

Senior College at Belfast Board of Trustees February 15, 2017, Approved Meeting Minutes

The President called the February 15, 2017, meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

Absent: Bailly, Bettler, Jessup, Kaiserian, Ruberti, Taber

Minutes of the January meeting: The minutes of the January 11, 2017, meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report: In the absence of the treasurer, the report was noted.

Other reports

Remarks by the President: Apropos a new business item below, Larson noted that the Hutchinson Center decides whether to close due to severe weather on the basis of projected road conditions as of 6:30 a.m. of the day in question.

Curriculum Committee: Nation reported that the Spring Course Catalog is ready, listing 13 six week courses and 3 one day courses. Looking ahead we have 3 one day courses possible for the summer session, and 8 probable six week courses in the fall.

Special Events Committee: The first event will be attending a presentation of "The Papermaker" at the Penobscot Theatre on March 19.

Finance Committee: Should the need ever arise, Jim Owen is checking on alternative locations for us.

Community Service Committee: Report attached to the agenda noted, with one item taken up under new business below.

Archives Committee: No report

Membership & Publicity Committee: Three people have joined the committee, our current literature will be reviewed, and the use of Facebook to augment our local publicity will be considered.

Nominating Committee: Boyer reported that Larson, Taber, and Boyer have agreed to continue to serve in their current offices, Kaiserian will relinquish the position as vice-president, but continue to serve on the board. We need but one new board member this coming year and a candidate for the vice-presidency.

Registrar: Garrett reported that we now have 458 members and 8 already enrolled in ten different classes in the spring term.

Unfinished Business

Non-discrimination Policy: Report attached to the agenda was discussed and the following motion was approved unanimously: *The Senior College at Belfast does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, ethnicity, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, mental or physical disability, genetic information, or any other basis prohibited by applicable law.*

New Business

1. The Community Service Committee request to include a direct link to the Aging Well in Waldo County survey was unanimously rejected.
2. A book ordering proposal which would be incorporated into online course registration was put on hold.
3. A discussion of severe weather procedures resulted in a decision to cancel the February 16 class sessions due to the weather forecast, but a formal change of our current handbook policy was postponed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 a.m. **The next board meeting will be March 8, 2017.**

David Boyer, Secretary