Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Delaware in Lewes
Council Minutes
Frederick Thomas Building
February 19, 2019

In attendance: Bill Sharkey (chair), Anna Moshier, Peter Feeney, Kathy Henn, Paul Collins, Joan Sciorra, Gerri Stephenson, Lynn Kroesen, Bud Zimmerman, Craig Haggerty, and Sabatino Maglione. Quorum Present.

Bill Sharkey called the meeting to order at 12:24 p.m.

Agenda: The agenda for the February 19, 2019 Council Meeting was approved as amended. The appointment of Gerri Stephenson to the Council to complete the term of Craig Haggerty was moved from New Business to start of the meeting. Gerri Stephenson was appointed to the Council.

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

Motion to approve: Paul Collins
              Second: Bud Zimmerman
              Passed unanimously

Staff Reports: Anna Moshier

Plans are in formation to unite four different data bases currently in use to register members into one data base. OLLI is now part of the University of Delaware retirement packages. Our tri-fold flyers are included in the retirement benefits for any retirees joining our program. Volunteers are being sought to streamline our Instructors’ Manual into a single document for Dover, Ocean View and Lewes sites. Clear Space has proposed a trade for ads. They offer a ½ page ad in their season booklet in exchange for a full page ad in our Catalog. Recognition at the Instructors’ Breakfast was suggested for Elaine Stanhope and Amie Sloan. A meeting with Jeffery Fried, the CEO of Beebe Healthcare, is planned, prior to April, to discuss program partnering for the fall term.

Committee Reports:

Social Committee:

Connie Benko sent a written report indicating that 32 members had attended the February 13 Happy Hour held at Irish Eyes. The next Happy Hour is scheduled for Irish Eyes on March 13 from 3 to 6 p.m. The Spring Luncheon, scheduled for April 23 at the Atlantic Sands, will celebrate our 30th Anniversary with special centerpieces and an entrance banner. Work is underway to compile an OLLI history. The Elder Moments and Slow Jam have been invited to perform and Arts and Crafts will be on display. A 30th Anniversary Bulletin Board will feature photos of members in 1989. The Reception of Instructor’s Orientation was held in Ocean View on January 23 and in Lewes on January 24.
Development: Paul Collins

A meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 25 at 10:30 a.m. to meet with Peter Krawchyk, Dean Atekwana, George Irvine, TJ Cournoyer and I. G. Burton. The meeting will consider our space request for the Virden Center and the details about our relationship in terms of lease and commitments, parking spaces, administration, maintenance, and modifications needed and a timeline for occupation.

Community Relations: Gerri Stephenson

Usher volunteers are recruited for the March 24 Delaware Symphony performance. The committee transition from Craig Haggerty has been completed.

Library: No Report.

Long Range Planning: Pete Feeney

A meeting is scheduled for February 22 with Bill Sharkey, Bud Zimmerman, Karen Schaub, Anna Moshier, Paul Collins and Pete Feeney at 11 a.m. The Budget Meeting will follow at noon.

Scholarship: Sabatino Maglione

2 scholarships have been awarded this semester but no new applications have been received.

Financial*:

Karen Schaub submitted a written report. The new report adds a new column to the data chart and a new graph display was provided for both Lewes/Ocean View and Dover pages. It was noted that the income levels, YTD, are good and the expenses are great.

Academic Affairs: Bud Zimmerman

Bud planned to invite potential instructor Anna Berger to sit on our classes. The Instructors’ Breakfast plans are underway.

Pete Feeney reported that 23 paintings were sent to the Board of Directors of the Millsboro Art League hosted Art Show. A reception will be held on March 21 from 5 to 7 p.m. Paintings are on display at the old Millsboro Library. Members may call 302-934-6440 for questions about opening times. The paintings will be picked up on March 25. Planning is underway to offer daytime classes to be held here for 5 weeks as part of the Beebe Healthcare outreach program. A young art instructor has requested permission to bring her baby to the class room with her. It was decided to try it with the stipulation that class members be notified in advance.

Communications: Lynn Kroesen

The next Tides issue will feature the spring semester Annual Reports. Chairpersons were requested to have their reports submitted by April 19. The next Tides deadline will be April 26, after the Spring Luncheon.
Travel: Joan Sciorra

All but one person, who is traveling, have paid for the New York City trip for April 30-May 3. The return bus trip will include a visit to the Princeton Art Museum which will have a Gainsborough exhibit. On March 22 the Dover OLLI is sponsoring a trip to the National Air and Space Museum. Other trips in planning include an April 18 trip to Wallops Island Space Facility and a trip to Chanticleer Gardens in Wayne PA on June 21.

Old Business: Faculty Fee Waivers previously discussed were proposed for year trial.

Motion: To approve the Faculty Fee Waiver for a year made by Bud Zimmerman.
Second: Paul Collins
Passed unanimously

New Business:

A craft circle, “Comforting Threads” has been proposed by members to make blankets, shawls, wraps, etc., for OLLI members who are ill or in need of “sunshine”. The group would manage the production and distribution of the crafts.

Motion to endorse the Craft Circle made by Sabatino Maglione
Second: Gerri Stephenson
Passed unanimously

Anna Moshier introduced a proposal to offer free membership to existing members who reach the age of 100 years.

Motion: To offer free membership to existing members who reach the age of 100 years made by Paul Collins
Second: Bud Zimmerman
Passed unanimously

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held at Lewes on Wednesday, March 20 at 12:20 p.m.

Motion to adjourn: Pete Feeney
Second: Bud Zimmerman
Passed unanimously

Adjournment: 12:23 p.m.

Kathy Henn
Secretary

*Reports on File