

**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Delaware
Council Minutes
Frederick Thomas Building, Lewes
November 20, 2019**

In attendance: Bill Sharkey (chair), Anna Moshier, Renee Moy, Sally Cole, Joan Sciorra, Gerri Stephenson, Lynn Kroesen, Bud Zimmerman, Connie Benko, Bob Comeau, Paul Collins, and Karen Schaub. Quorum Present.

Bill Sharkey called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Agenda: The agenda for the Council Meeting for November 20, 2019 was accepted without changes.

Minutes: The Minutes from the October 22, 2019 Lewes OLLI Council Meeting were approved.

Motion to approve: Gerri Stephenson
Second: Karen Schaub
Passed unanimously

Staff Reports:

Anna Moshier

Anna asked for approval to purchase a wireless microphone. The cost of this item is \$200.

Motion to approve: Gerri Stephenson
Second: Paul Collins
Passed unanimously

Anna asked for approval to purchase 5 card tables. The cost for these items is \$280.00.

Motion to approve: Karen Schaub
Second: Bud Zimmerman
Passed unanimously

Anna asked for approval to purchase table pads. The cost for these items is \$240.00.

Motion to approve: Gerri Stephenson
Second: Bud Zimmerman
Passed unanimously

Committee Reports:

Academic Affairs: Bud Zimmerman

Bud noted that instructors are in place, but need to recruit students.

Communications: Lynn Kroesen

The next *Tides* deadline is Friday, November 29. Dover trips can be communicated to Lynn for inclusion in the newsletter if space is available. The Provost's visit will be covered by Paul and UD marketing staff.

Travel: Joan Sciorra

The New York City trip is a go. 100 people will be attending. Joan is in the process of coordinating an Ellis Island "Hard Hat Tour" through Delaware Express.

There was discussion of coordinating a trip to the African American Museum in Washington, DC. There is interest in attending the Harriet Tubman Tour at the Historical Society.

Social: Connie Benko

116 people attended the "Mix & Mingle" at Irish Eyes on November 13, and the feedback was very positive for this event, with the exception of the gravel parking lot.

Committee is still considering a combined Spring Social and Instructor Recognition, but Connie is seeking feedback on the idea of doing an Appetizers & Desserts Potluck at St. Jude's, and then a separate instructor recognition breakfast/brunch. Paul suggested contacting Mark Carter of Dogfish Head for a beer donation. The membership would provide plates, utensils, etc. Anna and Sally suggested that Joe and Chet could provide entertainment.

Connie will be setting up for the Provost meeting at 8:45 a.m. Monday 11/25/19. 60 people are registered thus far.

Connie will be setting up for Walk-In Registration on January 8.

Development: Paul Collins

Paul met with his committee to prioritize needs. Waiting on final lease to set up an official fundraising campaign. Paul would like to suggest porous concrete for the parking lot. Everyone is hoping the Provost will announce lease approval so that a giving program can start. 100% participation is the goal. Campaign name will be "Expanding Horizons."

Community Relations: Gerri Stephenson

53 people requested catalogs at the Expo 55 event on November 2. 3 people requested information on becoming an instructor. The next event is the Lewes Historical Society House Tour on December 7. We have 15 volunteers, and our house is 401 Kings Highway. Library displays will be going up in December. The Delaware Symphony will be performing at Cape Henlopen on May 12 and Gerri will need volunteer ushers.

Library: Ruth Barnett

Not in attendance

Long Range Planning: Pete Feeney

Not in attendance

Scholarship: Sabatino Maglione

Not in attendance

Financial*: Karen Schaub

Karen submitted the OLLI Financial Report for October. She noted the fundraiser had raised \$501.75. She and Anna noted that balances are still quite high even though the session is over. Ocean View was a successful venture revenue-wise.

Old Business: None

New Business:

There will be two vacancies on the Council in 2020 as Bill and Sabatino will have completed two terms. Gerri is willing to run for a second term. Anna and Sally will work with Bud.

We will implement new start times for Summer 2020 to accommodate travel time between multiple locations. It was noted that instructors are vehemently opposed to shortening class times. The new class times will be 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 pm, and 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. The consensus of the group was YES to trying these new times.

The next meeting will be held at Lewes on Tuesday, January 21, at 10:00 a.m. Karen requested to be placed at the end of the Agenda again.

Motion to adjourn: Connie Benko

Second: Bud Zimmerman

Passed unanimously

Adjournment: 10:40 a.m.

Sally Cole
Substitute Secretary

*Reports on File