Zoom OLLI Board Meeting, Rev. 2

Date: 02/14/2022

<u>Participants:</u> Barry Bowman, Lois Widom, Mark Gordon, Dennis Morris, David Lieby, Bill Patterson, Cindy Margolin, Gail Greenwood, Kate Erstein, Dani Barker, Ginna Holcombe, Bonita Sebastian, Karen Gamell, Guenter Vorlop

Motion Approvals:

1. Approval of January 2022 minutes.

Other Highlights:

2. Barry Bowman:

- Next General Meeting is on 2/20/22 starting at 10 AM with breakout groups, 10:30 AM business meeting with speakers Barry Bowman or Lois Widom about upcoming courses, 11AM Speaker Burney Le Boeuf.
- March General Meeting probably will be in Zoom format again as John R. Lewis colleges 9/10 building allows only 150 participants max under Covid rules – expected to be not enough seats. Dani Barker confirmed this UCSC rule.
- Gail Greenwood suggested to check with members to see how they feel about meeting in person again (maybe <150?)
- Kate Erstein mentioned that the General Meetings are open to the public which should be mentioned in the Coastlines announcement in the Santa Cruz Sentinel.
- Dennis Morris wanted to know which interest groups are meeting. Ginna recommended to contact interest leaders.
- <u>Membership:</u> Dani Barker informed Barry Bowman that we are 20 members below the OSHER minimum 500 members. Dennis Morris said the most recent count shows 488 members. Barry Bowman suggested following solutions (a) push back, (b) push to get membership > 500 or (c) present a plan.
- Dennis Morris pointed out that there are > 100 members who haven't paid their 2021/22 dues.
- Ginna Holcombe will email interest group leaders to request current OLLI enrollment of IG members and will include a names-only list of members renewed for 21-22.
- Lois Widom was in favor sending out personal letters.
- Barry Bowman and Karen Gamell want to come up with a plan.
- 3. Lois Widom on courses:

- Barry Bowman started by emphasizing the need to send out a Zoom link reminder a day before the course happens. He experienced a drop in attendance in his class when the reminder was not sent.
- Barry Bowman contacted heads of the History as well as the History of Art & Visual Culture (HAVC) departments offering \$ 1500 to graduate students willing to present 4 courses. Proposals were submitted by two women from the HVAC department.
- Lois Widom said that one of them has previously been awarded an OLLI scholarship. One course will be offered in March with the topic "Art in Brazil" and the second will be in May, "Byzantine Art".
- No course yet scheduled for April. Barry Bowman wants to contact more department heads and is thinking of Psychology, Anthropology and Environmental Studies, among others.
- 4. <u>Bill Patterson:</u> Next year's applications will be handled in the fall of 2022. All students in STARS will be contacted.
- 5. <u>Ginna Holcombe</u> raised the question of insurance coverage for the interest groups. Dani Barker will check it and advise. Bill Patterson thought that trips and falls are covered by UCSC insurance.
 - Lois Widom suggested to check whether interest groups would be interested in creating a 4 course class.
- 6. <u>David Lieby:</u> next newsletter deadline is 2/24/22.
 - Ginna Holcombe was looking for recommendations for members to be featured in the "Who is Who" column. She is working on a new column "Where in the World".
- 7. <u>Cindy Margolin:</u> not present. Barry Bowman mentioned no major financial changes occurred.
- 8. <u>Mark Gordon:</u> There is no change in the access policy for the Multi-Purpose Room. College 10, soon to be renamed John R. Lewis College, is offering a series of Zoom panels on topics relevant to John Lewis' legacy. Mark Gordon will send the announcement to the board.
- 9. <u>Dennis Morris:</u> 488 members of which 37 are new members.
- **10.**<u>Barry Bowman:</u> March Speaker will be Sandra M. Faber who discovered and corrected the flaw in the Hubble telescope. She is interested in exploring scenarios 1000 years ahead and what to do now. Should be an exciting talk.
- 11. <u>Kate Erstein</u> 3 newcomers in January 2022.

Next Meeting is on 3/14 - pi day