

MINUTES OF OLLI BOARD MEETING, MARCH 11, 2013, 10 A.M.

Attendees: Chris Le Maistre, Fred DeJarlais, Inga Hoffman, Nancy Thomas, Mark Gordon, Ruth Keeley, JoAnne Dlott, Gail Greenwood, Lois Widom, Sally Lester, Phyllis Wood, Steve Zaslaw

Minutes: Nancy Thomas

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

Presidents Comments: Chris Le Maistre

1. Database: Mark Gordon brought a copy of the membership database which included courses members have paid for as well as additional information provided by them. Mark felt Board members should have access to the database but it should be password protected. It was moved, seconded and passed to have an EXCEL database available to Board members. Gail Greenwood was opposed. Mark and Bonita Sebastian will continue developing the database with University Relations and will report back to the OLLI database committee.

2. Posts on Web Newsletter: Chris LeMaistre suggested Dennis Morris be in charge of a new bulletin board site on the website. Mark Gordon suggested people send text to Dennis Morris who can bring up to the Board any questions he may have. Chris will talk to Dennis.

3. Foster Child Education: Chris said he will be making an announcement at the next general meeting about a group interested in getting volunteers for the Foster Child Education group.

Publications: Steve Zaslaw

Steve said that publishing an addendum to the membership directory at this stage of the year was not warranted because of expense and other factors. Discussion continued as to when to publish the directory. It was suggested we could put new member's names in the newsletter as they join. The consensus on the member's directory leant towards publishing the directory once a year in the October time frame. Steve will have the next newsletter mailed by the first of April. Currently, he requests that interest group leaders provide news from their group on a bi-monthly basis. In the future, he intends to request monthly updates. The deadline is the 20th of the month.

Membership: Ruth Keeley

Discussion continued as to when the membership year should begin. Mark Gordon moved that “the membership year will begin July 1, 2013.” It was seconded and approved unanimously. Mark also moved that “starting February 1, 2014, anyone who joins will pay one-half only (\$12.50) to the end of the year.” It was seconded and approved unanimously. Also moved, seconded and approved unanimously was “from now on there will be no difference between family and individual memberships, i.e., \$25.00 each.” Sally Lester asked if memberships that are still in the system will be under this new system. The answer was no. Mark moved that “anyone in the directory can choose not to include their address, email or phone number.” The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Another motion was that “only in dire emergencies, can decisions be made by the Board outside the regular Board meeting.” Seconded and approved unanimously. Ruth reported the new badges are out now. She suggested having members indicate on their renewal how they want their names to appear on the new badges to read, i.e., using a nickname, etc. Ruth will continue issuing new badges as needed. Inga Hoffman indicated that we will not be continuing with the former metal badges.

Courses: Lois Widom

Lois reported that John Dizikes may do a class on Black poetry next year. Barry Bowman, Dale Johnson and Isebill Gruhn have taught two classes and so have earned honorary memberships. Fred DeJarlais will make certificates for them. Danny Sheehan will teach a Cowell College class to undergraduates at Crown College this year on “Who Killed JFK.” He would like people of our OLLI’s generation i.e. people who were around when the assassination occurred, to attend the class. It starts April 2. Lois moved “to send a letter of invitation by email to all our members to attend this class.” Faye Crosby will make an announcement at this month’s meeting. The motion was approved with the exception of Fred DeJarlais who voted no and Ruth Keeley who abstained. Ruth suggested bringing a list of people who signed up for the class.

Interest Groups: Phyllis Wood

Phyllis reported Gabrielle Stocker wants to form a new group which will be meeting monthly to explore learning about local non-profit groups. It will be called “Not for Profit.” It was moved and approved unanimously to “accept

Gabrielle's offer to set up the new group." Steve will need a statement to use to describe the new group.

Facilities and Hospitality: Mark Gordon

Mark reported everything in place for this Sunday's meeting. He would like to have more Board members act as "greeters" at the meeting.

Events: JoAnne Dlott

JoAnne asked who the check is to be made out to for the summer party. She was told it is the U.C. Regents. Mark Gordon will give JoAnne the list of who has paid before the event. It was recommended the money be sent to STARS instead of JoAnne. Steve Zaslaw will bring coupons to the March general meeting. People should sign up by two weeks before the event. They can sign up at the meeting by check or cash. Steve will also do directions and a map to the Seascape Golf Club.

Publicity: Gail Greenwood

Gail is making contacts to do an article. She will give information to the Aptos Times for the April meeting. She is developing a calendar also to submit to local publications.

Speakers Program: Fred DeJarlais

Fred reported he has two commitments for speakers next fall.

STARS: Sally Lester

Sally will be sure that staff will serve coffee by 9:30 at Sunday meetings.

Elections: Chris Le Maistre will be speaking to three people to be on a nominations committee. Mark Gordon mentioned that people who have served on the Board should be thanked for their service.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

Mark: To report back next meeting on database

Chris: To talk to Dennis Morris about bulletin board site. Chris to appoint three people to nominations committee.

Lois: To send a letter of invitation to members re: "Who Killed JFK."

Steve: Needs a statement to use to describe the "Not for Profit" group. Steve will bring coupons for the summer party to Sunday's meeting. Steve will do directions and a map to the Seascape Golf Club.

Fred: To make certificates for honorary memberships for Dale Johnson, Isebill Gruhn and Barry Bowman.