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## SAIT ACADEMIC FACULTY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 4:00 P.M., Thursday, June 11, 2020 ORPHEUS THEATRE

## **AGENDA**

Adoption of Minutes of Annual General Meeting, the AGM minutes were approved on

- May 22, 2019 by the SAFA Executive: Moved by Pete Reitz, seconded by Ken Upton.
- 3. Statement on behalf of the SAFA Executive President.
- 4. MOTION of SAFA Executive Committee & Faculty Council: That the SAIT Academic Faculty Association remains a member of the Alberta Colleges & Institutes Faculties Association (ACIFA) during the 2020/21 year, Sept. 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021; at a total membership cost of \$84,000. Note: As a member of ACIFA, we will automatically be included in the ACIFA Defence Fund.
  - Motion will be voted on by electronic vote vote will be open from Friday, June 12, 2020 at 10:00am Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 4:00pm.
- MOTION of SAFA Executive Committee & Faculty Council: That the accounting firm of BDO Canada be appointed to conduct an independent outside audit of the financial statement for the 2019/20 fiscal year.
  - Motion will be voted on by electronic vote vote will be open from Friday, June 12, 2020 at 10:00am Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 4:00pm.
- 6. MOTION of SAFA Executive Committee & Faculty Council: That the 2020/2021 proposed SAFA Budget be adopted as presented.
  - Motion will be voted on by electronic vote vote will be open from Friday, June 12, 2020 at 10:00am Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 4:00pm.

7. MOTION of SAFA Executive Committee & Faculty Council: That all proposed SAFA Constitutional changes be passed.

Motion will be voted on by electronic vote – vote will be open from Friday, June 12, 2020 at 10:00am - Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 4:00pm.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Sub-section 7.01 of the Constitution states that "15% (105 members) of the membership constitutes a quorum at all General Meetings. If a quorum is not present, then a date is selected within two weeks and the members there shall constitute a quorum."

**THEREFORE, TAKE NOTICE THAT** if a quorum is not present at the AGM at 4:00 p.m, Thursday, June 11, 2020, then a second AGM is scheduled for 4:15p.m., Thursday, June 11. 2020.

## Membership in ACIFA (Alberta Colleges & Institutes Faculties Association)

ACIFA, or Alberta Colleges & Institutes Faculties Association, is an association of the Faculty Associations for the colleges and institutes in the province of Alberta. Membership is voluntary. It was created to represent the member associations on matters of provincial, national and international scope while recognizing the need to preserve the autonomy of members.

Perhaps the most valuable aspect of ACIFA lies in the opportunity for Faculty Association Presidents, Negotiating Team Chairs, and Professional Development Coordinators to meet regularly and exchange information with others in similar positions, and gain an understanding of what is happening at other institutions, and of what trends might be developing. A further asset of ACIFA is that "there is strength in numbers".

ACIFA also provides advice to member associations who are dealing with grievances or who are in negotiations. These services have expanded in recent years with Brian McCulluch, ACIFA Labour Relations Officer, now negotiating for many institutions and also representing institutes at grievances. These services are provided at very little additional cost to the institutions. The Professional Affairs Officer continues to work on behalf of all member institutions in lobbying the provincial government on a variety of issues affecting post-secondary education.