



Council Minutes
September 18, 2023
9:30am - 10:22am
Via Zoom

Council & Committee Members Present:

Robert Beaury, Kayla Bell, Lynda Christensen, Carmela Gersbeck, Carol Goss, Mary McClellan, Susan Simon, Michael Weinstock, Eleanor Wieder

Council & Committee Members Absent: Jerry Brockett, Robert English
Linda LeGendre (leave of absence)

Call to Order

President Robert Beaury called the meeting to order at 9:30 am

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes, Council Meeting August 21, 2023 by Carmela, seconded by Mary, unanimously approved

Secretary Correspondence

Susan reported:

- There is no new correspondence to report
- Mail forwarding will be submitted to PO by 9/20/23

Treasurer's Report

Jerry was absent, Robert reported:

- July & August financial reports posted on shared drive
- Some changes need to be made to the September report before it's posted
- Jerry is still concerned about Bard's reporting process
- Summer event expenses haven't been booked yet
- Robert & Jerry continue to try to schedule a meeting with the Bard Accounting Supervisor

Tech Training

Carmela reported:

- Several Council members participated in Google Docs training session
- Carmela demonstrated what she learned about copying, renaming & moving docs on our Council drive
- ***Sign up for the Bard Google training classes!!***

Business

- Linda LeGendre is on a leave of absence and Mary has been appointed as interim Chair of Curriculum Committee

First Day on Zoom and on Campus

- Carmela received the reviews about LLI Fall Semester first day on Zoom and first day on Campus & is handling (a few) Course Manager requests

Meal Tickets

- Discussion about Kline Commons & 'meal tickets' policy - Robert will be discussing w/management and will informing us about it all

Bard Event on Friday 9/22

"After Chinua Achebe: African Writing and the Future" (starting at 2pm in Weis Cinema)

- We were just notified about this event on 9/17
- Discussion about MailChimp notifications and how we deal with members - Do we send out too Many MailChimps - No! There have been no complaints about the frequency. Council does not see any issues in sending several MailChimps to members notifying them about all the great and interesting events happening
- MailChimp notification will be sent today 9/18 for the 9/22 event

Marist event/invitation

- An example of a non-Bard LLI event that qualifies for an exception

Family & Alumni/nae Weekend 10/27/23

- Event starts at 4pm which could make LLI class parking more difficult in the late afternoon for the 10/27 Friday classes
- Will put in Newsletter and class manager emails to participants

Policies for Review

PROG 01/13-A. Presenters may promote to their class members. Presenters may provide, to those attending their classes, a list of their upcoming scheduled events, shows, etc. Additionally, class members may sign up to be placed on the presenter's list to receive emails regarding events, shows, etc.

- Council members feel no changes are necessary & noted in Policy Manual

ORG 12/12. Former LLI members are not given priority for membership when reapplying for membership

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PROG 09/22. LLI will publicize only events directly related to LLI or Bard. LLI will not advertise other events or organizations, including those sponsored by members or presenters. Death notices of LLI members will be briefly mentioned in the newsletter under the heading “In Memoriam,” with links to the member’s obituary if available.

Exceptions may be made when a timely written request for approval to disseminate information about a program, event, or course is submitted to P and E for discussion and recommendation to Council for final approval, directly by an LLI committee or team. Draft language for the proposed communication shall be included in the request.

- Discussion tabled until October 16, 2023 Council meeting
- Mary will review exceptions for better languaging

DRAFT Consequences Policy:

ORG 9/23 Members and guests are expected to follow LLI’s policies. If a member or guest fails to follow any of these policies and upon a written complaint delivered to the President, the President shall give notice of the complaint to the member or guest and Council. As soon as practicable, Council shall discuss the complaint and decide on the appropriate course of action, which within Council’s sole discretion, **by majority vote**, may include a written warning, a suspension of a member’s participation in any committee or team or the prohibition of a member’s or guest’s opportunity to present, or termination of membership. The President shall notify the member or guest of the decision of Council.

- Reviewed & considering for discussion at October 16, 2023 Council meeting
- See ORG 4/23 for reference

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting by Susan, seconded by Carmela
Robert adjourned the meeting at 10:22am

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Simon
Secretary