

# Board of Directors Meeting Date: July 24, 2023 8:00 AM – STEM Center Board Room and Zoom

Members present: Julia Wallace (President), Kris Lewins (Treasurer), Kay Pascoe (Secretary), Mary Cook (Publicity and Promotions), Gary Hanna (Technology), Steve Lenz (Curriculum), Jean Rausch (Curriculum: Man/Sh), Liz Kohler (Curriculum: Man/Sh), Karen Carvenough (Social), Lou Norsetter (At-Large), Rob Miller (At-Large), Teri Zuege-Halverson (Advisor), Heidi Jahnke (Program Specialist), Fred Delie (Past President).

Members excused: Norm Schroeder, Dean Cherry, Mary Gajeski

Guests: Sue Sorenson

The meeting was called to order by President Julia Wallace at 8:07 am. Each member briefly introduced themselves.

- 1. Changes to Agenda
  - There were none.
- 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - Moved by Steve Lenz, second by Gary Hanna to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting of May 22, 2023. Motion carried.
- 3. Treasurer's Report/Finance Committee Kris Lewins
  - June revenues totaled \$6,900 from travel registrations and catalog sales. June expenditures totaled \$8,368.95. There were no unusual expenses. Payroll is down as we were not charged for health insurance this month and we were not charged for Teri's services. There were some travel expenses, a food service bill for the Annual Meeting and computer support charges. A reversal for an erroneous charge of \$964 was made in June. There will be an additional charge for using USI software beyond the original stop date that will probably show up in August or September.
  - The Foundation received \$1,592 in donations in the last quarter. The current Foundation balance is \$18,460 and the Scholarship balance is \$265. Contributors can specify if their contribution should go to the Program Fund or Scholarship Fund.
  - Our June cash balance is \$42,160 and is in balance with WISER.
  - Moved by Kay Pascoe, seconded by Karen Carvenough to approve the Treasurer's Report.
     Motion carried.

- 4. Advisor/Office Manager Report Teri Zuege-Halverson and Heidi Jahnke
  - We are not yet on-line with the new software but that should happen today or tomorrow. It was
    necessary to extend the use of USI software for approximately one month to the CECE division
    and LLI will be responsible for a small part of that charge. Data is being entered and training is
    ongoing.
  - The History of the Packer's Certificate Program is now up and running and 35 people have already signed up. The program includes a pass to the Packer Hall of Fame but the class will be on-line.
  - Some work is going on in the new system and all courses should be entered within the next couple of days so testing can start. The new program will be much more user friendly but there are some differences. Courses will be listed by start date order rather than number order. There is also a search function that can be utilized. An e-mail will be sent with instructions. Registration begins at 10 am Tuesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>. Eventually there will be more user-friendly functions such as a portal that gives access to handouts, zoom links, class history, etc. Heidi is testing the payment option as a new credit card processor is also being used. Gary noted that many of our members are not tech savvy and will need step-by-step instructions. Heidi will prepare instructions to be sent out prior to registration.
  - The Peninsula Players bus trip is this coming Wednesday and the pick-up will be in the Wood Hall parking lot. Dinner will be at the Log Den.
  - Teri will be presenting at the noon Rotary luncheon on August 10<sup>th</sup> and will be promoting LLI.

## 6. Vice President's Report – Norm Schroeder

• Norm was not in attendance but had contacted Julia in regard to using his tent for ArtFest. At this point, another tent has been procured.

#### 7. President's Report – Julia Wallace

- Julia has sent a list to Heidi of changes that need to be made to our website. Changes needed must be made before September 1<sup>st</sup> after which the entire university website will be overhauled.
- The MOU between LLI and CECE has been signed and is now current.
- By-law changes were approved at the Annual Meeting.

#### 8. Committee Reports

- Publicity and Promotions Committee –Mary Cook
  - The Intro to LLI was held last Wednesday and was not well-attended. This is the first time it was held on campus and the lowest turnout we have ever had. Approximately 20 people attended and 8 stayed for the campus tour. The program went very well but we felt there was a failure to communicate this event to the public. Facebooks boosts, which are costly and have been effective before, did not contain the date of the event. Most of the attendees noted that word of mouth was how they heard about the Intro.

- We feel that we do not have enough effective communication with the University to get word out for our events and this is becoming a considerable problem.
- There was considerable discussion about problems with the website and communication between LLI and the university staff responsible for publicity and promotions. Rob Miller noted that, as an At-Large representative, he cannot adequately do his job because members do not know who he is or how to contact him. Given the state of our website, it is functionally impossible to communicate with members through the website. It was noted that the website needs to be kept current and needs to promote contributions by members (financial and time). The current situation is not workable for us. The university is very proprietary concerning the website and this lack of flexibility makes it difficult for us to promote events as out timeline in not always in sync with the University's. There is more flexibility when it comes to Facebook but many members are not on Facebook. We are also investigating other sources of publicity. P&P will continue to look into this.
- O We will be participating in ArtFest this weekend. Our booth will be up Saturday and Sunday. We will not staff the booth Friday night. We are still looking for volunteers for several shifts. Potential members will be able to sign up for a drawing for a free membership. Names collected at ArtFest will be combined with those collected at the Intros in Green Bay and Manitowoc. That drawing will be done on Monday prior to registration.
- We will also be doing ArtStreet the last full week-end of August.

#### • Curriculum: Steve Lenz

- The Fall Catalog is now out and is on the website. There are 196 courses in the catalog.
- Kick-Off for recruiting for Spring Semester (Jan. 15 May 31) has begun and the deadline for course proposals is Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. There will be no classes on May 1<sup>st</sup> due to the Spring Fling or on Memorial Day. We are hoping to have more Zoom classes during the winter. Presenters are being asked if they are willing to do both in-person and Zoom classes. At this time, we do not have the necessary equipment to film a live class and then offer it on-line, especially in remote venues. We are also limited in the amount of space available to keep Zoom recorded classes.
- Liz and Jean noted that there was a good turnout for the Intros in Manitowoc and Sheboygan, possibly due to people stopping at the LLI booth at the Farmer's Market and numerous e-mails being sent out. They also have some new leads for presenters.

## • Technology Committee – Dean Cherry/Gary Hanna

 Gary noted that he will be attending both Coordinators Training sessions to help with technology training. He will be reassuring coordinators that the technology is safe and easy to use and IT support is available. Classes are for new coordinators but any coordinator wanting a review is welcome.

- Social Karen Carvenough
  - There were six new members at the Social Committee meeting in July. It was a very enthusiastic group and she is very hopeful of getting a new chair before the year ends.
  - The Fall Kick-Off will be held at The Rite Place and the cost will be \$19 per person, including desert.

### 9. Old Business

• There was none.

#### 10. New Business

Rob's concerns with the website were discussed earlier in the meeting.

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 am.

Next meeting: **8:00** am, Monday, August 28, 2023, in the STEM Center Board Room. A Zoom link will also be available.

Minutes submitted by Kay Pascoe, Secretary.