**Sarasota Academy of the Arts**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

December 7, 2015 at 8:00 a.m.

Location: Sarasota Academy of the Arts office

Board members present:

* Joe Solano
* Robert Mclain Jr.
* Bill Mariotti
* Dan Kennedy
* Caroline Tanner
* Julie Henry
* Julie MchHugh
* Matt Mchugh
* Cecilia Blankenship
* Call to order at 8:09am
* Minutes dated 9/5/15 and 10/2/15- Approved
* Treasurer’s Report / Financial Report- Approved
  + - Insurance policy has been reviewed and there are currently no liability concerns.
* Principal’s Report
  + - SAA has exceeded our enrollment goal and currently has 222 students enrolled.
    - The process of creating new flyers and brochures for the 2015/2016 enrollment period will begin soon.
    - The process of reapplying for our charter status will soon begin.
    - Music Director, Julie McHugh received a $1,000 grant for her intergenerational music programming.
    - SAA received a $1,000 grant from the Mike McHugh Memorial Fund to expand the Agro-Science department.
    - Art Director, Olan Quarto received 3 grants from the Community Foundation of Sarasota to incorporate dance, magic, and botany into math studies.
    - SAA school grade will come out in January.
* New Business
  + - A heartfelt thank you from the board of directors to SAA faculty and staff
    - Staff and faculty will receive a $50 gift card in celebration of the holiday season
    - Thoughts of an annual fundraiser/gala were discussed and will be further researched.
  + Next Meeting January 4, 2016 @ 8:00am
* Meeting adjourned at 8:59 am

*Minutes submitted by Caroline Tanner*