Olli Board Meeting

Date: January 14, 2019 Location: Walnut Commons

Attendees

Gail Greenwood,, Mark Gordon,, Bonita Sebastian, Barry Bowman, Lois Widom, Janis Bolt, Chris Le Maistre, Karen Gamell, Bill Patterson, Cindy Margolin, David Lieby, Ginna Holcombe, Dennis Morris, Caesar Gamboa, Sara Radoff

Agenda

1. President's Comments or Discussions-

- A. Gail Greenwood announced the resignation of board members Jan McCormack and Pat Emard. The resigning members cited several major concerns that they provided information about, some of which included financial concerns, strategic planning, paying instructors, amount of money spent for parties, etc. They were hopeful that some of these issues would be addressed by the OLLI Board in the future.
- B. Karen Gamell volunteered to serve as Events Coordinator with assistance from Mark Gordon and Bill Patterson. Sara Radoff od STARS urged the planning of events earlier by identifying the dates allowing UC procurement to start the process well in advance of the event. One problem identified is that UC does not make deposits to vendors and Sara urged the use of cleared vendors for venues

MOVED and APPROVED: To host the End of Year event on June 9, 2019 at Seascape.

MOVED and APPROVED. To host the Volunteer Appreciation event on September 12, 2019 at Bargetto Winery.

Minutes-MOVED and APPROVED: Minutes of December 10, 2018 meeting.

Agenda for January 20, 2019 General Meeting

- 1. Cindy Margolin will ask for volunteers who will offer rides to monthly meetings. Dennis Morris will support with an announcement on the website. Cindy will provide the words.
- 2. Barry Bowman will introduce a new interest group The Future of Capitalism and Grace Gerbrandt will introduce Fiction Novel Writing.
- 3. Gail Greenwood will remind all to make sure they renew their membership.
- 4. Mark Gordon will discuss Alternative Spring Break.
- 5. 1/20/19 Speaker is Carlos Dobkin who will talk about the effects of minimum legal drinking age on alcohol consumption.

C. David Lieby reported that the Newsletter deadline is 25–26th of the each month for the online version and 14–16th for the print version. The deadline for submission of articles will be sent out at the beginning of each month. Postcards can be utilized for quick turnaround notices needed in print.

David needs listing of members street addresses on a priority basis; to be followed by email addresses. Dennis Morris needs email addresses to send out e-Newsletter.

Bonita Sebastian will prepare lists for mid-July, mid-August membership letters and August postcard mailing announcing September meeting and encouragement for renewing membership.

Member directory will be distributed, ongoing, by the beginning of the calendar year.

MOVED and APPROVED: Membership directory, printed in a Lab Book format, will be distributed at the beginning of the calendar year and will list all members current with dues at that time.

D. Gail Greenwood discussed creating a board inventory which would enumerate priorities, budget direction, program design, review of strategic plan from two years past..

A nominating committee will be determined at the February, 2019 board meeting. Dennis Morris will provide previous Strategic Plan document.

Reports

A.Treasurer Cindy Margolin distributed the 1/14/19 report to date spreadsheet. She had previously forwarded, via e-mail, a detailed report.

The bill for Colleges 9 & 10 has not been received.

Course income is on target.

Martha MacCambridge, a company, prepares and mails out OLLI's printable materials including the newsletter, brochures, postcards etc.

Constant Contact, a company that provides software to send out bulk email, completes the e-mail distribution of OLLI items.

STARS used OSHER funds to pay directly for air travel for participants at the OSHER conference.

Roll forward OSHER funds are being utilized and will be reported at the end of the FY.

B. David Lieby, Publicity and Publications Coordinator, reported that he is targeting Sentinel Coast Lines and Good Times.

Sara Radoff of STARS will contact the UC Calendar group that selects items for the Events Calendar.

Bonita Sebastian will check with UC Womens's Club about reciprocal publicity.

OLLI has funds for purchasing ads in relevant publications such as the Cabrillo newsletter.

Dennis Morris asked if the OLLI Partners were all still valid. David will check it out.

MOVED and APPROVED: E-Newsletters will be distributed to past members for 2 years after their membership expires. Bonita Sebastian will provide the email listings to Dennis and David.

C. Lois Widom reported that Courses are on track and she has received very positive feedback about rich discussions during and after the courses such as that at the Non-Euclidean Geometries course. Retiring Chancellor George Blumenthal has agreed to give a course in the fall on American Universities (in general).

Next Stage, a organization that performs plays utilizing the talents of seniors, has asked to contact interested members and it was suggested that they be invited to display brochures at the general meeting.

D. Barry Bowman reported on speakers for the general meeting:

February, Regina Langhout, Professor of Psychology on immigration issues.

March, Juan Poblete, Professor of Literature will present the role of reading in our lives.

April, Ingrid Parker, Professor of Biology will discuss invasive plants.

E. Dennis Morris asked that edits and ideas for improvements for the About section of the OLLI website and any other improvements to the website be brought to his attention.

Course information need to be sent early to University Relations to set up registrations for courses using credit cards online.

- F. Mark Gordon, Facilities, reported that he is working on the space for the September 2019 meeting. Mark will request an invoice for 2018 for Colleges 9 & 10 and Porter.
- G. Ginna Holcombe reported that, at the 1/20/19 meeting Barry will present information about the new interest group, The Future of Capitalism; and, Grace Gerbrandt will present Fiction Novel Writing.

Table information and other bulletin posters (like interest group sign-ups in September) are not easily created and Fred DeJarlais is no longer doing them. Table shells are good value as they are useful over and over.

MOVED and APPROVED: To purchase 72 plastic table shells for bulletins and table direction for general and September meetings.

H. Karen Gamell, Membership, and Bonita reported that membership count is between 625-630. Data from the past two years compared to this year will be reported at the February meeting.

SC OLLI could bolster the Annual Report by reporting approximate member contact hours across the interest groups, courses, general meetings, special events and trips.

• Action Items:

Nominating Committee will be set up at the February Board Meeting.

Board will review and discuss previous strategic plan and a strategy for moving forward.

Next Meeting: February 11, 2019