McMaster Association of Part-Time Students
Board of Directors Meeting – Minutes
Thursday February 3, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.
McMaster University Student Centre, Room 214

PRESENT                 Jeanette Hunter, Min-Ju Evans, Elaine Marion (Chair), Rose O’Connor, Kate Pratas, Nathan Shaw, Violet Wakeman-Ajandi, Candace Waterkamp

STAFF                   Sam Minniti (Executive Director)

CONSTITUTION OF THE MEETING

A quorum of directors being present, Marion called the meeting to order.

ATTACHMENTS TO THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE MINUTES

• Executive Director’s Report

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion:         Moved by Waterkamp, seconded by Wakeman-Ajandi to adopt the agenda.  
                Carried Unanimously.

2. CLOSED SESSION UPDATE

Motion:         Moved by Pratas, seconded by Hunter to move into closed session.  
                Carried Unanimously.

Motion:         Moved by Wakeman-Ajandi, seconded by O’Connor to return to open session.  
                Carried Unanimously.

3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Minniti presented his written report (a copy annexed to the master copy of the minutes).

4. MAPS’ INAUGURAL LIBERAL ARTS SPEAKER SERIES

Minniti indicated that on Thursday March 17, MAPS will be hosting its inaugural Liberal Arts Speaker Series with guest speakers Jim and Sue Waddington.  Minniti noted that the event, entitled “Following in the Footsteps of the Group of Seven Painters”, should draw a good crowd given that the Waddingtons have tried to locate some of the physical landscapes that inspired the Group of Seven painters.  Minniti added that the Waddingtons were not charging MAPS for this presentation, and as such, if the MAPS Board was so inclined, they could make a donation to the Jim Waddington Prize in Physics and Astronomy, a scholarship awarded to a student entering Level II of an Honours program in the Department of Physics and Astronomy who attains the highest grade in Physics 1BA3.

Motion:         Moved by Marion, seconded by Hunter to donate $500 to the Jim Waddington Prize in Physics and Astronomy.  
                Carried Unanimously.
5. UNFINISHED / OTHER BUSINESS

There was no unfinished or other business.

6. TIME OF NEXT MEETING / ADJOURNMENT

Minniti indicated that the next meeting of the MAPS Board of Directors would take place on Thursday February 17, 2011. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Motion: Moved by Waterkamp, seconded by Wakeman-Ajandi to adjourn. Carried Unanimously.
IMPORTANT NOTICE

During the years 2008 through 2012, the taking of minutes, recording of decisions of the Board, and other normal meeting procedures do not appear to have been followed or in accordance with best practices. However, various documents that appear to be unapproved minutes were found.

In August 2013, the Board of Directors (which was elected in February 2013 as part of a complete Board changeover) instructed that these unapproved minutes be made publicly available in order to advance the current Board’s commitment to transparency and improved governance. However, these minutes may not be fully representative of the deliberations or subsequent actions of prior Boards, and the current Board is unable to determine their accuracy as none of the current members were present during these past meetings.

These minutes should thus be read with the following caveats:

1. Unless otherwise indicated, no record exists of these minutes being appropriately reviewed or approved. The minutes’ contents are thus provided “as is” for information purposes only.

2. These minutes may accordingly not provide a full or accurate record of prior board decisions. These minutes should thus not be relied upon as authoritative or conclusive.

3. As none of the 2013 members were present, these minutes have not and will not be approved by the 2013 Board. The 2013 Board does not automatically agree with or accept any decisions or discussions that may be in these minutes.

4. For reference, as of 2013, minutes are now reviewed and approved by the Board at a subsequent meeting, and signed by the presiding officer and corporate secretary.