Minutes of the 1,282nd meeting of the Hart House Board of Stewards held on Thursday, March 16th, 2017 at 5:30 pm in the South Dining Room.

Present: Jonathan Steels (Chair)
Beth Ali (Presidential Appointee)
Emma Arppe-Robertson (Recording Secretary)
Richard Bingham (Alumni Committee Chair)
Susan Blight (Presidential Appointee)
Chiara Cautillo (Recreational Athletics Committee Senior Member)
Sara Omar (Social Justice Committee Secretary)
Joudy Sarraj (Debates Committee Secretary)
Caroline Seiler (Farm Committee Secretary)
Chloe Yin (Art Committee Secretary)
Sijia Xie (Finance Committee Secretary)
Shuyin Yu (Literary and Library Committee Secretary)

Guests: Andrea Blackler (Development Coordinator)
Michelle Brownrigg (Senior Director, Co-Curricular Education)
Amanda Greener (Manager, Staff Relations and Professional Development)
Lynsay Henderson (Coordinator, Information HUB)
Sherry Kulman (Senior Director, Business and Ancillary Operations, and CAO)
Paul Templin (Director, Meeting & Event Services)
Ayana Webb (Wellness Program Associate)

Regrets: John Monahan (Warden)
Mayte Anchante (Social Justice Committee Secretary)
Gini Chin (Recreational Athletics Committee Secretary)
Kenneth Davy (Governing Council Appointee)
Lucy Fromowitz (Presidential Designate)
Victoria Harvey (Farm Committee Secretary)
Marise Hopkins (University of Toronto Mississauga Students Union Appointee)
Coco Lee (Theatre Committee Secretary)
Aviva Lev-Aviv (Music Committee Secretary)
Sarah Wheeler (Graduate Student’s Union Appointee)
Cassandra Williams (University of Toronto Student’s Union Appointee)

The Chair congratulated Michelle Brownrigg, the Senior Director of Co-Curricular Education and Chief Programs Officer at Hart House, who was named by Partners in Research as the 2017 recipient of the Ronald G. Calhoun Science Ambassador Award. The award recognizes Michelle for her many contributions to community and student-focused sport, recreation, health and wellness, particularly when she
served as Director of Physical Activity and Equity in the Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education and, before that, as CEO of Active Healthy Kids Canada.

1. Approval of the Agenda

The name of the Art Committee Secretary was corrected to Chloe Yin.

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

2. Minutes of the 1,281st Meeting

a) Approval of Minutes of the 1,281st Meeting

On motion duly made and seconded THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED the minutes.

3. New Business

a) Committees Elections Results (Jonathan Steels, Chair)

The Board was notified that there was a glitch in the online voting system. The Elections Commission will be following up with the Vice Provost’s Office around correcting this error in the future.

The list of Committee Chairs for the 2017/18 academic year was circulated to the Board.

b) Clubs Review (Michelle Brownrigg, Senior Director of Co-Curricular Education)

The report of the Clubs Review will be brought to the Board of Stewards at the April 6th meeting. The Clubs Review committee was diverse and included student members of the Board of Stewards, student members of non-Hart House clubs, members of Hart House Standing Committees, Deans of Students, KPE Clubs staff and Hart House staff. There were four key areas of review:

- Alignment of club programming with current university priorities and Hart House strategic plan;
- Role of club programming and Hart House program priorities;
- Governance, organizational and financial management of Hart House club programming; and
- Partnerships and broader university club programming.

The Clubs Review committee’s initial recommendations and next steps focused on five key areas:

- Diversity and inclusion, partnership and outreach strategies;
• Communication strategy for club activities;
• Operational management of clubs;
• Financial support to club activity; and
• Regular review process for club programming.

4. Committee Presentations

a) Recreational Athletics and Wellness Committee (Gini Chin, Secretary)

The name of the Recreational Athletics Committee has been changed to the Recreational Athletics and Wellness Committee. This reflects their mandate of providing not just recreational activities but also wellness programming.

The mandate of the Committee is to host events and programs that develop burgeoning interests in physical activity and recreation, provide educational opportunities, work to create a space for all abilities and identities in recreation, sport, physical activity and healthy living at University of Toronto and in the broader community.

The Committee runs four events a year: the fall 4k fun run, the Hart House triathlon, bike to work, and the spring 5k fun run. The Committee also hosts educational seminars that peak interest in healthy active living, for example the March 3rd self-defence seminar “Fight Like a Girl,” as well as workshops on exercise, health and training.

For the 2017/18 academic year the Recreational Athletics and Wellness Committee will be focused on attracting more student members, reaching out to non-traditional participants and increasing their profile on all three campuses.

b) Art Committee (Chloe Yin, Secretary)

The Art Committee is comprised of the committee executive and four subcommittees: acquisitions, student projects, education and outreach and the Arbor Room. The Committee is currently focusing on including underrepresented groups, including graduate students, part time students, students from UTM and UTSC, international students and the LGBT community.

In addition to acquiring new Canadian artwork for Hart House the Art Committee runs workshops to connect students with the Toronto art community, including the annual ArtWORK career conference. The Committee also displays student artwork at Hart House in the Arbor Room, and through the funding of one student installation each year.

c) Social Justice Committee (Sara Omar, Secretary)

The mission of the Social Justice Committee is to create an open and inclusive forum for students to learn and participate in important discussions about various social justice issues happening in the world, in Canada, in Toronto and on the U of T Campus. They
seek to create opportunities for students and student groups to collaborate to create
dialogue and change both inside and outside Hart House.

In the 2017/18 academic year the Social Justice Committee will focus on providing
support to campus groups on their social justice initiatives through partnerships and event
promotion as well as engaging first year students and increasing their profile on all three
campuses.

5. Warden’s Report

The Board received an in depth written report from the Warden.

The Arbor Room will be closed on May 1, 2017 for much needed renovations. Food
services will be available in the Tuck Shop area from May to December 2017 during the
closure. The Gallery Grill will be opening the Hart House Café on May 4th to provide the
U of T community with coffee and pastries from 8am to 11:30am.

The Ken Monkman exhibition Shame and Prejudice: A Story of Canada at the Art
Museum was incredibly successful, garnering positive media attention and over 21,000
visitors.

Hart House Committee elections had more than double the turnout that they did last year.

6. Other Business & Announcements

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm.

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Chair                                     Recording Secretary

April 6th, 2017