

## **2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

### **Toronto Animated Image Society**

**WEDNESDAY, Oct 26, 2016 – 6:43 pm**

**Location: 1411 Dufferin Street, Unit B – Toronto**

**Present:** Evan DeRushie, Felix Heeb, Ben Edelberg, Farah Yusuf, Hugo Ares, Niki Sehmbi, Eli Schwanz, Gustavo Cerquera Benjumea, Katie Kotler, Chris Jack, William Allinson, Janice Schulman, Paul Reynolds, Andrea Vela Alarcon, Jenn Snider, Michael Enzbrunner, Nick Fox-Gieg, Stephanie Dudley, Mike Conway, Ashley Lo Russo, Annick Counihan

#### **1) Call to order and approval of agenda**

Evan motions to approve the agenda, Ben seconds

#### **2) Approve Minutes from Oct 26, 2015 AGM**

Felix motions to approve the minutes, Chris seconds

#### **3) President Board of Directors report**

Janice motions to approve the President's Report, Gustavo seconds

#### **4) Presentation Audited Financial Statements**

- a) Janice: Why are exhibition and event expenses are lower for 2016 than 2015? Jenn: The entire budget including events was all allocated to the artist fee category.

Hugo motions to approve Financial Statement for 2015/16, Nick seconds.

#### **5) Appointment Auditor 2016**

a) Janice motions to approve the contract to David Burkes - Chartered Accountant as TAIS accountant for the 2016-2017 fiscal year, Evan seconds.

Farah motions to approve the Treasurer's report, Evan seconds

#### **6) HR Report**

A changing year. In August 2015, Madi Piller stepped off the board, and three part-time staff did not renew their contracts: Kier-La Janisse, Emily Waknine, and Jonathan Culp. Jenn Snider hired as Managing Director in October 2015. Rema Tavares hired as Outreach Coordinator in November 2015; going on maternity-leave in April 2016. Andrea Vela Alarcon was hired in April 2016 as Outreach Coordinator to cover for Rema.

- a) William motions to approve the HR report, Chris seconds

#### **7) Equipment Committee**

TAIS has dedicated funds from its surplus to the purchase of equipment and toward capital renovation between 2016-2018. New equipment has been purchased for studio production, presentation, and outreach/workshops.

- a) Janice: Do the new camera kits give HD quality? Evan: Yes, full resolution, although it does tend to slow down the computers for group school projects. Members can access these cameras.
- b) Nick: Can you use the camera kits with Dragon Frame Animation? Evan: Yes, the camera work with all professional programs like Dragon.

Annick motions to approve the Equipment Committee report, Chris seconds

## **8) Outreach Report**

Outreach includes a 3 year initiative funded by the Ontario Trillium Foundation. 2015-16 is the second year of the program. Coordinated by Rema Tavares from November-April, and Andrea Vela Alarcon since April. Outreach also initiated 2 special projects: "Paper House" and "Animazing! Animation Movie Camp." Farah motions to approve the Outreach Report, Chris seconds

## **9) Programming Report**

Report on screenings, residencies, workshops, and commissioning initiatives.

- a) Lots of new Programming Committee members
- b) Fostering new relationships, spreading the word about TAIS!
- c) Increasing diversity on the committee a priority.

Gustavo motions to approve the Programming Committee report, Katie seconds

## **10) Election Board of Directors**

New members standing for election to the Board of Directors:

- Farah Yusuf, compositor, animation curator
- Michael Enzbrunner, visual artist, 3D animator
- Eli Schwanz, commercial director at MTV, visual artist
- Niki Sehmbi, visual artist, 3D experimental animation

Current directors standing for re-election:

- Evan DeRushie
- Hugo Ares
- Felix Heeb
- Benjamin Edelberg
- Katie Kotler
- Gustavo Cerquera Benjumea

Motion to approve the slate for the 2016-17 TAIS Board of Directors

All approve; none oppose

## **11) Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn, 8:02pm