and pigment, this method uses a sodium alginate concoction and dye to place the colour into the cloth. The sodium alginate is then washed away, leaving the colour behind and no stiffness. When coming up with the idea for this shawl Megan started with one question, "What is the one thing at this school that stands out the most, the one thing everyone must see if they come to visit?" The answer was simple, the graffiti stairwell. It is bright, graphic, and constantly changing, just like the people who inhabit this school. The idea that what is created in that stairwell may never be created again or even be there for more than a day is one that has intrigued her for a while. This print can be seen as a symbol of this year's graduating class and the time spent at this wonderful institution. Just like the stairwell, ACAD will never be the same as it is in this moment.

Diana Tomlinson present this year's President's Name Tag Competition winner. The original concept for these name-tags involved each of the letters being adhered to individual magnets, with their background being magnetic as well. The idea was that you could have something to fiddle with. Diana described herself as a fidgety person by nature, and can understand how hard it must be sometimes having to sit still through entire meetings. Beyond the kinesthetic element, you also had the opportunity to re-arrange your name in as many ways as you want. Wouldn't it be funny to see how many names and positions you can come up with? She wondered how many people would even

notice such things. Unfortunately, however, the magnets were a bit too heavy to be deemed practical, thus the creation of these tags. They are a little less silly, but still quite fun.

Megan and Diana were thanked for their wonderfully creative contributions.

The Board meeting was called to order at 4:16 pm, quorum present and with James Peacock, QC as chair.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Ms. Susan Thomas and SECONDED by Mr. Joseph Leung that the agenda be approved as presented.

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2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED by Mr. Dwayne Prazak and SECONDED by Ms. Sheila O'Brien that the minutes of the February 27, 2013 meeting of the Board of Governors be approved.

CARRIED
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3. CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED by Ms. Joseph Leung and SECONDED by Ms. Susan Thomas that the Board of Governors adopt the consent agenda as amended to include the ACAD ACADFA Collective Bargaining 2013 Briefing Report.

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- During the discussion of the Consent Agenda, it was noted that the application deadline for sessional faculty had now passed and the process is in progress. The Faculty Association would like to see a formal procedure developed to address this process. Administration advised that it is developing this procedure to reflect the new academic structure.

4. CHAIR'S REPORT

Dan Barnfield's appointment to the Board as Non-Academic Staff Member Representative effective May 12, 2013 has been approved.

ACAD's request to increase the Board by four members has not been approved by Enterprise and Advanced Education.

There is a meeting with the Public Accounts Committee on April 24, 2013; Daniel Doz, Lori Van Rooijen and Donald Dart will be in attendance to represent ACAD.

5. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance + Audit Committee

- The committee is working toward obtaining a clean audit.

Development Committee

- The fund development projects list was discussed.
- Criteria used when considering projects are: alignment with the Strategic Plan, determining if it resonates with the community and establishing the required resources.
- On May 15, 2013 there will be a special event for up to forty people at the home of Jenny Belzberg in support of the newly developed Art Circle.
- The money raised by the Art Circle will be used to support the Visiting Scholar Program.

Governance Committee

- Working on Board Survey, the September Retreat agenda and developing a revised Board of Governors' Terms of Reference.
- The Committee will also review a proposed Terms of Reference Document and bring this back to the Board for approval at the next Board meeting in May.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

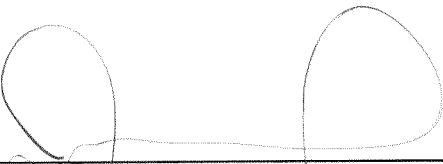
- April 11th Meeting with Enterprise and Advanced Education – main purpose was to discuss access, the funding model and tuition, the notion of duplication within the post-secondary sector, re-writing the letters of expectation/memorandum of understanding, the potential of opening the Learning Act, compliance to regulations and status of negotiations of collective agreements. The Presidents of all 26 Post-Secondary Institutions (Council of Post-Secondary Presidents) agreed to continue meeting on a regular basis. Letters of expectations/memorandum of understanding should include: System and Sector outcomes and how your institution fits within those contexts as well as individual Institution outcomes.

- It will be most important to communicate the strategic plan and activities within the College to the community and government.
- Spring (April) Association of Independent Colleges of Art and Design meeting – it was established that ACAD has the highest increase in student applications among the members of this organization. The necessity to better explain the value art and design schools bring to the community was discussed.

7. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Ms. Sheila O'Brien and SECONDED by Ms. Sue Anne Valentine that the meeting be adjourned at 5:32 pm.

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James Peacock, QC
Chair, ACAD Board of Governors



Daniel Doz
President + CEO, ACAD