

MassArt Board of Trustees Academic & Student Affairs Committee Meeting

June 3, 2022 9:00am-10:15am

Meeting Minutes

Committee members present: Denise Korn (Chair), Sunand Bhattacharya (arrived at 9:47am), Ella von Huene

Committee members absent: Daren Bascome, Elisa Hamilton

Other Trustees present: Pamela Parisi

MassArt staff present: K. John Ashworth-King, Robert Chambers, Jamie Costello, Katie Duvernay, Maureen Keefe, James Mason, Kate Russell, Lauren Wilshusen, Hannah Woit, Lyssa Palu-ay, President Mary Grant, Maryellen Schroeder

Call to Order

Chair Denise Korn called the meeting to order at 9:03am. She welcomed the group, noting that this is a public meeting, and that all votes will be taken by roll call.

Approval of the Minutes: March 25, 2022

To consolidate procedural matters, roll call vote on minutes will also be considered attendance of the trustees.

It was then **VOTED: to approve the minutes of the March 25, 2022 Academic and Student Affairs Committee meeting.**

Roll call: Bhattacharya yes; Bascome: absent; Hamilton, absent; von Huene, yes; Korn, yes; Attendance of other trustees was also taken to inform the public who was on the call.

Chair Korn thanked the faculty and staff for their collective efforts to get through this past year, acknowledging the many challenges the world presented. She also thanked student trustee Ella von Huene for jumping into the role with boldness and confidence in communicating the needs of the student body. Chair Korn welcomed Nick Thompson, who will assume the role of student trustee in the next academic year.

Presentation of Professor Emeritus Recipients

Interim Provost James Mason presented the three faculty who were awarded Professor Emeritus status by the promotion committee: Sondra Grace (Fashion), Jan Kubasiewicz (Communication Design), and Chuck Stigliano (FA3D Sculpture), all of whom retired this year. Collectively these faculty members served the MassArt Community for over 85 years. Both James and Chair Korn shared fond personal notes of these faculty.

Community Standards

Dean of Students Jamie Costello shared that the Community Standards would normally be voted on at this meeting, but they are still being reviewed. The Community Standards contain the policies by which students are expected to abide by. Every three years they are reviewed to make sure they remain fair, equitable, and meet the needs of our students and community. The vote on the Community Standards will come in September after additional work that will

make sure all links and policies are up to date and also to allow the new Provost to give their opinion on policies that may involve Academic Affairs. Several policies need added clarification, for instance why the recording of student conduct meetings had been stopped at the suggestion of the previous General Council. Chair Korn thanked Jamie for her leadership.

Career Development Presentation

Career Development Director Maryellen Schroeder gave an overview of the many resources Career Development makes available to MassArt students. In addition to individual meetings, the office has recorded many tutorials and timestamped videos with answers to students' FAQs related to resume building, internships, and navigating the Handshake site. Handshake is a platform open to students and alums where job postings are updated weekly. Career Development focuses heavily on internships for students; there are currently 159 listed and students are able to receive a \$2,000 scholarship based on financial need. Maryellen also gave a recap of the Financial Literacy course that she co-teaches with Carol Hall.

JET Update

Dean of the Office of Justice, Equity and Transformation (JET) Lyssa Palu-ay then gave an update presentation that included the various collaborations JET is making with offices and areas across the college. For example, Institutional Advancement was a partner in the creation of the BIPOC Fund and the Marvin Bynoe Animation Scholarship. She also shared that the Artward Bound program had 10 graduates this year, 5 of which are coming to MassArt and will be supported by the Compass program. For this year's Adderley Lecture, the JET office collaborated with GNCrew, who presented a series called Black Book Sessions to show the diversity of thought and art making.

New Business

There was no new business presented to the committee.

Adjournment

Chair Korn adjourned the meeting at 10:07am.