

Zoom Olli Board Meeting Notes, Rev. 1

Date 9/14/2020

Participants: Bonita Sebastian, Cindy Margolin, Barry Bowman, Lois Widom, Karen Gamell, Ginna Holcombe, Mark Gordon, Bill Patterson, DeShonne Keller, Kate Erstein, Guenter Vorlop, Sara Radoff.

Motion Approvals and Action Items:

1. Approval of August 2020 Meeting Minutes.
2. Approval of publishing newsletters from 2 down to 1 a month. Bonita Sebastian will consult the starting date with David Lieby. Difficulty publishing enough content bi-weekly.

Other Highlights:

1. **Bonita Sebastian:** Membership down to 245 including 10 new members – what to do about? Suggestions were: sending emails or letters to members not yet paid, contact friends who have not yet paid, address it on General Meeting on 9/20/20. No firm action(s) formulated.
2. Decision against tapping into Osher Grant of \$ 25,000 for capacity building. Application difficult.
3. **Sara Radoff:** 2 board members can attend plenary sessions at the October 2020 Virtual Osher National Conference in addition to Bonita Sebastian and Sara Radoff. Contact Bonita Sebastian if interested.
4. **Kate Erstein:** Cost of sending out hard Newsletter copies? \$ 832 for 300 copies incl. postage paid out of the Osher fund as per De Shonne Keller and Cindy Margolin. Hard copies for all members unless opted out. Board members should receive hard copies.
5. **Barry Bowman** leading group discussion about General Meeting Agenda for 9/20/20 virtual Zoom meeting. Preliminary subject to Barry Bowman's final approval:
 - 10:00 AM Zoom room opens up.
 - 10:30 AM Breakout groups - or earlier depending of number of participants.
 - 10:40 AM Business meeting. Speakers Cindy Margolin, Lois Widom, Ginna Holcombe and Bonita Sebastian for Bill Patterson on scholarships.
 - 11:00 AM Speaker Ben Read on China.
 - 11:45 AM Q&A using Chat link to submit questions and/or by raising hands depending on number of participants. Barry Bowman to manage procedure.
 - 12:00 PM End
6. **Bill Patterson:** 14 members participated in selecting scholarship beneficiaries. Very impressed by students' applications. Kudos to Janet
7. **Barry Bowman** wants to start working on speakers for Oct. and Nov. general meetings.
8. **Lois Widom:** 2 courses are coming up: Supreme Court decisions and Gail Greenwood's repeat course on Women in History. Also, Jim Estes is organizing a course with other teachers about "Ecology of Diseases".

Next Board Meeting on October 12th, 2020.

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