

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE ART STUDENTS LEAGUE OF NEW YORK, HELD NOVEMBER 13, 2024, PURSUANT TO NOTICE DULY GIVEN, AT THE ART STUDENTS LEAGUE IN THE PHYLLIS HARRIMAN MASON GALLERY.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm by President Robin Frank.

Board of Control (BoC) Members present: Jack Howard-Potter (*Vice President*), Yoko Cohen (*Vice President*), Stephen Durkee, Jon Greenfield, Debby Goan, Daniel Kalin, Charles “Chick” Foxgrover, Stephen Rosenthal and Sandra Kamerman.

Absent: Madhu Powar Garg.

Also present: Artistic/Executive Director Michael Hall, Chief Financial Officer Kathleen Hayes, Director of Development Inga Glodowski, Development Manager Lauren Mullen taking minutes.

2. **Approval of Minutes**: The minutes of the previous meeting of the Board of Control, held October 9, 2024, were reviewed, and approved.

3. **Membership Reinstatement Requests**: The following Requests for Reinstatement were reviewed and approved:

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4. **President’s Report**: President Frank started the meeting by introducing the new Director of Development, Inga Glodowski. Frank initiated a discussion about the Orr Consulting Group’s progress. After discussion, it was decided that the Group’s progress and whether their services were still needed after December, when their initial contracted work was set to expire, would be revisited in January.

In response to a question raised by Board member Sandra Kamerman, Frank confirmed that the League has an auditor and a full audit is conducted every year with Withum, Smith, & Brown, who would also be assisting in the conduct of the Board election process this year.

Frank went on to discuss her vision for revamping Membership Meetings in the upcoming year. Hall brought up that staff member, Eva Avenue, was now in charge of Membership and would be a good person to brainstorm ways to freshen the meetings. Cohen agreed to schedule a meeting with Avenue and other interested Board members (Foxgrove, Kamerman, and Durkee)

to do that.

President Frank next raised the topic of the Gala, which had taken place on November 4, 2024, and a discussion of the event ensued.

5. **Executive Director's Report:** Michael Hall began by reporting on several staff absences due to health issues. He then encouraged the Board to attend as many events as possible with members and donors, reminding them of upcoming events such as a Gallery Talk, Annual Art Sale, and a December Friends of the League event. The 2025 calendar of Friends of the League events, and Gallery Public Programming is due to be announced early January.
6. **Finance Committee Report:** Daniel Kalin presented on behalf of the Finance Committee. Kalin reported a slight drop in attendance in August, September and October, and possible reasons for the drop was discussed.

Kalin proposed that the finance committee should report on a quarterly basis rather than monthly since the metrics did not change that quickly. This was approved contingent on any anomalies being reported immediately and a finance meeting could be called at anytime.

7. **Building Committee Report:** Stephen Rosenthal presented for the Building Committee. Rosenthal reported that the Capital Project is being restarted after delays, Rosenthal had an initial meeting for Phase 1 (the facades on 57th and 58th streets). The design has been completed and submitted to the Landmarks Commission.

Rosenthal clarified that the 57th Street facade was in a good place to begin construction and has Landmarks approval, but 58th Street has not yet been approval. Rosenthal suggests reevaluating. He is meeting with Sciamie to discuss what happened with the bids for Phase 1 and to talk about the proposed contracts.

8. **150th Committee Report:** Steve Durkee presented on the 150th Committee. Durkee reported that the video archive project is off to a good start with the volunteers. The “Why I love the League” project is now being headed by staff member, Eva Avenue. The committee is still working to nail down Homecoming Weekend’s Founder’s Day events.

Jon Greenfield told Steve if wanted to meet with any NYC politicians about the 150th anniversary to raise awareness, he’d be happy to make the introductions.

9. **Development Report:** Jack Howard-Potter presented for the Development Committee, reporting on receipts from the gala.

10. **Collections Committee:** Robin Frank presented on behalf of the Collections Committee. Frank reported that the committee had been very busy and will be presenting this year's acquisitions at the annual meeting.

11. **New Business:**

There being no additional new business, and upon a motion duly made, seconded, and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.



Lauren Mullen

Robin Lechter Frank

President

Lauren Mullen, Staff Member &

Assistant Secretary (Taking Minutes)

Date: 12/11/24

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