



Council Minutes
July 15, 2024
9:30am - 10:57am
Via Zoom

Council & Committee Members Present:

Robert Beaury, Lynda Christensen, Carmela Gersbeck, Carol Goss, Robert Inghish, Karen Kane, Mary McClellan, Cathy Reinis, Susan Simon, Michael Weinstock, Eleanor Wieder
Guests: Jerry Brockett, Jill Lundquist

Council & Committee Members Absent: Kayla Bell

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 June 17, 2024 by Carmela, seconded by Linda, all in favor

Secretary Correspondence

Susan reported:

- no postal mail received, shared an email re: musical presentation

Treasurer's Report

- Thank you to Jerry for staying an extra month to finish June, 2024 financial reporting
- Although memberships fees were collected in June, 2024, they are accounted for 2024-25 budget, \$68,350 received (fee payment deadline is 6/28), \$1,400 scholarships granted
- 2023-24 result is -\$472 which is really a "break even" which was expected

Tech Training

Carmela reported:

- Every month the tech team is being trained in something new with ProClass

Business

- Renewals & New Members - We have 350 members
- Fall Semester Dates - 6 weeks in-person sessions/Classrooms set
Zoom can be a 7 week session should the presenter choose so
- Needs to consider for fall semester - no vax verification necessary
Robert I reported new members can receive their names badges at the Summer Picnic, at the Campus Tour, or will be mailed to them so they have it for the first day of class

- Annual Survey (results)
Mary reported that it's on the shared drive - if there are any questions or issues please contact her ASAP so it will be ready for Deborah Lanser to include in the next LLI Newsletter
There were no surprises in the survey answers. Many members don't understand the LLI class size "constrictions." They need to have an understanding that Bard is not a "big" university, we don't have large lecture halls, rather, a more intimate setting
- The 60's Picnic (update) Robert Post Park, Wednesday July 24, 5-7pm
Robert I. reported that location, food, beverages are all set and he will send invites to the Spring '24 presenters
- Orientation 9/4/24 (update)
 1. Lunch following campus tours @ Kline (from 1-3pm) will cost \$12 per person.
Discussed should new members be comped? (There are 55 new members although not all attend the tour). We are not serving refreshments before the tours. Sitting at tables enables everyone to converse easily and it was suggested that tables also include current members. Everyone likes the idea for LLI to pay for the lunch
 2. Blithewood Holiday Party - Considered an alternative but everyone loves the venue.
We've been able to accommodate 90-115 guests and Parkhurst can cater the event.
Considering having the member only event on 12/5.
 3. Should we incorporate as a 501c3 nonprofit? Discussion results: No, it's too complicated. (and, we are completely covered under Bard College for insurance)
- Welcome Back Luncheon 9/25/24 12 noon
It will be at Montgomery Place
- P&E 25th Anniversary Celebration (update)
Eleanor has a committee meeting scheduled on 7/26
- Presenter Recognition
Carmela suggests we do more for presenter recognition/thank you.
Mary said she would include & invite presenters to the Curriculum Team luncheon

A - New Proposed Policies for Review

- 1. Joining Committee and Team Meetings**
Discussed & made slight revisions to this new policy, titled ORG 07/24
Motion to adopt policy: Carmela, seconded: Mary All in Favor
- 2. Attendance at In-Person Classes**
Tabled - for further discussion

Existing Policies for Review

- **ORG 06/22**
Adjustment made, four exceptions to admission lottery, adding current, former, or retired Bard faculty as priority applicants

- **ORG 04/23**
No changes

- **PROG 07/20**
Adjustment made, allowing presenters to bring two guests (was one) to attend their class each week.
Motion to approve adjustment: Carmela, seconded by Lynda, All in favor

- **PROG 10/18**
No changes

Reports on File:

Vice Presidents' reports	Carol Goss VP2 and Mary McClellan VP1
Curriculum	Mary McClellan
Governance - Finance	N/A
Membership Development	Robert English
Program Support	Carmela Gerbeck
CCE Liaison Report	Jill Lundquist
DEI/Social Justice Team	No report
Communications Team	No report

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting by Michael, seconded by Carmela - all in favor
Robert adjourned the meeting at 10:57am

Next LLI Council Meeting: August 19, 2024 @ 9:30am/Zoom

Submitted by,
Susan Simon, Secretary