

**ACADEMY FOR INTEGRATED ARTS
BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES**

December 8, 2022

4:00 p.m.

7910 Troost Ave., Kansas City, Missouri

Present: Emily Brown, Secretary
Lynne Brown, Member
Peter Brown, Member
Brad Epsten, Chairman
Patrick Lenoir, Member
Cara Newell, Treasurer
Jennifer Waddell, Member (4:20-5:12)

Also Present: Tricia DeGraff, Executive Director
Asha Moore, Assistant Principal

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Brad Epsten called the meeting to order at 4:06.

II. FINANCIAL REPORT

Budget report-Cara Newell (attachment)
Cara will review expenses related to gas leak/HVAC work.

III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- Approval of the minutes from the October 27, 2022 board meeting
- Approval of the warrant list (check registry and purchasing card record)
- Approval of the financial report:
Motion: Lynne Brown
Second: Peter Brown
Vote: 6-0

IV. ACTION ITEMS

- Approval to accept the resignation of Linda Edwards from the AFIA board of directors:
Motion: Lynne Brown
Second: Peter Brown
Vote: 6-0
- Approval of the Audit for Fiscal Year ending 2022:
Cara noted that a Single Audit was required due to expending more than \$750,000 federal funds in one fiscal year.
Motion Finance Committee
Vote: 6-0

- Approval to amend the agenda to approve a new hire:
Motion: Cara Newell
Second: Peter Brown
Vote: 6-0
- Approval to hire Ally Birkett as a paid counselor intern:
Motion: Emily Brown
Second: Peter Brown
Vote: 6-0

Board retreat follow-up:

- Develop action steps related to growth areas-work through Education and Governance Committees.
- Next step: Jennifer and Emily will review and combine for discussion at upcoming Education and Governance Committee meetings.

Discussion about DEI training for the AFIA Board of Directors.

- Approval to contract with Dr. Auburn Ellis, Studio 5400 to facilitate DEI training:
Motion: Lynne Brown
Second: Cara Newell
Vote: 7-0

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Monthly Update-Tricia DeGraff (attachment)

VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Education Committee did not meet.
- Audit/Finance met on November 17th (attachment)
- Governance Committee did not meet.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

None

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Recommendation to enter into executive session for the purpose of conducting business related to personnel, real estate, and/or legal issues as specified in Section 610/021 of the Missouri Sunshine Law.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn: Peter Brown
Second: Patrick Lenoir
Vote: 6-0

Meeting adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

Next Board Meeting is on January 26, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Brown
Secretary

Brad Epsten
Chairman