

BCA Board of Directors Annual Meeting Minutes
January 16, 2024
3PM
Held via Zoom

Advisory Board of Directors: Lori Rowe, Lisa Lillibridge, Billi Gosh, Laura McDonough, Bryan Parmelee, Patrick Shank, Robin Pierce, Deb Wilkinson, Parker Silver, Sarah Rogers, Livia DeMarchis, Dana vanderHeyden(Honorary), Rachel Kahn-Fogel(Honorary),

Staff present: Doreen Kraft, John Flanagan, Melissa Steady, Heather Ferrell, Elena Rosen, Sara Katz, Meara McGinniss

1. Meeting called to order at 3:04. Billi Gosh moved to accept the agenda with agenda items 3 and 4 being swapped, Robin Pierce seconded it and all were in favor.
2. Public Forum-No public was present.
3. Heather Ferrell gave an overview of the new exhibitions opening February 9th. **Here Now: Art and Migration** was co-curated with board member, Sarah Rogers. It includes seven artists, thirteen works, and explores concepts of borders, movement, and migration. **Margaret Jacobs: Kinship** features the work of one artist, who is New York based enrolled member of the Akwasasne Mohawk. It explores materiality and histories, including her lineage from Mohawk ironworkers and the natural world.
4. After reviewing BCA's stated Public Art goals and the proposal at hand, Patrick Shank moved to accept the recommendation of the Public Art Committee to approve the Artist selection in connection with the Burlington Airport Hallway Project in accordance with Section V.D.2 of the Art in Public Places Guidelines and Policies and authorizes BCA to enter into a contract with the Artist for purposes of setting the terms and conditions of the project's implementation and completion. Livia DeMarchis seconded this motion and all were in favor.
5. Lori Rowe presented two potential new Board members on behalf of the Nominating Committee.
 - a. Kristina Pentek. Billi Gosh moved to accept Kristina as a BCA Advisory Board member. This was seconded by Deb Wilkinson and all were in favor.

- b. Michelle Buswell. Patrick Shank moved to accept Michelle as a BCA Advisory Board member. This was seconded by Parker Silver and all were in favor.
6. Lori Rowe presented the updated committee descriptions and membership. There was a discussion about scheduling the first Programs Committee meeting in February, which will be chaired by Lori and staffed by Sara Katz and Doreen Kraft initially with a focus on strategic planning.
7. Doreen Kraft updated the board on the progress of the strategic plan, indicating that pending review by the REIB department, an initial draft may be ready to present by the next board meeting.
8. Billi Gosh reported on the Development Committee including the success of the year end appeal and a reminder about board giving. She also gave an update on the status of board stipends.
9. Billi Gosh gave an overview of the financial report. The fees for service and Major Gift categories are down compared to last year, so those will be a focus in the coming months.
10. There was a discussion of the upcoming Eclipse including the communications plan.
11. Parker Silver made a motion to adjourn. This was seconded by Robin Pierce and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 4:42.

BCA's mission is to nurture a dynamic environment through the arts that makes quality experiences accessible regardless of economic, social or physical constraints. We do this by:

- Supporting and promoting Vermont artists and advancing the creation of new work
- Offering a wide spectrum of arts education and engagement opportunities
- Presenting exhibitions and events that place Burlington in a global context, promote critical dialogue and encourage local participation
- Serving as the City of Burlington's cultural planner by making the arts integral to the area's economic and civic development, urban design, and livability.