

Olli Board Meeting

May 14, 2018 / 10:00 am / Walnut Commons Santa Cruz

Attendees

Gail Greenwood, Bonita Sebastian, Cindy Margolin on paper, Dennis Morris via phone call, Lois Widom, Barry Bowman, Jan McCormack, Pat Emard, Fred DeJarlais, Constantine Lackides, Mark Gordon, Bill Patterson, Sara Radoff, Chris Le Maistre, Nancy Abrams, Margie Lafia

Agenda

- Minutes of the April 9, 2018 meeting by Margie Lafia were approved.

President's Comments or Discussions

- **End of the School Year Celebration** There are about 63 people who have registered for the event. Discussion followed about how to increase attendance.
 - Pat Emard and Jan McCormack distributed several handouts identifying issues with practices and processes they have encountered while organizing the OLLI End of the Year Celebration, including UCSC's slow business practices and its unilateral addendum sent to Seascape Resort. It would be important in the future for the coordinators to have written documentation describing the expectations and processes in advance. In addition, they have deep concerns about planning for the next event in September at Bargetto Winery.
 - Pat Emard and Jan McCormack offered several suggestions to facilitate a smoother process in the future, such as better communication and transparency among all parties. Also they listed three possible options for the September Volunteers' Thank You Event: Combine the two events into the upcoming Celebration with the volunteers as OLLI's guests, postpone the September Event to allow for increased planning time or proceed with the plans as they are, without the help of Pat Emard and Jan McCormack.
 - Board Action-The majority approved postponement of the September Thank You Event.
 - Experienced Board members said they had confidence that the June Celebration would occur. In the meantime, Mark Gordon, Gail Greenwood and Bill Patterson said that they would contact Bargetto Winery and the caterer, Carried Away, to discuss the plans for the September Event. Also, several more Board sub-committee meetings will take place during the summer to discuss the plans.
 - Sara Radoff explained the limits of her ability to influence the outcome of the University's financial decisions. She said she would help the Board members identify those on campus who are responsible for the processes. Also, Barry Bowman, as a campus insider, is willing to help identify ways to expedite the financial processes.
- **Calendar**
Mark Gordon provided a list of OLLI **Meeting Dates reserved for 2018**

General Meeting Sunday, September 16; Board Meeting on Monday, September 10
 General Meeting Sunday, October 21; Board Meeting on Monday, October 15
 General Meeting Sunday, November 18; Board Meeting on Monday, November 12

Meeting Dates for 2019

General Meeting Sunday, January 20; Board Meeting on Monday, January 14
 General Meeting Sunday, February 17; Board Meeting on Monday, February 11
 General Meeting Sunday, March 17; Board Meeting on Monday, March 11
 General Meeting Sunday, April 28; Board Meeting on Monday, April 22
 General Meeting Sunday, May 19; Board Meeting on Monday, May 13.

- **Speakers with books to sell** Barry Bowman was assured that speakers who have books to sell will be allowed to do so.
- **Music Presentation** Barry Bowman mentioned that a group from the student opera will perform music from Mozart's Magic Flute at the General Meeting and that he would need money to rent a keyboard. Board approved.
- **Website proposal** Dennis Morris spoke to the Board via a phone call asking members to give feedback on the new website. He will resend the username and password to everyone.
- **Election of Officers** The election committee chair (Dennis Morris) presented the proposed slate of new officers for next year. The Board unanimously approved the following slate for election at the next General Meeting:
 - President-Gail Greenwood
 - Vice President-Bonita Sebastian
 - Treasurer-Cindy Margolin
 - Secretary-Janis Bolt
- **Brochures** Bonita Sebastian and Lois Widom requested some more brochures to distribute. Fred Dejarlais provided some more and asked for feedback on the new format.
- **Video Taping OLLI classes and providing videos on YouTube** Lois Widom was concerned about providing free videos of courses on the web because people might not attend the classes. Barry Bowman said that he did not mind if anyone videotaped his class. Constantine Lackides suggested a written policy. There is concern about copyright issues. Tabled until September.
- **Meeting devoted to scholarship recipients** Bill Patterson provided the dates for the **Silvia Miller Awards 2018-2019** Program Calendar:
 - July 2**, New Scholarship Application Form emailed to arriving STARS students.
 - August 20**, Scholarship applications received by this date at STARS office.
 - September 5 and 12**, Scholarship Committee meets to evaluate applications. **September 15**, Evaluated scholarship applications returned to STARS office. **September 22**, UCSC Fall Quarter begins. Notes emailed to student applicants, congratulating the awardees and expressing gratitude for applying to those not awarded a scholarship.
 - September 27**, Instruction commences.

October 6, Letters of appreciation required from those receiving scholarships.

October 26, 6 PM, The Silvia Miller Awards Party. Attending are awardees, STARS staff, OLLI Board members, Selection Committee members and OLLI members who donated to the Scholarship Fund. Framed certificates presented to awardees who attend.

November 18, OLLI General Meeting, “Meet Our STARS,” hosting all the awardees willing to attend, with two speaking of their appreciation. A co-mingling of members and awardees following the meeting, will permit networking by our scholars.

Board Reports

- **Speaker Program** Barry Bowman mentioned that he hopes future speakers will reflect the diversity at UCSC.
- **Courses** Lois Widom announced that she is working on several new courses for the Fall.
- **Publications** Fred DeJarlais now has help with the e-bulletin provided by Garret Tollkuhn.
- **Treasurer’s Report** Cindy Margolin sent a copy of the current report.
- **Website** Dennis Morris...see above under President’s Comments/Discussions.
- **Membership** Bonita Sebastian announced we currently have 667 members for 2018. 136 have signed up since January 1. Discussion was held regarding people who sign up close to the end of the year. Some wanted to pay a prorated fee.
 - Board Action: the May cut-off date for rolling the membership over to the new year will continue. People who complain will have a complimentary membership until the end of the year. A change in this policy was tabled.
- **STARS** Sara Radoff...see above under President’s Comments/Discussions.
- **Interest Groups** Constantine Lackides announced that he was resigning from this position. The Board needs to find a new interest group coordinator. Constantine will send an email to prospective coordinators. Gail Greenwood will announce this opening at the next general meeting.
- **Events** Pat Emar and Jan McCormack
- **Publicity** Nancy Abrams said that she does not have any background in publicity and she will step aside for a new coordinator. Gail Greenwood will announce this vacancy at the next general meeting.
- **Scholarships** Bill Patterson...see above under President’s Comments/Discussions.

Next Meeting

Subcommittee Meeting

June 18, 2018 10:00 am at Walnut Commons, Santa Cruz to debrief on the end of the year Celebration

Next Board Meeting

Monday, August 20 2018 10am at Walnut Commons, Santa Cruz