

Kindle Arts Board Meeting January 31, 2016

Time: 2pm

Location: Elana's apartment.

All Directors present, Elana, Cam, Clamb, Shannon, Oz via Skype. All Directors concur that "Skyping-in" will be treated as "being present".

Outgoing directors Natalie and Liam arrive 4pm to discuss historical Board business.

Quorum met: Yes

New Business:

Agenda:

1. Establish 2016 Board Positions
2. Ensure Board understands the constitution of Kindle Arts, the four core values of the Society and By-Laws
3. Review some of the new BC Society Act's changes
4. General Budget overview
5. Decision on financial support for GLC attendants
6. Communications to members discussion
7. Allan's Fire Dancing Victoria and Zendo Sanctuary Training Workshop
8. Historical discussions with former Directors (Natalie and Liam)

2:05pm Move to approve the agenda. Carried.

Items 1 through 3:

2:10pm Elana to be Chair, passed with consensus.

2:25pm Board reviewed the constitution of Kindle Arts and the four core values of the Society to enable us to make decisions based on the Constitution and the "purpose" of Kindle Arts.

2:30 Board will re-read through the Constitution to become extremely familiar with it, and will review the ByLaws, to ensure comprehension.

2:45 Roles within the board discussed:

Mike Oz to be treasurer with Cam supporting him with keeping the chequebook in Victoria.

Cam will be Vice-Chair. Expresses interest in "Community Liaison for the Event Producer," a position that is currently not in the Constitution.

Clamb will continue to be Director of Communications.

Shannon will be Secretary, supported by Clamb.

“Passed with consensus” will be the statement recorded if the Board is in unanimous agreement. If a motion is passed by majority vote, “passed” will be the wording.

3pm Discussion of positions that are not “mandatory positions.” Event producer Liaison, Art Grant Rep, Venues Committee, Membership Review Committee. Will revisit next meeting.

3:05 Discussion around Volunteering vs. voluntolding: taking direction from members in a deterministic fashion has been unhealthy. Members will continue to be encouraged to email directors@kindlearts.ca to put forward any agenda suggestions/items they value to be of importance to the community.

Item 4:

3:10 Gross overview of Budget discussions. Discussion of setting up a second, separate bank account for Art Grants within the next month.

Item 5:

3:20 Discussion of allocation of monies to GLC participants. Oz, declaring conflict of interest, supports the idea of monetary support to participants. All Directors in favour of monetary support to GLC attendants.

(Cost of ticket to GLC is \$175USD or \$250CAD).

Motion: Offer attendees the price of the ticket, \$250CAD and another \$150CDN for travel bursary. Discussion around exchange rates and historic amounts. Amounts of 5x \$175CDN 4x \$250CDN to be given, passed with consensus.

ACTION: Clamb to report out on approved funding levels.

Item 6:

3:45 Clamb’s Communication emails. Currently, emails are sent to all members, then fwd’d to the RC’s to post to Burning Man, then Clamb posts to FB, then to the Burnvic. To streamline the process, he proposes a Blog on the website, and posting that link on all of the above. A blog would also be valuable to keep the historical messages intact. Clamb will look into reinstating the blog as another outlet. Discussion around FB presence needed? Support for continuing the email send-out has consensus. Engaging in the community in “how they prefer to be contacted, and how often” is discussed.

Motion: Board members shall respond/approve the email send-outs within 24hours before emails go out to members, with a majority approving content, Passed with consensus.

Item 7: Discussion on Allan’s Zendo Sanctuary Training Workshop. Elana emailed Allan asking for clarification and differences between former training (Green Dot).

Motion: Allocation of funds (up to \$200) to Fire Dance Victoria, Passed with consensus.

Item 8:

4pm Natalie and Liam arrive.

ACTION: Membership list will be given from Liam to Shannon (as Secretary), as per the By-Laws.

4:10 Collaborative ideas regarding volunteer opportunities and community engagement on how to gain more volunteers.

4:15 Revisiting items requiring ACTION from the last Board Meeting in 2015.

ACTION: OW documents need to be posted to the website. All others have been finished.

4:20 OW Producer Agreement Decision discussion. Went through decision points at the last meeting.

ACTION: Ratifying the contract and executing decisions to be implemented.

Natalie states that there is a Credit at Megson Fitzpatrick, (possibly \$750) due to events (Interplay, Git Go, Victoria On Fire) getting cancelled. Director's insurance is due in June 19, 2016 and could go up in price. It was around \$900. We need to negotiate a rate.

ACTION: Liam will write a letter to Aswin (?) informing of Board of Director changes.

Need to transfer signing authority at the bank. Add everyone on current board. We will send a letter advising of changes. Oz needs to call the bank after this so when he comes to town he can sign at the bank.

ACTION: Cam will change online banking password.

Historical discussion re: problematic OW attendees last year.

Liam to Chair the Bylaw Committee moving forward.

Oz recounts a conversation with No Pants Cafe from OW. Shannon suggests that perhaps a followup to the No Pants Cafe re: their perspective on sound complaints perhaps needs to be addressed. Communication from the Board **may** be taken, as there seemed to be miscommunication during OW regarding this camp, it's placement, and it's communication with the Producer as to it's participant numbers. Contacting Alison (OW 2015 placement) to see if she knows what happened. Discussion around the Board's job vs Producer's job. Shannon suggests the Board does the follow up on this issue.

For next meeting:

Nato would like to make a webhosting presentation to the Board in person.

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EventLead callout for Spring Event now, perhaps before the next Board Meeting.

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Perhaps a followup to the No Pants Cafe re: their perspective on sound complaints perhaps needs to be addressed. Communication from the Board at this time may be taken. Awaiting Alison’s comments.

Discussion of calling a TownHall / Survey? for Short/Long term KindleArt Goals

Discussion of a DecompLead callout earlier this year (before OW?)

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 3rd, 6:30pm, location to be determined.