

DRAFT minutes

ARCAC AGM 2020

March 15th, 2021 via zoom

Present/Board & Staff: Hilary Jamnik, Randy Swigart, Theresa Drahos, Carol Tonkin, Julia Redgrave, Ted Lind, Sophie Paskins, James Lightle, Flora Hall, \

Regrets: 0

Meeting called to order 4:05

ARCAC members attending: Bonnie Baker, Flora Doehler, Susan Tileston, Wayne Boucher, Pat Lohrenz, Dillon Tonkin, Elaine Bergen

- Sophie wanted Dillon to go over zoom voting procedures before we officially started the meeting. Sophie mentioned that we had 7 non board members attending and that was a quorum. It is worth noting that most members attending via zoom really appreciated the chance to participate. We all did a run through with Dillon after he described the zoom icons like chat.

Agenda:

Everyone was asked to review the online package for the 2020 AGM and if there were any questions and there weren't any.

Motion to accept the minutes from the 2020 AGM moved by Julia, 2nd Randy.

Vote to accept:yes

Financial report: (please read full report from Treasurer)

Hilary asked if everyone had had a chance to read the treasurer's report.

Highlights:

- we are a financially stable non-profit
- total liabilities and net assets: \$394,107.
- total revenues for 2020: \$164,820.
- current investments & securities at Scotiabank: \$104,762. • ArtSeen: \$300,000.00 over 3 years from Canada council for the Arts digital strategy fund.
- Carol asked if there were any questions after she read her full report.

Motion to accept the financial report: moved by Teresa, 2nd by James.

Vote to accept: yes

Chair's message

- Hilary mentioned that covid 19 made 2020 an influential year. The gallery was closed during march and reopened in July with all covid19 restrictions in place.
- some exhibitions, canceled some moved forward and programming started up again in the fall.
- we tried from the onset to do more programming virtually and continue to do so as the future is uncertain.
- Hilary said that he is finding some people enjoy zoom and others not so much. We will meet in person when we can follow covid 19 guidelines., and provide a zoom link up as well.

- we can expand our membership and enhance the opportunity to go further afield for board members.
- one positive note for zoom meetings; the weather can't prevent meetings!

Hilary asked if everyone had had a chance to read the reports from ARCAC committees and if there were any questions. no questions.

Hilary stated that there were 2 by-law amendments.

By-law amendment #1

- 1) number of directors changed from 5-10 to 5-8
- 2) at present 8 is a good # because of covid restrictions
- 3) Sophie explained the issue was to vote to accept the change not the wording.

Motion to accept the change: moved by Ted, 2nd by Teresa

Vote: yes

By-law amendment #2

To make more explicit our wording for the registry of joint stocks by adding a point that allows AGM's to be conducted online, at the Board's discretion, due to covid 19.

Motion to accept the language update: moved by Ted 2nd by Randy

Vote: yes

Program report (please read full report)

Highlights:

- Ted expressed that it has been an interesting year and we tried to apply programming to fit the circumstances.
- a sincere thanks to Dillon for his tech support for the hybrid programs we were able to offer.
- Dillon did zoom training sessions for the community
- Dillon is participating in the ArtSeen project as well as being a consultant. thanks, from us all Dillon
- a special thank you to Sophie for all her support and wisdom. we got good feed-back from our fall survey that helped us define the programs for 2021 and make changes where we could. Films are to run during the day for example, instead of the evening.
- Ted explained the difference between "open studio", and "workshops" (terry's sublime response is worthy of sharing! "Open studios are like pot-luck", and, workshops are like going out for dinner"!)
 - continuing "art in the 21st century" film series.
 - we've developed a good relationship with the national film board.
 - programs are filled through July.
 - ArtSeen 1/2 way through the first phase. Pilot phase to begin in the fall by working with artists, galleries, museums, artist run galleries and to determine interest in online platforms that connect artists via video programs.
 - the end game, (fast forward 2 1/2 years) is the hope that this project can be sustained and ultimately extended.
 - Hilary mentioned that it was a huge learning curve for everyone.
 - flora asked if there exists any research/data on the success of art streaming.

- Flora also asked about artseen monies and was assured by Ted that it was a separate account set up by Kevin, our bookkeeper.
 - Ted did mention “field trip”, a virtual tour of artists, galleries and museums across Canada.
 - Flora mentioned how excited she was by the artseen project. She was grateful for the changes that had to be made around ptt last summer were great. it encouraged artists to use Instagram and it was an “eye opener”.
 - Dillon mentioned that covid has advanced affordable technology, a benefit!
 - The exhibitions committee was also impacted by covid 19. Sophie did her best to provide shows although the logistics of travel and artist presence were restrictive.
- Hilary mentioned that there were 2 board members leaving the board, himself and James.
Thank you both from us all.
- The nominating committee put forward flora hall to join the board. Hilary called for nominations from the floor. No nominations from the floor.

Our six board members are: Julia, Randy, Ted, Carol, Flora and Terry

Hilary stated meeting adjourned: 5:17

Motion to adjourn: moved
by James, 2nd...everyone!

Executive meeting

New executive line up:

Julia: chair

Randy: vice-chair

Carol: treasurer

Flora: secretary

Randy welcomed Flora as do we all.

Carol mentioned that we need 2 other signatures for cheque signing and she will make an appointment with Suzanne Doucette , branch manager, at Scotiabank. Flora and Julia will join carol at Scotiabank. Julia and flora will meet to do secretary hand-over.

Next ARCAC monthly, hybrid, board meeting Wednesday April 28th 4pm

Respectfully submitted

Julia Redgrave

Interim Secretary