



Council Minutes
December 18, 2023
9:30am - 10:43am
Via Zoom

Council & Committee Members Present:

Robert Beaury, Jerry Brockett, Lynda Christensen, Carmela Gersbeck, Carol Goss, Robert English, Mary McClellan, Cathy Reinis, Susan Simon, Michael Weinstock, Eleanor Wieder

Guest: Karen Kane

Council & Committee Members Absent: Kayla Bell

Call to Order

President Robert Beaury called the meeting to order at 9:30 am w/introduction of Council Members

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes, Council Meeting November 20, 2023 by Michael, seconded by Carmela, all in favor

Secretary Correspondence

Susan reported:

- no correspondence

Treasurer's Report

Jerry reported:

- There was minimal activity since November meeting
- Report on budget to date (on shared drive)

Tech Training

- Carmela recommends trainings offered by Bard staff member, Karen Homen
Provided class descriptions and class registration links

Business

- Membership fee proposed increase of \$25 (+8.5k for donations to Bard)
Discussion included:
LLI has been spending "less" since 2020
We may need extra funding if/when we need to have classes off campus. Preferable to stay on campus, via LLI's generous donations to Bard. We are "Bard LLI" Bard is not concerned about LLI needing classroom space

There has been no fee increase for at least 7 years, concern about increase especially for couples (same issue raised when tuition went from \$125 to \$175 7 years ago, we do have scholarships available for those in need)

Currently, 55% of LLI tuition is donated to Bard, raising tuition to \$200 annually can also increase LLI donation to Bard

Manage the Bard donations with a list showing what we contributed to and what we plan on contributing to

We should have a fund for social events with more than 100 people that need to be held off-campus

We need to increase our social gathering events - Long range planning group needs to look at this

- ❖ Motion to approve \$25 tuition increase (for fiscal year ending in June '25) by Mary, seconded by Carmela, all in favor
 - ❖ Motion to approve the \$25 increase be used for additional donation to Bard by Carmela, seconded by Lynda, all in favor
 - ❖ Note: This fee increase needs to be voted on by LLI members before the renewal process starts in June '24
- Membership Cap for Fiscal Year Ending in June '25 (currently 350 members)
Council discussed: we are maxed out with this amount, can't be doing much more, does not want to reduce membership when people leave, currently there are approx. 10 students who are Zoom only
 - ❖ Council agrees to leave membership cap at 350

- Copyright Policy

Mary reported: We follow Bard's copyright policy and in order to have presenters understand this policy we should provide them with a "check off" list. All presenters will need to agree they will follow the copyright policy and acknowledge that they were provided with a copy of the policy. This acknowledgement will be added as part of the LLI Course Proposal form.

- ❖ No adjustments are recommended for the Copyright Policy

- Presenter photos

Mary reported: We do need to have non-member presenters sign off that we can use their photo in the LLI catalog

- ❖ Stating that: OK to use photo for "LLI purposes"

- Spring schedule: 3/14-15 to 4/25-26 (note: Bard conference day 4/26)

Mary reported: Due to 4/26 Bard Conference Day, no classrooms are available in Olin Hall that day

Discussion included: We could start the Spring '24 semester 1 week early (3/7) or end 1 week later (5/3)

Weather issue concerns in early March

Bard Spring break is w/o 3/18 - perhaps we could use Olin that week and double up on classes that week

Could do an extra class w/o 3/18, OR do a 6 week program (instead of 7 weeks)

Mary & The Curriculum Committee will review all this in January...stay tuned

- LLI Holiday Party @ Blythewood, 12/19/23 from 6-8pm

Donations FYE 24

CCE (Sanctuary Fund)	\$10,550.
Dean's Discretionary Fund	9,000.
Joan Tower MUS43	1,500.
Fund for Visual Learning	2,500.
Hessel Museum	1,000.
Fisher Center	1,000.
Sr to Sr	3,750. (Spring '24)
EC/HS	2,000. (Spring '24)
Indigenous Peoples' donations	<u>1,200.</u>
	\$32,500

- ❖ Motion to approve donations transfer by Mary, seconded by Lynda, all in favor

Policies for Review

ORG 2/22B Bard LLI uses Google Workspace for Education for all committees and team communications and records. G Suite tools allow collaboration and coordination among and between committees and teams.

G Suite includes Shared Drives with appropriate permissions, Google Docs, Google Sheets, Google Slides, and other G Suite applications.

Reference documents, training, and coaching are provided to all members who need to access G Suite files

- Upon review, it is decided there is not a need to make any changes

PROG 05/19. Video and/or audio recording must be approved by the Council and the Presenter. Requests must include the reasons for recording, and any copyrighted material must be used in accordance with the copyright policy of Bard College. Any approved photography, video, or audio recording must be done as unobtrusively as possible.

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Reports on File:

Vice Presidents' reports	Mary McClellan and Carol Goss
Curriculum	Mary McClellan
Governance - Finance	Jerry Brocket
Membership Development	Robert English
Program Support	Carmela Gersbeck
<i>Planning and Evaluation</i>	
DEI/Social Justice Team	Laura Brown and Barbara Danish
Communications Team	Cathy Reinis

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting by Carmela, seconded by Lynda - all in favor
Robert adjourned the meeting at 10:43am

Next LLI Council Meeting: January 16, 2024 @ 9:30am/Zoom

Submitted by,
Susan Simon, Secretary