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Ms. Allison Sampson
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Dear Allison,

I wanted to let you know what a pleasure it was to have you at our recent CalArts Alumni Association retreat. As you know, we were going through a very wrenching transition in which our Alumni Director was leaving the Institute. This transition was especially upsetting to our 42-member board of directors which is made up of mostly visual and performing artists. As you can imagine, this type of group can be not only emotional, but also very passionate.

Your presence at this daylong meeting was not only essential but incredibly valuable. Not only were you able to keep us on track during some difficult discussions, but you were at times a moderator and sometimes even a mediator. I was grateful to have you there, as was the entire executive committee. Your insights, communication skills and positive demeanor were a comforting and welcome presence at this potentially stressful gathering.

Having had the opportunity to use your services for the past two years, under two very different circumstances, I can say without a doubt that we will be hiring you again next year for our annual retreat. It was truly a pleasure to work with you and I look forward to our paths crossing again soon.

Sincerely,



David Bossert
President, Alumni Association