MINUTES OF OLLI BOARD MEETING, APRIL 21, 2014, 10 A.M.

Present:

Fred DeJarlais, Nancy Thomas, Sally Lester, Steve Zaslaw, David Copp, Nancy Mead, Inga Hoffman, Bill Patterson, Dennis Morris, Ruth Keeley, Gail Greenwood, Jennifer Balboni, JoAnn Dlott, Pegatha Hughes, Lois Widom, Mark Gordon, and Chris Le Maistre.

Minutes: Pegatha Hughes

The minutes of March 10 were approved as written and passed.

President's Comments

- 1. Introduced Pegatha Hughes, Board nominee for Secretary, taking minutes for Nancy at this meeting.
- 2. Discussion about Matt Miller's recent death. Fred will write about his contributions to OLLI for the next newsletter. Steve Zaslaw will include a section called "In Memoriam" for two others who died during this last month (Paul Henry and Dave Rigler) and continue to do this whenever he receives the information. Jennifer will set up a Facebook venue for members to remember friends in OLLI who have passed.

Subcommittee Reports

- 1. Parking Dennis Morris: No change needed at this time.
- 2. Online transactions- Mark Gordon: PIDM's will be assigned to each person by the University. By the end of June members' temporary ID will be emailed with a membership renewal prompt. The ID (PIDM) will need to be changed when they log on to the website to register.
- 3. 30th Anniversary planning Nancy Mead: The year-long celebration begins with the opening meeting in September with tables, music and special food in the patio, huge banner, interest group sign-up tables organized into 9 cluster groups. She will ask some of the course teachers to speak about their experiences at the big party at the end of the year. Nancy would like to bring forward early scholarship recipients. Suggests asking Jim Ferris, a founding member to make a presentation. Mark suggested an OLLI timeline of the past 30 years.

Treasurer's Report.

Fred went over his Fiscal Year 2015 and 2016 Proposal, organized by endowments and the expenses they cover.

Discussion

He agreed that expenses would be smaller because income for end- of -year party was not included.

His proposal includes raising the membership donation from \$25 to \$35 and Interest Group fees to \$35 as well, in order to boost the number and amount of

scholarships, as well as keep the organization securely in the black.

Discussion ensued about needs, strategy, if and when membership donations should be raised. David Copp proposed we increase dues to \$50 a year including Interest Group fees. No second offered. Mark Gordon moved we adopt the budget as proposed. Steve seconded it. **The motion passed.**

It was agreed we frame the increase as in support of increasing our scholarship program.

Discussion about raising course fees. David Copp moved and Bill Peterson seconded that we wrap membership and interest group donations into a \$70 yearly dues fee. Motion did not pass. Decided to look at course fee increase next year.

Fred was thanked for the hours that went into preparing "the clearest yet" OLLI Budget. Sally said the spreadsheet will help her a great deal with UCSC liaison.

Courses – Lois Widom:

Lois noted disparities in monetary gifts paid to our teachers (which goes to their departments). Gayle moved we give \$100 to each teacher. Lois seconded.

The motion passed.

Interest groups – Bill Patterson:

Bill presented a set of criteria for interest groups. These were discussed and the following changes made:

- 1- "Meet in Santa Cruz County" changed to "Based in Santa Cruz County."
- 2- Deleted "Don't charge for participation" as this is understood.

Bill moved to pass it with corrections. Dennis seconded.

The motion passed.

Membership – Ruth Keeley

Ruth urged the Board to clarify and publish the revised Bylaws so they can be voted on soon.

<u>Facilities and Hospitality – Mark Gordon:</u>

No meeting dates next year conflict with holidays. All will be on the 3rd Sunday.

Events – JoAnne Dlott:

The end-of-year party will be June 8 at Seascape Golf Club, 2-5 PM. Zinfandel wine to come from Bargetto's - a change from Merlot.

Publicity – Jennifer Balboni:

Jennifer said that she had gotten notifications into a number of papers and discussed running ads for OLLI in some new places, such as the Pajaro Times, the Sierra Club Newsletter, etc. With the budget she can choose some that are appropriate and emphasize diversity. Consensus: diversity is part of our mission. Board approved ads

in new venues.

<u>Speaker Program – Gail Greenwood:</u>

Gail said she had it covered. Besides OLLI course teachers, she would also talk to some former speakers who were highly regarded.

Next Board meeting will be same time, same place, 5/12/2014.

Next year we will need to find another place to meet as Inga and George will not be able to host the group. Aptos area was suggested. Jennifer mentioned that she could accommodate the group.

The meeting adjourned at 12:07.