

MINUTES OF OLLI BOARD MEETING, APRIL 18, 2013, 10 A.M.

Attendees: Chris Le Maistre, Fred DeJarlais, Inga Hoffman, Nancy Thomas, Mark Gordon, JoAnne Dlott, Gail Greenwood, Lois Widom, Sally Lester, Phyllis Wood, Steve Zaslav, David Copp, Nancy Mead

Minutes: Nancy Thomas

The minutes of March 11, 2013 were approved as amended.

Presidents Comments: Chris Le Maistre

1. There is to be a Northern California OLLI Planning Committee in Berkeley on May 20. Chris and Sally Lester will attend. They have offered to do a presentation of how our OLLI works and how it is different from most others.

2. Nominations of Office holders for the Upcoming Year: The Nominating Committee has nominated Fred De Jarlais to serve as President; Dennis Morris as Vice President; David Copp will continue to serve as Treasurer and Nancy Thomas to continue serving as Recording Secretary. The Nominating Committee (consisting of Helen Jones, Florence Orenstein and Robert Franson) will present this slate at the May 2013 meeting along with any other nominations which may be received from the floor. The officers will be elected by vote of the membership at the May General Meeting.

3. Database: Mark Gordon reported he has enlisted testers to try out the newly developed on-line membership registration system. By the May meeting, the system should be up and running. In June the renewal letter will urge people to sign up online. Also there will be an article in the May newsletter which will include instructions.

4. “Hire Education”: Chris announced that a UCSC student video contest needs judges.

Courses: Lois Widom

Lois reminded the Board that a class on “Africa, Now What” taught by Professor Ronnie Gruhn is coming up in May of this year. Todd Newberry will teach another class on bird watching next year and Michael Warren will again teach a

class on Shakespeare. The class on JFK is going to be re-scheduled due to too few registered students.

Interest Groups: Phyllis Wood

Phyllis has had two requests for new interest groups: 1) a non-fiction book group by Mary Caravalho and 2) a group led by Lisa Warshaw to attend the National Theatre performances held at the Del Mar Theater and to hold discussions before and after the performances. Both new groups were approved.

Membership:

People sometimes ask for a membership list. David Copp offered to look up members for them if they are not in the current directory. David also mentioned interest group leaders should respond to email inquiries about whether their groups are filled or not.

Facilities and Hospitality: Mark Gordon

Mark continues to want Board members to act as “greeters” at the meeting. He reported we had 230 people at the last meeting. If we need more chairs, he may ask Board members to help with setting them up. He needs someone to help in putting up the restroom signs. Nancy Thomas agreed to be a backup for this job and Chris Le Maistre offered to be a back-up after June.

Publications: Steve Zaslav

Steve will be putting the June party coupon in the May newsletter. He also decided with the Board’s approval to publish the directory by August or early September instead of November as it is now done.

Events: JoAnne Dlott

JoAnne is already getting signups for the June party. Chris Le Maistre will remind everyone of the party at the April meeting. JoAnne also reported we will have the folk singing group performing at the party.

Publicity: Gail Greenwood

Gail submitted information about OLLI to the Aptos Times, Sentinel, Coast Lines and Good Times about the April meeting. She will write an article to be published in August as well. The “community page” produced by cruzio.com was also suggested as a good outlet for OLLI information.

Speakers Program: Fred DeJarlais

Fred reported he has two commitments for speakers next fall. He also mentioned we will need a new Speaker Program chair for next year.

STARS: Sally Lester

Sally will be sure that staff will serve coffee by 9:30 at Sunday meetings. We would have to pay more for earlier service. The shuttle service seems to be working. In the future our parking lot is going to be monitored on weekends. There also will be a charge for parking. Sally is going to look into the cost of using a remote lot and shuttle bus service to convey members to the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

A new Speaker Program Chair is needed for next year.

Sally Lester will look into cost of using remote lot and busing for next year.