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School of Art – Graduate Program Committee
Monday April 24, 2017 – 10:30-11:30am
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Present:
K. Kelly (Chair), B. Marin, S. Ciurysek, C. Plouffe, E. Roy, G. Nickel, C. Bakun (recording secretary)

Regrets: Absent: P. Hess H. Kamali Jamil

I APPROVAL OF AGENDA
C. Plouffe MOVED, seconded by B. Marin, THAT the agenda of the Graduate Program Committee be approved.

CARRIED

II APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 17, 2017
G. Nickel MOVED, seconded by E. Roy THAT the minutes of the Graduate Program Committee be approved.

CARRIED

III BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. Bona Fide Academic Requirements (BFAR’s)

The latest revisions were sent to CATL. The only question that has been asked is why SoA requires an oral defense. The committee’s response is if a student has an issue with an oral defense it can be accommodated, otherwise SoA requires the student to be present. The student could video tape their presentation.

2. MFA Review

The SoA MFA review document was submitted to Graduate Studies on April 7.

3. MFA Program Promotion

Daniel McCafferty and Leigh Bridges have agreed to assist with a brochure that can be used to promote the MFA program. Other ideas to promote MFA program include advertising in Border Crossings and Canadian Art.
4. **Faculty Presentations**

Holger Kalberg organized a presentation of his artworks over the lunch hour and it was very successful. This strategy could be implemented so that students could see which faculty are available as advisors. Currently students are assigned an advisor at the beginning but are informed that they can change their advisor if needed. The committees are not chosen until November.

5. **New Student Introductions to Faculty**

A suggestion was made to have 2nd year students have a ‘critique’ of their works in the 1st semester and the 1st year students have a ‘critique’ of their works in the 2nd semester. This would give faculty a chance to see student artwork.

**IV ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Incoming MFA students are being finalized.

**V NEW BUSINESS**

1. **1st Year Field Trip**

Kevin Kelly discussed the possibility of reinstating a 1st year field trip for MFA students. If this is a course that is required, the proposal would need to be approved through Senate/supplemental regulations. MFA students could go with BFA students on the 1st year trip. There may be some monetary concerns with MFA students. This item will be discussed further.

**VI ADJOURNMENT: 11:55am**

**NEXT MEETING DATE(S):**

May 23 – 1:30-2:30pm
Room 409 ARTlab