

**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Delaware  
Council Minutes  
Frederick Thomas Building, Lewes  
January 21, 2020**

In attendance: Bill Sharkey (chair), Anna Moshier, Joan Sciorra, Gerri Stephenson, Peter Feeney, Lynn Kroesen, Bud Zimmerman, Connie Benko, Bob Comeau, Paul Collins, Bill Ashmore, Sabatino Maglione. Quorum Present.

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

Agenda: The agenda for the Council Meeting was accepted without changes.

Minutes: The Minutes from the November 20, 2019 Lewes OLLI Council Meeting were approved.

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

Staff Reports:

Anna asked for approval to renew the subscription to DANA (Delaware Alliance for Nonprofit Advancement). The cost of this item is \$175.

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

Anna Moshier reported that there is still time to register for UD By the Sea but spaces are filling.

Committee Reports:

Scholarship: Sabatino Maglione

Eleven scholarship applications were received.

Academic Affairs: Bud Zimmerman

Bud noted that there are 158 classes offered this semester (this includes Dover), 22 of those are in Ocean View. Enrollment is down slightly this semester.

Communications: Lynn Kroesen – no report

Travel: Joan Sciorra

The New York City trip is a go. All but 2 are paid in full.  
Seventeen people have signed up to go to the May 2<sup>nd</sup> Opera Delaware performance of *The Coronation of Poppea* and 23 for the April 26<sup>th</sup> performance of *The Tales of Hoffmann*.

Development: Paul Collins

The Develop committee will meet Friday; Jan. 24 to plan the "Expanding Horizons" fundraising campaign. The committee will discuss 4 goals 1) get 100% participation; 2) Develop a script for committee members to use when talking in class; 3) Solicit a giving pledge from all Council and committee members—a pledge form is being developed that will be sent to all OLLI members and 4) Remind members to consider the Legacy program. All avenues for funds will be explored including grant writing, local contacts and political contacts.

Community Relations: Gerri Stephenson

The Lewes Historical House Walk went well. Library Displays were set up in Rehoboth, Ocean View, and Milton. OLLI has been asked to participate again in the RAL Rehoboth Beach Cottage Tour in July. She is also attempting to contact the Bethany Beach Cottage Tour to see if they would like to have OLLI docents participate.

Library: Ruth Barnett

Not in attendance

Long Range Planning: Peter Feeney

Pete acknowledged the good work of Paul Collins and the Development Committee in their long range planning for our space requirements.

Financial\*: Karen Schaub

Karen submitted the OLLI Financial Report for November and December 2019. Anna noted that balances are still quite high even though the annual lease payments for the buildings in Dover, Lewes and Ocean View were paid.

Social: Connie Benko

Connie reported that the committee is planning a Mix and Mingle event. It will be on May 6, at St. Jude Catholic Church Social Hall, 4-6 pm. Attendees will be asked to bring heavy hors d'oeuvres or dessert. There will be a Cash Bar. We are hoping to get some donations of beer, wine, and/or sodas. We will need volunteer bartenders. The cost will be \$5.00/member.

The Reception for the Provost visit on Nov. 25, 2019 was quite successful.

The Walk-in Registration on Jan. 8 netted 75 registrations.

The committee will be setting up for the Reception for New Instructors on Jan. 22 at Ocean View and the New member/Instructor Orientation on Jan. 23 in Lewes.

Happy Hours at Irish Eyes in Lewes, 3 - 6:00 pm, are planned for Feb. 5, March 4 and April 1.

The Instructor Buffet Breakfast is planned for May 12 at the Atlantic Sands Ballroom.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Bud Zimmerman announced the nominees for the three vacancies on the Council in 2020. Gerri Stephenson is running for a three-year term. Joan Mansperger and Nicholas Simmonds have been nominated for a three-year term beginning in May.

The next meeting will be held at Trinity Church in Lewes on Monday, February 17, at 10:00 a.m.

Motion to adjourn: Bob Comeau

Second: Bud Zimmerman

Passed unanimously

Adjournment: 10:40 a.m.

Lynn Kroesen  
Substitute Secretary

\*Reports on File