



Council Minutes
March 18, 2024
9:30am - 10:51am
Via Zoom

Council & Committee Members Present:

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

Guests: Karen Kane, Jill Lundquist

Council & Committee Members Members Absent: Kayla Bell, Lynda Christensen, Eleanor Wieder

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 February 20, 2024 by Michael, seconded by Carol, all in favor

Secretary Correspondence

Susan reported:

- no postal mail received

Treasurer's Report

Jerry reported:

- Will discuss budgeting during "Budget Season" segment

Tech Training

Carmela reported:

- Karen Homan's sessions are getting very good reviews, each session is 1 hour

Budget Season

Jerry reported:

- LLI 2024-25 Preliminary Budget is available in the Council Meeting/March 2024 file
- A budget workshop was held during which the prelim budget was prepped, based on the 2023-24 finances and the projections for 2024-25 there aren't any "major" changes
- Budget Scenerio 1 has LLI dues remaining at \$175, x 350 members would bring in \$61,250
- Budget Scenerio 2 has LLI dues being raised to \$200, x350 members would bring in \$70,000 which would enable us to increase our Bard donations
- Council will vote on the preliminary budget at the April 15th meeting
- Members will vote to approve the budget at the May 16th meeting

Election

Mary reported results:

- Everyone running got elected
- Look into having 3 people licensed on Survey Monkey (currently Carmela is registered), will they offer a group rate? Survey Monkey could and should be used much more

Spring Semester Update

Mary reported:

- Going well, although there were too many last minute changes that occurred
- At the Curriculum meeting on 3/19, the committee will go into more depth about procedures what is expected of each person, how aware are they of the procedures, possible ways to get more people registered - perhaps presenters can give a 2nd class
- Carmela will provide registration training
- Carmela will be sending the LLI application to Council for review at next month's meeting: Presenters need to be trained about the AV equipment (by the Bard AV team), schedule presentation run throughs, etc

Parking on Campus Update

Robert reported:

- He spoke with the Bard Director of Security re: Main Lot "crackdown"
- This DOES NOT apply to LLI Members, it is for Bard students who don't register their vehicles
- Be sure to display your parking tag!
- (Note: on 3/20 Robert sent out Parking on Campus update)

Upcoming Events

Robert and Robert I reported:

- Hudson River Valley Institute event on 3/27 @ Marist - discussed approval to share invite w/LLI members Motion to approve: Carmela, Seconded: Mary, All in favor
- Sr to Sr Tea on 4/5 at RKC, no registration required
- Fisher Center, Tour, reception and concert on 4/7 starting at 11:30am - tickets are available
- Annual Survey will be activated from 5/12 to 5/19
- Hessel Exhibition @ 1pm - date choices are Wednesday 5/15, Thursday 5/16 or Wednesday 5/22, most agree on the 22nd
- Annual Meeting: May 16th 8:30am-12:30pm/Olin Hall - discussed should we have music or a speaker - agreed on music
- Robert Post summer picnic: Wednesday, 7/24 @ 5-7pm Permit application has been submitted - discussed this year's theme (Note: it will probably be a 1960 theme)
- Fall Orientation & Member Luncheon - date TBA

Request for Donation:

- TedX Bard Conference 2025 - detailed letter received from Emily O'Rourke on behalf of the student organizers of the next conference requesting a donation
- Discussed event & donation amount - Motion by Carmela to donate \$500, Seconded by Mary, All in Favor

Policies for Review:

FIN 11/22B. Any cash reserve requirements for LLI accounts shall be determined annually by Council based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee. *(Was FIN 11/13, revised to FIN 11/22B in November '22)*

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

ORG 06/22. Admission to LLI is by lottery with three exceptions: applicants who were presenters in the previous academic year, applicants who are scheduled to present a course in the upcoming academic year, and applicants who have critical skills needed to run LLI and who qualify for and are committed to a specific task or priority. *(rewritten June, 2022) **Reviewed in December '22 After some discussion, Council agreed that spouses will not receive special consideration for admission. Given the crowding issues, we may need to reconsider the maximum number of LLI members. The policy stands.*

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Reports on File:

Vice Presidents' reports	Carol Goss VP2/ Mary McClellan VP1
Curriculum	Mary McCellan
<i>Governance - Finance</i>	
Membership Development	Robert English
Program Support	Carmela Gersbeck
<i>LRP/ Planning and Evaluation</i>	Eleanor Wieder
DEI/Social Justice Team	Laura Brown and Barbara Danish
Communications Team	

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting by Susan, seconded by Michael - all in favor
Robert adjourned the meeting at 10:51am

Next LLI Council Meeting: April 15, 2024 @ 9:30am/Zoom

Submitted by,
Susan Simon, Secretary