

MINUTES OF OLLI BOARD MEETING MAY 17, 2012, 10: a.m.

**Attendees:** Chris Le Maistre, Fred De Jarlais, Inga Hoffmann, Florence Orenstein, Ruth Keeley, Nancy Thomas, Nancy Mead, Steve Zaslaw, Harry Hanson, Lois Widom, Phyllis Wood

**Minutes:** *Nancy Thomas*

The April 19 minutes were approved as corrected.

President's Comments: Chris Le Maistre

1. Phyllis Wood was welcomed back and she reported on her trip to Australia.
2. Lois Widom and Harry Hanson will be working with Cindy Margolin, on putting together a presentation of OLLI Interest Groups slides for their talk at the National OLLI Conference this coming November. Lois will ask for slides from Interest Groups at this month's general meeting. They will also be in contact with a woman from the San Rafael OLLI to coordinate their joint session at the conference.
2. Election of officers will be held at this month's general meeting. Helen Jones will handle the nominations and ask for a vote of those assembled at the meeting.
3. Chris phoned Corinne and requested that OLLI members be removed from USCS fund raising call lists. Many members have received these fundraising calls and the Board feels this to be an inappropriate use of our membership contact list.
4. The John Dizikes concert was well attended by OLLI members.

Treasurer's Report: None at this time. David Copp is out of town.

Courses: Lois Widom

1. Lois will make an announcement at the general meeting asking for Course instructor volunteers. She feels we have many people in our OLLI who would be capable of and willing to give new courses. Professor Isebill Gruhn may do a class around election time later in the year.
2. Lois has not had a meeting with Nina Simon of MAH yet regarding the raising of room rental for our group meetings. She will get back to the Board with any new requested rate by the museum. The Board gave her authority to negotiate up to \$150 per meeting. She will get back to us.

Interest Groups: Steve Zaslaw announced the poetry reading group is now defunct.

Membership: Ruth Keeley

1. There are 714 current members. Discussion continued on how much to charge for membership for people joining later in the membership year. A committee will be set up over the summer to decide on a course of action.

Facilities and Hospitality: Fred DeJarlais and Chris LeMaistre will take care of setting up for the May meeting in Mark Gordon's absence.

Publications: Steve Zaslaw

1. Steve asked if we needed a postcard for June. It was decided that a postcard should be sent out, reminding members of the June 9 party and that we will not have another meeting until September.
2. We will have the Interest Groups set up their displays at the September meeting for members to sign up.
3. Steve will send out a postcard for the August 25th Interest Group leaders and Board members Recognition Dinner. RSVPs will be sent to Florence Orenstein. It was decided to have a Board meeting on August 23 at 9:45 AM at Inga Hoffman's house to ensure the arrangements are in hand for this event. Invitations should go out by the end of July.

Events: Florence Orenstein

Florence reported all is moving along well for the June 9 party. Discussion was held about what hors d'oeuvres to have. Florence felt most people prefer pre-assembled items rather than putting it together themselves. She will check with the caterer to see if this is possible.

Publicity: A person for this job is still needed.

An at-large member of the Board was suggested by Florence Orenstein. She is retiring after this year and thinks we should ask one or two people. Nancy Mead thinks we need someone who is proactive. Chris LeMaistre said he would mention on Sunday that someone may want to take the job as a possible prelude to taking a defined position on the Board.

Speaker Program: Fred De Jarlais

Fred says he still needs a speaker for October. He has a few on his list still to contact. He has John Jordan for November and Charles Hendrick for January. Nichole Paiement will speak in April and possibly Michael Mateas sometime in the spring. He said the feedback on having a musical interlude at the general meeting was good. He has been in contact with Carolyn Sills who performs the "Patsy Cline" songbook. She has agreed to perform at the September meeting.

STARS: Chris LeMaistre will contact Corinne Miller regarding an accounting of our monthly expenses as requested by Fred DeJarlais and Harry Hanson. They feel the Board needs to know this information. Lois Widom is preparing her talk on Interest Groups for the conference in Colorado Springs and would like more specific information on Interest Group membership. Phyllis Wood will ask at the general meeting by "show of hands" to indicate membership in one, two, three groups, etc., and thereby determine the dynamics of Interest group membership.

Inga Hoffman would like to talk about the members' buttons at the next meeting. She will explore the many varieties which are available and which could be sent out with the membership letters.

The next Board meeting will be on August 23rd.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.