

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Delaware
Kent/Sussex Counties Council Minutes
Via Zoom
October 17, 2022

In attendance: Connie Benko, Chair. Susan Salkin, Vice Chair. Paul Collins, Executive Secretary. Staff: Sally Cole, OLLI Kent/Sussex Program Manager. Stephen Forestieri, Program Coordinator. Voting Committee Members: Karen Schaub, Finance Chair; Paul Collins, Development Chair; Joan Mansperger, Academic Affairs Co-Chair; Lee Stanford, Membership Co-Chair; Nick Simmonds, Strategic Planning Chair; Deb Roberts, Academic Affairs Co-Chair; Marge Felty, Social Co-Chair; and Trudie Thompson, Social Co-Chair. Non-Voting Members: Katherine Henn, Recording Secretary; Lynn Kroesen, Catalog/Communications Co-Chair; Beth Jelich, Travel Co-Chair; Rosemary Engle, Membership Co-Chair; Joan Sciorra, Travel Co-Chair; Wendy Leicht, Catalog/Communications Co-Chair; Madeleine Nichols, Library Chair; Peter Harrigan, Marketing and Communications Chair; and Carol West, Community Relations Co-Chair. Quorum was present.

Connie Benko called the meeting to order at 8:00 a. m.

The Agenda was approved.

Minutes: The Minutes for the OLLI Kent/Sussex Council Meeting of September 19, 2022 were approved.

Motion to Approve: Joan Mansperger
Second: Karen Schaub
Passed Unanimously

Staff Reports:

Sally Cole: The Manager's Report was submitted in writing prior to the meeting. Questions were invited but none were raised.

Committee Reports

Committee Reports were filed in advance of the Meeting. No Committee presented motions requiring Council approval. Committees were thanked for their prompt reporting. The On-line Committee is focusing on distance viewing and continues to seek a volunteer to serve as Vice-Chair for the coming year. They are having a meeting at the end of the week. Social: a Happy Hour is scheduled for October 20 at The Wheelhouse in Lewes from 4 to 6 p.m. Council Members thanked all who made the Fall Picnic held in Lewes at the American Legion facility so wonderful. A Happy Hour will be held October 27th from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Fraizer's in Dover. Community Relations noted a change in the submitted report as we will not be participating in the Expo 55 this year due to the registration charges. Members consulted felt it was not cost effective in terms of gaining new members. A system for tracking what activities do result in increasing membership

was suggested. Council members offered various avenues for tracking such as a query on the registration forms as to where the new registrant heard about OLLI, and/or adding that question to the Course Evaluation Form, or in the weekly on-line Updates.

Marketing Committee: A meeting was held last Tuesday. The committee plans use a purchased mailing list of residents over 50 years old who have moved to Delaware in the last two years and mail them our brochure. A URL for a free gift will be offered to those who sign in and register for new membership. Sign in responses will be recorded. The Committee was thanked for the articles placed in the Cape Gazette and Delaware News. Finances for September were posted and noted to be routine. Questions were entertained but none were offered.

Old Business:

Fall 2022 Revenue Split: Finalization is still in progress and expected to be resolved at the end of the week. A quick Zoom meeting will be held for voting members to review and approve the Revenue Split early next week.

New Business:

A Membership Meeting Council-wide with a dual hybrid format is under consideration for early in 2023.

Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 18 at 2 p.m.

Adjournment: 8:21 a. m.

Katherine Henn
Recording Secretary