

SAFA Annual General Meeting 4:15 p.m., Thursday, May 16, 2019 Orpheus Theatre Campus Centre MINUTES

Blair Howes, Chair

- 1. Blair Howes, SAFA President, called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. The members' present represented quorum.
- 2. Adoption of minutes.

CARRIED

MOTION on June 20th, 2018 to approve the Annual General minutes, motion by Cameron Gall, seconded by Ken Upton, that the minutes of the SAFA Annual General Meeting, June 13, 2018 be adopted as presented.

3. Statement on behalf of the SAFA Executive President

Blair introduced the SAFA Executive members.

Blair Howes – President
Division I – Earl Simpson & Dan Jones
Division II – Candace Van Apeldoorn & Amir Fard
Division III – Ken Upton & Sheldon Thunstrom
Division IV – Moira MacLoughlin
Past Rep. – Peter Reitz

Candace – Sergeant of Arms read the AGM Decorum Rules

Blair stated that the Association has been under the New Collective Agreement for the Academic year, there are a few small bumps - but overall everything is good.

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 2019/20 year, Sept. 1, 2019 to August 31, 2020; at a total membership cost of approximately \$84,000. Note: As a member of ACIFA, we will automatically be included in the ACIFA Defence Fund.

Blair congratulated Moira MacLoughlin for being elected as the ACIFA Professional Affairs Chairperson.

Question from the floor: Does SAFA still want to belong to ACIFA? The SAFA Executive believes that SAFA should still belong to ACIFA.

This vote is by secret ballot. The motion was CARRIED

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5. MOTION of SAFA Executive Committee & Faculty Council: That the accounting firm of BBO (formerly CALVISTA) be appointed to conduct an independent outside audit of the financial statement for the 2018/19 fiscal year.

Motion shall be voted on by a show of hands of those members present.

CARRIED by a show of hands

6. MOTION of SAFA Executive Committee & Faculty Council: To create a charitable donation line of \$2,500. The rules of allotments will be determined by the SAFA Executive.

Cameron stated that SAFA is occasionally approached by various group at SAIT for donations. If this line item is approved, then the SAFA Executive will put a Policy in place for transparency.

This vote is by secret ballot. The motion was CARRIED

7. MOTION of SAFA Executive Committee & Faculty Council: That the 2019/20 Proposed SAFA Budget be adopted as presented.

Questions from the floor:

Will the Defence fund eventually top out?

The goal for the Defence fund is to have enough money to allow 8 weeks full pay for every Instructor who walks the picket line. Depending on Cost of Living increases etc. it is hard to determine the when the fund will top out. Right now we are projecting for 6.5 million...

Please feel free to contact Cameron Gall through e-mail if you have any further questions regarding the budget.

This vote is by secret ballot. The motion was CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 4:35p.m.