

OLLI Board Meeting on Zoom and Live – December 5, 2022 – “Stay Curious”

1. **Participants:** Mark Gordon, Barry Bowman, Ron Sekkel, , Lois Widom, Karen Gamell, , Ginna Holcombe, Cindy Margolin, Bonita Sebastian, Bill Patterson, Dennis Morris, Gail Greenwood, Kate Erstein, David Lieby
2. **Absent:**, Dani Barker
3. **Meeting called to order at:** 10:03 AM
4. **Prior Minutes:**
 - a. OLLI Board Meeting Minutes of October 10, 2022 - Approved,
 - b. OLLI Board Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2022 – Approved
 - c. Request to have minutes mailed out soon after the meeting as opposed to just before the next meeting
5. **Upcoming General Meetings:**
 - a. January - Anthropologist – The survival of California Indians
 - b. February - Musician - History of Mariachi
 - c. Will continue Zoom thru Academic Year – We need a Zoom Meister to help with monitoring the meeting
6. **Treasurer’s Report**

Cindy reported her estimate of income and expenses for the current year. It seems likely that the OSHER funds will be more than enough to cover all operating expenses. We continue to have large OSHER carryforward funds from previous years, in part because some of our expenses were lower in the Pandemic, but that should change. The funds from current year donations, membership dues and course fees may not be sufficient to fund our increase in scholarships. However, the carryforward funds from memberships etc. will be sufficient to cover the cost of the scholarships.

7. **Discussion of ways to use our OSHER funds**

We could pay some teachers for additional courses.

We can try to find additional graduate student instructors

Would be good to have a dedicated person to administer the marketing/publicity effort, either a paid person or a new member of the Board with that function.

Address social isolation with more events like the arboretum picnic.

Reports:

1. **Interest Groups – Ginna**
 - a. Everything is going fine
 - b. Found somebody to write monthly report on “Sustainability” for the newsletter
2. **Facilities – Mark**
 - a. Bonita used to do what Dennis is doing ... He is doing a lot (as she did).
 - b. We should consider setting up a consultancy. A motion was put forward by Mark, seconded by Karen, that we create a budget and determine a rate for hourly compensation, retroactive to July 1, 2022. It passed unanimously

Courses – Lois

- c. Peter Farkas will offer a Math class in January
 - d. Gail Greenwood will offer her course in Women’s History
 - e. Roger Knacke will have a Cosmology class
 - f. Mary Crawford will be do a class on gender
 - g. Terry Burke moved here and is offering a class on history
 - h. Ronnie Gruhn will continue her recorded lectures on Foreign Affairs
 - i. A self-defense class was recommended – at the Community Foundation in Aptos
 - j. Get information to Dennis so he can put it on the website
 - k. Maureen McGuire wants to give another Art History course
 - l. Barry’s Molecular Biology Course will be offered in March or April
 - m. Bill Parks to give class on Hitchcock movies
3. **Membership – Karen & Dennis**
 - a. 554 total members; 76 were new members
 - b. Karen likes idea of a free members-only event in May. Can enroll at event. Arboretum as site, Mark to negotiate.

- c. Directory 2022-2023 is being worked on by Dennis to be reviewed by Kate and Barry.
 - d. Barry to work on Name Tags with Karen, there is also the possibility of farming it out
 - e. We need to hire a marketing person? Barry to ask for advice of the Board on next steps
- 4. Newcomers Meeting – Kate – Nothing new to report
 - 5. Plans for the next newsletter – David
 - a. Deadline is December 21, 2022
 - b. All of us think of replacements? We are all responsible to find new members to replace ourselves.
 - c. Barry volunteered to edit the newsletter for 2023
 - 6. Next Board Meeting: January 9, 2023
 - 7. Next Regular Meeting: January 15, 2023
 - 8. Adjournment: 11:55 AM
 - 9. Respectfully Submitted by Ron Sekkel, Secretary