

Pratt Board of Trustees

Minutes

May 22 2019

Presiding: Terri Hiroshima

Attending: Kerry Ayers, Lee Campbell, Susan Edelheit, Francisco Guerrero, David Hensel, Richard Openshaw, Jenny Pohlman, Ayako Shapiro, Sara Traver (via phone), Damien Villarreal, Richard Wortley

Staff: Angela Brown, Ryan Davis, Steve Galatro, Eve Stanford

Advance Materials: Board minutes May 2019, Finance Committee Minutes May 2019, Fletch's board retreat summary, Enrollment Report, FY20 Budget Proposal

Board convened at 6:00 in the Youth studio of Pratt Fine Arts Center with a quorum. Susan Edelheit moved to approve the Consent Agenda (May 2019 minutes, May Financial Reports). Richard Wortley seconded. Motion passed.

New Staff: Angela Brown was introduced as new staff member, Director of Marketing and Communications.

Governance Committee: Terri Hiroshima presented Fletch Waller's reflections on the board retreat held June 15. Retreat was facilitated by Andy Fife, who presented findings from set of survey, and interviews he conducted with board members. The results and discussion from the retreat shows that the board will begin to sift from a working board to an ambassadorial board. It was felt that the staff has been build up enough to allow the board to move away from having to deal with the operation of Pratt, and focus more in fund raising, and raising the awareness of Pratt. The board will still be involved with the overall definition of policy, but less with the implementation. There will be further discussions on how the board can make this transition.

The governance committee has been reviewing and revising the board by-laws, making updates, and revisions. The changes will be reviewed by the lawyers, and presented to the board when complete. The committee is currently looking for possible candidates for new board members. The new members will be added in August.

Directors Report: Steve Galatro reports that enrollment continues to do well, up 11%. But this is affecting the budget.

The Change Team which is the replacement for the racial equity committee, will be headed up by Angela Brown. The members are comprised of just staff members. The team is currently looking for a consultant to help with its work on increasing diversity at Pratt. They are also looking for someone to lead workshops in micro aggression.

Pratt will be involved with the Refract Festival, taking place Oct 17-20. This is a new glass orientated festival with events all around Seattle. Pratt will host glass various glass blowing demonstrations, featuring Dan Friday, and Etsuko Ichikawa. There will be live music, DJ, and food trucks. We are hoping that we can get Preston Singletary's all indigenous band, Khueex to perform, if we can get help in sponsoring. Tickets for the festival will be \$40. There are plans to try to put together a "Cooking with Glass" event, where Canlis restaurant will present a meal cooked using hot glass. Tickets for this event would be in the \$500 range.

Strategic planning for the next three years hasn't yet started. There will be a framework created in July, and the form will be more like a flow chart.

Campus Development: Steve Galatro reported that Pratt and Security Properties was able to come to an agreement for the project. However Daniels Real Estate and Security Properties was not able agree on how SP was going to take over the project from DRE. As a result, DRE has informed Steve that it will continue as the developer of the project. DRE sent Steve a letter informing Pratt of this, and that the project will not be comprised of affordable housing, but will be market rated. Their letter (which a copy was presented to the board) states that DRE wishes to proceed forward to the purchase of the Pratt property. Steve and Bob Swain plan to meet with DRE Thursday June 27 to hear what DRE plans are.

Regular board Session was adjourned at 7:00.