

MINUTES

Technology Fee Meeting

Thursday, March 5, 2015

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Faculty Lounge, Russell Building

PRESENT: Robbin Watson
Sean Watson, CADLab
Jonathan Watts, LASA rep
Umid Abdullaev, IDAS rep
Marco Garcia, ED4 tech rep
Jason Hare, FABLab
Stephen Oberlin, UMAAS rep (Co Chair)
Bret Gordon, ED4 Arch
Adam Kroeker, City Planning

ABSENT: Olivia McKinnon, ED2 rep

RECORDER: Laura Kryger (*in Donna Mamott's absence*)

R. Watson distributed/presented the financial report for the current fiscal year, and noted that these are posted on the Tech Fee website. Individuals are encouraged to visit the website for additional information. There were noted discrepancies in the numbers. R. Watson will tidy up the figures and redistribute.

Proposals were distributed to members in attendance for consideration of approval.

1. Warehouse Proposal

MOTION by J. Watts THAT the Warehouse Proposal 45 be approved as submitted at today's meeting.

SECONDED by M. Garcia. **CARRIED.**

2. Sony A7S Proposal

S. Watson noted that it becomes more administratively challenging to manage a number of lens but is a relatively minor issue. This is full frame camera with better image quality especially for low light photography. Concern that this may be a redundant purchase – not a concern. Comes with battery and expenses for bag/memory is small.

MOTION by U. Abdullaev THAT the Sony A7S Proposal 46 be approved as submitted at today's meeting.

SECONDED by B. Gordon. **CARRIED.**

3. Sony 7X Proposal

After some discussion, it was agreed to further investigate information on costs before proceeding to consideration of purchase. S. Watson will look into tripod and J. Hare will forward information to S. Watson. Will re-visit decision to approve once additional information is available.

4. Objet Eden 250 Proposal

Cost is broken down into two parts - \$10,000 for printer and equipment from Engineering and \$8000 for to purchase material, cleaning supplies and unexpected extras on software (if needed). Eventual replacement for one of the current printers.

MOTION by A. Kroeker THAT the Objet Eden 250 Proposal be approved as submitted at today's meeting. **SECONDED** by J. Watts. **CARRIED.**

5. Workhorse Odyssey 4 Proposal

Space may be a concern. Fixed and not portable. Doesn't really meet mandate of fabrication and needs a lot of support. Also need a washing space in the area which is another concern. Vinyl might be a better option (Fine Art has one and may be able to reciprocate use). Might make more sense to partner with someone in the city who already has silk screen capabilities, but should be careful not to outsource it now. It was agreed to put this proposal on hold for now.

6. Planer Proposal

There was an additional proposal for a plainer that did not get included in today's distribution of proposals, but was verbally brought forward. Keith Millan was not in attendance at today's meeting to speak to the details of the equipment. It was emphasized that this request needs a bigger discussion with K. Millan present, and a formal proposal put together and distributed for due process. S. Oberlin will forward the proposal to R. Watson.

7. Processing-based computer hardware/software Proposal.

Will need more headphones down the road. Putting open-ended proposal forward. S. Watson will speak with Cynthia. These are processing-focused. Also may need proposal put forward for education component to demonstrate how to do it.

MOTION by B. Gordon THAT the processing-based computer hardware/software proposal be approved as submitted at today's meeting. **SECONDED** by J. Watts. **CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 4:23 pm.