



Council Minutes
March 17, 2025
9:00am - 10:27am
Via Zoom

Council & Committee Members Present:

Robert Beury, Kayla Bell, Lynda Christensen, Carmela Gersbeck, Robert English,
Karen Kane, Mary McClellan, Cathy Reinis, Susan Simon, Michael Weinstock, Eleanor Wieder
Guests: Jill Lundquist

Council & Committee Members Absent: Carol Goss

Call to Order

President Robert Beury called the meeting to order at 9:00 am

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes, Council Meeting February 18, 2025 by Carmela,
seconded by Mary, All in favor

Secretary Correspondence

Susan reported:

- No postal mail received, all emails received will continue to be forwarded to appropriate Council Member

Treasurer's Report

Will be discussed during tentative budget

Tech Training

Carmela reported:

- Trained Class & Session Managers on procedures, would like to get Class Managers more involved in handling their tech
- Will set up a session for Council on utilizing Google Drives

Business

Mary:

- Election Results
 - Less than 50% of the membership voted
 - It was a tight race for the 2 Member-At-Large positions - Eleanor Weider re-elected and Chuck Mishaan elected

Mary:

- Pre-Registration Survey Results
 - 130 members took the survey, 125 participated in pre-registration, 122 were able to get into their 1st or 2nd choice class
 - 107 members support the pre-registration feature, 23 do not, although many were grateful to have this feature
 - We need greater participation from members when we ask for feedback, any opinion is OK
 - SummerFest will be used as a pilot for new pre-registration revisions
- Spring Semester (Update)
 - Opening of semester went very well - total enrollment approx. 300
- Fall Semester Dates
 - On Campus semester will begin on Friday, September 5th and run for 6 consecutive weeks - no gaps between classes
 - Zoom classes - more discussions taking place re: start date

Robert B:

- Approve revised Bylaws for release to membership for vote
 - Bylaws team: Carol, Grace, Robert B. provided revisions for Council review
 - Discussed revisions: Articles I IV, V, VI, VII
 - A .pdf will be sent to members for review
 - Members will vote on revisions ($\frac{2}{3}$ voting members needed)
- Motion to approve Bylaws revisions, to be sent to members for their vote by Carmela, seconded by Mary, All in favor

Mary:

- Set Date for Annual Meeting
 - Olin Hall & Atrium - confirmed reservation for 5/15/25
 - There is no Council meeting in May (Annual Meeting instead)

Karen:

- Tentative Budget (discuss and adopt) (Preliminary in April)
 - Presented financials to date - on our way to achieving 2024-25 budget goals
 - Tentative budget is at a \$5,000 deficit due to costs increases and our anniversary party in July
 - Discussions about how to handle the deficit, including charging a nominal fee for events, utilizing more of our unallocated (“reserve”) funds, reducing number of events in 2025-26, reallocating funds between categories, other ways to keep budget in line
 - Changes noted on tentative budget

Motion to accept tentative budget as discussed & revised by Mary, seconded by Michael, All in favor - Preliminary budget will be presented at our April meeting for approval.

Eleanor:

- P&E 25th Anniversary Celebration (update)
 - Worked on slight revisions
 - Guests to include non-member 2024-25 full class presented, 21 Bard staff (as suggested by Council), 1 Marist LLI President

Robert B:

- Discussed collaboration with Marist LLI classes
 - Schedule an in-person meeting/"Meet & Greet" on 6/11 or 12

Existing Policies For Review

- **FIN 11/22A** Eliminated ..."based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee" since there is no longer a Finance Committee.

Motion to revise FIN 11/22A by Carmela, seconded by Mary, All in favor

- **FIN 11/22B** Eliminated ..."based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee" since there is no longer a Finance Committee.

Motion to revise FIN 11/22B by Mary, seconded by Carmel, All in favor

- **PROG 07/20**
No Changes

Reports on File:

Vice Presidents' reports
Curriculum Committee
Governance - Finance
Membership Development
Program Support
CCE Liaison Report
DEI/Social Justice Team
Communications Team
P&E Committee

Mary McClellan, VP1 and Carol Goss, VP2
Mary McClellan
Karen Kane
Robert English
Carmela Gersbeck
Jill Lundquist

Eleanor Weider

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting by Susan, seconded by Carmela - all in favor
Robert adjourned the meeting at 10:27am

Next LLI Council Meeting: Monday, April 21, 2025 @ 9:30am/Zoom

Submitted by,
Susan Simon, Secretary