

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

In attendance: Bill Sharkey (chair), Anna Moshier, Peter Feeney, Kathy Henn, Joan Sciorra, Gerri Stephenson, Lynn Kroesen, Bud Zimmerman, Connie Benko, Bob Comeau, Karen Schaub, Sabatino Maglione, Bill Ashmore and Ruth Barnett. Quorum Present.

Bill Sharkey called the meeting to order at 9:59 a. m.

Agenda: The agenda for the Council Meeting for August 19, 2019 was accepted without changes.

Minutes: The Minutes from the June 19, 2019 Lewes OLLI Council Meeting were approved.

Motion to approve: Karen Schaub
Second: Pete Feeney
Passed unanimously

Staff Reports: Anna Moshier

\$1000 was given to the UD students to help fund their exhibit for Coast Day.

Committee Reports:

Scholarship: Sabatino Maglione

Eight applications have been received.

Financial*: Karen Schaub

Karen submitted the OLLI Financial Report for June as well as the OLLI Year-End Finance Report, the Financial Reports Year in Review and the Other Funds Year in Review. She additionally submitted the OLLI Financial Report for July and reported that July is the first month of our new fiscal period. She pointed out that monies that had been moved to the Deferred Fund have been moved back to the appropriate funds. \$25,600 have been reinstated to the Operations Revenue Fund and \$9,160 were returned to the Activities Fund. The names of some funds have been adjusted to provide clarity in identification. Textbooks were purchased from the Gift Fund. The Scholarship Fund is in need of donations. The parameters of the Equipment Fund were discussed.

Academic Affairs: Bud Zimmerman

Fall term enrollment for Sussex County locations of Lewes, Ocean View and Bridgeville is currently reported at 643 members, representing an increase over last year. Catalogs

were delivered to Bethany and Fenwick Chamber of Commerce and additional ones were requested. Four of the 118 courses were cancelled this term.

Pete Feeney: A new art teacher has been found for Ocean View for the spring term and the possibility of a second one is being pursued. The pottery course will meet on Fridays and use a private off-site kiln this semester.

Communications: Lynn Kroesen

The next *Tides* deadline is Friday, October 18. The deadline is set to follow the Home Coming Picnic scheduled for October 15.

Travel: Joan Sciorra

The New York City trip is scheduled for April 21 – April 24, 2020. The motor coach and hotel reservations have been made with no increase in the hotel prices. The sign-up will be scheduled for September. Additional trips will be considered as requests are received.

Social: Connie Benko

Walk-in Registrations held on July 23 and 24 were well attended and Anna Moshier delivered a radio promo on “Talk of Delaware” about the registration program. She plans to do more of them in the future. A registration information table was available on July 29 at the Lewes Library. Future plans will consider a similar table at the Rehoboth Library. The Clear Space performance of Mama Mia was well attended as was the Canal Cruise event which did have a waiting list. Happy Hours are scheduled for September 11 and October 9 at Irish Eyes in Lewes. The annual Home Coming Picnic will take place on October 15. On November 13 a “Meet and Greet” affair will be held at Irish Eyes from 3:30 to 6 p.m. It will feature heavy hors d’oeuvres and a cash bar. The refund from the Atlantic Sands will be used to reduce the costs for this event. Elder Moments and Slow Jazz will be invited to perform. The Committee will meet to work on future plans.

Development: No Report.

Community Relations: Gerri Stephenson

The Rehoboth Cottage Tour was a success. Catalogs were distributed to the Rehoboth Library. An information event was sponsored by The Lodge at Truitt Homestead with whom we hope to partner in the future and who provided OLLI information in their packets for distribution. Library displays are prepared. Coast Day volunteers will be needed for October 6.

Library: Ruth Barnett

Oversized books and dated material will be reviewed and removed to provide more shelf space.

Long Range Planning: Pete Feeney

Council was reminded that the Long Range Plan was complete.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Anna Moshier indicated we plan to partner with Lewes' One Book One Community program scheduled to run from October 6 to March. Participants will read the book, *Birds from the Shore*, by Jennifer Ackerman. Various local organizations will be offering a range of events centered on this book and we plan to hold lectures that will be open to the public and which will serve to promote our own OLLI program as well.

The council decided there were many venues in town holding wellness clinics offering flu shots and blood pressure screenings so it would not be necessary for us to have a Wellness Clinic at the school.

Anna announced that Dover OLLI welcomes to their staff Ted Berlinger who will provide AV Classroom Support.

Anna also announced that Lewes, Ocean View and Dover have all passed their University of Delaware Safety Inspections which included disaster and evacuation plans.

Pete Feeney opened a discussion on acquiring "Smart Boards" for our classrooms. The Council considered pros and cons to Smart Board use as well as costs involved. More research and consultation with experts will be pursued.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held at Lewes on Wednesday, September 18, at 12:20 p.m.

Motion to adjourn: Gerri Stephenson

Second: Bud Zimmerman

Passed unanimously

Adjournment: 10:53 a.m.

Kathy Henn
Secretary

*Reports on File