

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE ART STUDENTS LEAGUE OF NEW YORK, HELD FEBURARY 12, 2025, PURSUANT TO NOTICE DULY GIVEN, AT THE ART STUDENTS LEAGUE IN THE ATELIER CAFE.**

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:59 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, Charles “Chick” Foxgrover, Daniel Kalin, Sandra Kamerman, John Kneapler, Stephen Rosenthal, and Peter Stamas,

Also present: Artistic/Executive Director Michael Hall, Director of Development Inga Glodowski, and Development Manager and Assistant Secretary Lauren Mullen taking minutes.

2. **Approval of Minutes**: The minutes of the previous meeting of the Board of Control, held January 15, 2025 were reviewed, and approved with edits.

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

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4. **Presidents Report**: President Robin Frank opened the meeting by introducing new Board Member, John Kneapler, to everyone.

Following, Robin introduced a resolution to restructure the Organization Chart so that the Chief Financial Officer in addition to reporting to the Executive Director will also have a direct report to the Board. This is in line with standard practices for non-profits.

*Resolution: Restructure the organizational chart to reflect that the Chief Financial Officer has a direct report to the Board along with the Executive Director.*

Daniel Kalin moved for approval, Sandra Kamerman seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.

President Frank suggested evaluating the League’s PR firm. She announced that Chick Foxgrover along with Kathleen Hayes (CFO) will be performing an audit of the software in use with the goal of integrating the different programs.

5. **Development Presentation**: Inga Glodowski presented proposed plans for the 150th gala in the Fall of 2025. The Board narrowed down the venues to three. Inga will get back to us

with the status and dates available for each venue. The Board also discussed the importance of the honoree/s for the 150. A couple ideas were discussed.

It was proposed that the gala return to its 2023 ticket pricing. A motion to that effect was duly made and seconded, and it passed unanimously.

6. **Executive Director's Report:** Executive Director Michael Hall gave updates on the open Gallery Director Role. He also noted that the former Gallery Director, Ksenia Nouril would continue to help with the upcoming 150<sup>th</sup> Exhibition in May.
7. **Finance Committee:** Debby Goan presented the Finance Committee Report. There has been a slight decrease in registration. The Finance Committee along with the CFO will be working with Robert T. to help determine the cause. Short discussions about the potential impact of cuts in government funding for the arts, and renovation costs, followed.

Building Committee: Stephen Rosenthal presented the Building Committee Report. The committee interviewed several construction lawyers and selected Daniel E. Katz of Rich, Intelisano & Katz, LLP. Katz proposed ideas for revising the Sciamé contract to address key concerns.

Sciamé has been receptive to alternative contract structures and presented a staffing chart that aligns with project expectations.

Rosenthal then reviewed updates on the scope of both Phase 1 and Phase 2.

8. **150<sup>th</sup> Committee:** Steve Durkee presented the 150<sup>th</sup> Committee Report. Durkee gave updates on a variety of projects stating everything was on schedule. The exhibition of the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is schedule to open homecoming weekend and the 150<sup>th</sup> website is now live and is a great resource for all 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary projects. Durkee raised the issue of expanding marketing beyond the League community and discussion about using direct marketing ensued.
9. **New Business:**

Rosenthal asked if the Frame Store next door was available to rent for temporary office space during renovations. Hall stated they had approached the Frame Store before and were turned down. Rosenthal also asked if travel workshops had restarted, Hall confirmed they had.

Sandra Kamerman asked if any documentaries had been made about the League and suggested they could help raise awareness.

The Board discussed building a bigger online presence to compete with competitors. Hall said it's shown amazing growth considering the League's online presence is pretty new and that followers do not always equate to revenue.

There being no additional new business, and upon a motion duly made, seconded, and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.



*Lauren Mullen*

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Robin Lechter Frank

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Lauren Mullen

President

Development Manager and Assistant  
Secretary (taking minutes)

Date: 3/12/25

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