



Council Minutes
February 21, 2023
10:30 - 11:09 a.m.
Via Zoom

Council Members Present: Robert Beaury, Kayla Bell, Jerry Brockett, Felice Gelman, Carmela Gersbeck, Carol Goss, Robert Inghish, Deborah Lanser, Jill Lundquist, Linda LeGendre, Mary McClellan, John Matthews, Michael Weinstock

Call to Order

President Robert Beaury called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the January 17, 2023 Council meeting were approved unanimously.

Secretary Correspondence

Deborah reported that we received no correspondence in the previous month.

Treasurer's Report

Jerry reported total expenses of \$2,613.45 in January, including \$1,500 to renew ProClass. One student received a Senior-to-Senior scholarship of \$625 in January. The budget allows for six recipients, for a total of \$3,750, and it is up to the students to trigger payment. There was no new income in the month of January.

Jerry will present a tentative budget at the annual meeting. He plans to hold a Finance Committee meeting before then.

Nominations and Elections

Mary reported that the ballot has been set with a full slate of candidates. Carmela has been helping her create the ballot, which will be distributed electronically on March 14. The deadline for casting a ballot will be March 28.

Amendment to Bylaws

The revised bylaws can be sent to the membership on March 29, and voting should be completed by April 28.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting will be held on May 12.

Social Events

Robert I reported that Membership Development has been hard at work setting up and publicizing various events. Kim is working on creating an event about Indigenous people, tentatively scheduled for October 9. There may be a speaker and dinner featuring Native American foods. Parkhurst is working up a budget.

Eleanor is coordinating a summer volunteer event at Robert Post Park in Kingston. Irene will organize hospitality. We will need insurance and a food certificate from the caterer, which Robert B will obtain. The tentative date is July 19 from 4 to 6 p.m., with a rain date to be determined.

Twenty-seven LLI members and eight plus-ones have signed up for the Iolanthe reception and concert. There will be a light reception, for which the Fisher Center will provide the prosecco.

Robert has arranged for volunteers to staff a welcome table on the first day of spring classes. Name badges, lanyards, and parking passes will be distributed there. Carmela will put together a document listing all the classroom assignments.

The March newsletter will include an article about the available coffee service for the spring semester.

Website (Update COVID message)

The updated COVID message will be added to the website. The information about the committee structure still needs to be updated.

Policies for Review

Deborah read the following policy for consideration:

ORG 9/21 LLI classes on national holidays will be held unless the Bard College class schedule observes that holiday. Observance of religious holidays that coincide with LLI classes is at the of the class presenter.

Council accepted the policy as written.

Deborah then read the following policy:

ORG 4/22 The opinions and views expressed in the LLI Newsletter are those of the author(s). They do not purport to reflect the opinions or views of LLI or its members. In addition, any link to a website or content belonging to or originating from third parties are not investigated, monitored or checked for accuracy, adequacy, validity, reliability or completeness by LLI, nor does LLI accept any responsibility for such content.

Again, Council accepted the policy as written.

SummerFest

Because there are only five confirmed classes for SummerFest, Linda is looking for ideas and help to develop others. Robert B offered to teach a class if she is stuck.

Adjournment

With the unanimous approval of Council members, Robert B adjourned the meeting at 11:09 a.m.