

Zoom Olli Board Meeting Notes, Rev. 2

Date: 11/9/2020

Participants: Bonita Sebastian, Cindy Margolin, Barry Bowman, Lois Widom, Karen Gamell, Ginna Holcombe, Mark Gordon, David Lieby, Bill Patterson, Dennis Morris, Kate Erstein, Sara Radoff, Gail Greenwood, Guenter Vorlop

Motion Approvals and Actions:

1. Approval of October 2020 Minutes.
2. Motion approved: after end of 2020: (a) send class invitation to paying members only, (b) requests for printed newsletters will be sent to paying members only and (c) continue sending newsletters to non-paying members.
3. Motion approved to invite paying and non-paying members to a Zoom Holiday Happy Hour on December 20th, 2020 at 4:00 PM. Depending on the number of participants, intent is to do it again on a monthly or even weekly basis. Barry Bowman will set it up.
4. Bonita Sebastian to send all Board members a list of members who have not yet paid annual dues. Karen Gamell wants to send out post cards to those with a friendly reminder.

Other Highlights:

5. Bonita Sebastian:

- 355 new and renewing members have paid their 2020/2021 dues. This compares to 675 members last year. See action item 4.
- OLLI Santa Cruz won the annual Osher Woo Hoo award for Alternative Spring Break project and will get a \$ 350 Apple gift card soon – use to be determined. David Lieby will talk more about the award in a newsletter.
- Osher Conference was divided in 2 groups and Bonita Sebastian was in the 600-800 member group exchanging experiences and ideas. Bill Patterson wanted to know how other OLLI groups promote scholarships and Bonita Sebastian wants to follow up.
- OLLI board members are receiving emails from Bonita Sebastian which are scams. Watch the sender's address which is not Bonita Sebastian's.

6. Barry Bowman updated speakers for the general meetings:

- November 15th: Matt Wetstein, President of Cabrillo College, will talk about comparison of the Supreme Courts in the US and Canada.
- January: Rebecca Covarrubias will talk about how minority students respond to different methods of teaching.
- February: Rita Miller will talk about Phoebe Hearst and her philanthropic support of music.

7. **Cindy Margolin** also recommended Schmuel Thaler, photographer for the Santa Cruz Sentinel, as a speaker for General Meetings.
8. **Lois Widom** updated line-up of speakers:
 - January, Peter Farkas will teach a course on Mathematics and Jim Estes is creating a course, the Ecology of Disease.
 - February, Dr. Dick Hancy will teach a course on treating Vietnam prisoners of war. Michael Warren will teach two Shakespeare plays even if there is no Santa CruzShakespeare. .
 - Ronnie Gruhn - world affairs. OLLI board members prefer her classes on Zoom to facilitate interaction with the speaker. Barry Bowman wants to follow up with Ronnie Gruhn and Dean Gottehrer.
9. **Cindy Margolin**: financials look “normal”. One student dropped out of scholarship and Janett Ceja and the scholarship committee are considering 1 or 2 students from the back-up list and winter entries. 29 fall payments to scholarship students were done plus 1 international student payment pending.
10. **David Lieby**: OLLI November paper newsletter was sent out today. The newsletter deadline is November 26th.
11. **Kate Erstein**: Other OLLI groups have Zoom Happy hours on Fridays to keep in touch. See item 3 motion.

Next board Meeting : December 14th, 2020 at 10:00 AM via Zoom

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