

Minutes of the 1,230th meeting of the Hart House Board of Stewards, held on Thursday, May 6, 2010 at 5:30 pm in the Reading Room.

Present: Ms Vanessa Laufer (Chair)
Dr. Louise Cowin (Warden)
Mr. Adam Awad (UTSU Appointee 2009-10)
Zeljko Bavcevic (RAC, 2010-11)
Ms Anita Camella (Presidential Appointee)
Mr. Matt Dreger (Alumni Committee)
Ms Lucy Fromowitz (President (*ex officio*) or Designate)
Ms Maria Pilar Galvez (UTSU Appointee 2010-11)
Mr. Victor Platt (Debates Committee)
Mr. Matthew Poot (Music Committee)
Ms Jacqueline Raaflaub (RAC)
Naufil Rasheed (Finance Committee 2010-11)
Ms Jessica Rose (Theatre Committee 2009-10)
Dr. Helen Slade (Presidential Appointee)
Ms Phoebe Uguy (Theatre Committee 2010-11)
Mr. Victor Wong (Finance Committee 2009-10)
Ms Taraneh Zarin (RAC 2009-10)
Ms Clara Luke (Farm Committee)

Ms Cristina Oke (Recording Secretary)

Guests: Mr. Michael De Angelis (Director of Program Administration)
Ms Rita O'Brien (Director, Operations and Finance)
Mr. Allan Shatzky (Coordinator, Special Projects)
Ms Lynette Spence (Coordinator, Equity and Diversity Initiatives)
Mr. Paul Templin (Director, Program Development)

Regrets: Ms Sophia Alifirova (Literary and Library Committee 2010-11)
Mr. Keith Ho (House Committee)
Ms Klara Kovar (Art Committee)
Ms Kelly Robertson-Reinhart (Social Justice Committee 2010-11)

1. Approval of Agenda

On motion duly made and seconded THE BOARD APPROVED the agenda.

2. Minutes of Meeting of March 25, 2010

The minutes of the 1,229th meeting held on March 25, 2010 were approved.

3. Business Arising

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. New Business

a) 2010 – 2011 Club and Committee Operating Budgets and Policies

Mr. De Angelis explained that each Club and Committee submitted an individual budget and programming narrative and representatives from each Club and Committee were invited to present their budget to the Committee on Budgets (CoB) in late April. The CoB met for four evenings and recommended an allocated budget for each group as well as a contingency fund.

Mr. De Angelis noted that the CoB had decided that remuneration of conductors and curators in 2010-2011 would remain the same as in 2009-2010. The professional honoraria amounts would be reviewed in 2010-2011 to ensure that they were fair and equitable.

Mr. De Angelis thanked those students who had served on the CoB in 2009-2010.

On motion duly made and seconded THE BOARD APPROVED

- a) That the funds allocated for 2010-2011 Club & Committee operating budgets be \$355,978 with a \$19,022 contingency fund held in reserve to be accessed via application to the CoB, for use by C&Cs to support innovative programming ideas in alignment with the vision during the 2010-2011 year;**
- b) That the professional honoraria amounts awarded in 2009-2010 be approved in the same amounts for 2010-2011.**

b) Committee Reports

Appended reports from representatives of the following groups were submitted for the information of Board members:

- Debates Committee;
- Farm Committee;
- Recreational Athletics Committee;
- Theatre Committee.

5. Warden's Update

a) Vision to Action Statement

The warden distributed a draft Vision to Action Statement¹ and requested an endorsement in principle from the Board to enable administrative staff to properly plan over the summer months. She indicated that the statement was intended as an addendum to the original Vision Statement.² The Board granted its endorsement in principle upon assurance by the warden that further refinement of the statement would take place over the summer to take into account some of the questions raised by Board members. Further, the warden indicated that she would bring the revised statement back to the Board in the fall for approval.

b) 2010 – 2011 Budget

The warden advised members that Hart House had closed the 2009-10 fiscal year with a \$3,000 surplus. Though new markets and business opportunities were being sought for 2010-11, the warden emphasized the importance of developing new programming at the farm, given the financial losses over the past decade.

c) Thank You's

The warden thanked the members of the Committee on Budgets for their service during the University's prime examination period, and acknowledged the service of Adam Awad, Sarah Crowther, Jessica Rose, Victor Wong and Taraneh Zarin whose terms on the Board of Stewards ended on April 30th. She concluded by wishing members a pleasant summer.

¹ Vision to Action Statement

Hart House is a living laboratory of social, artistic, cultural and recreational experiences where all voices, rhythms, and traditions converge. It is the vibrant home for the true education envisioned by its founders.

At Hart House, what you want to do and learn and know is possible. We encourage and support activities that provide spaces for awakening the capacity for self-knowledge and self-expression. This is a place for inspiration, engagement, reflection and action. With company. Who you are is welcome; who you are becoming is why we're here.

Vision Statement – Approved April, 2009

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6. Schedule of Board of Stewards Meetings for 2010-11

Saturday, September 11th, 2010 Orientation Session, 9 AM – 4:30 PM
Thursday, October 14th, 2010 (5 PM Social, North Dining Room; 5:30 – 7:00 Meeting, South Dining Room)
Thursday, November 11th, 2010 (5 PM Social, NDR; 5:30 – 7 Meeting, SDR)
Thursday, December 9th, 2010 (5 PM Social, NDR; 5:30 – 7 Meeting, SDR)
Thursday, January 13th, 2011 (5 PM Social, NDR; 5:30 – 7 Meeting, SDR)
Thursday, February 10th, 2011 (5 PM Social, NDR; 5:30 – 7 Meeting, SDR)
Thursday, March 10th, 2011 (5 PM Social, NDR; 5:30 – 7 Meeting, SDR)
Thursday, April 28th, 2011 (5 PM Social, NDR; 5:30 – 7 Joint Meeting, SDR)

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Chair

Recording Secretary

June 7, 2010