

## Senior College at Belfast Board Meeting, June 10, 2020, 2nd Draft Zoom Minutes

**Call to Order:** The president called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. **Absent:** Jarvella

**Guests:** Beth Sterner, Deirdre Good, Al Arthur

**Approval of minutes:** The minutes of the May 13, 2020, Zoom meeting were accepted.

**Approval of emailed reports from committees:** The treasurer noted that we should clear \$4,000 at the end of the year, and the financial report was accepted, as was the report of the Curriculum Committee.

**Report of Nominating Committee:** Acting committee chair Pete Reilly reported.

**Board Nominations:** Along with the nomination of current board members John Economy for election to his second three-year term, appointee Brenda Smith for her first three-year term, and appointee Jim Owen to his first three-year term, the new candidates will be Beth Sterner and Deirdre Good.

**Officer Nominations:** Nancy Perkins (President), Martha Laitin (Vice President), Brenda Smith (Treasurer), Rebecca Jessup (Secretary).

**Committee Chair:** Next year's Nominating Committee chair TBD.

**Personnel Issues:** Martha Laitin and Elisabeth Pollock will meet about securing a replacement for the resigning Internal Website Manager.

### Main Discussion:

**Face-to-face fall courses:** Decision has been deferred until the July 8, 2020, board meeting.

**Current/Potential Online Curriculum:** Two successful summer courses (no fee) have been completed and two more are to be offered. Currently there are ten courses which could be offered face-to-face this fall. External Website Manager Al Arthur reported that there are too many complications to permit recording these classes.

**2021 Financial Budget:** The number of issues that cannot now be decided means a full budget cannot be prepared. By consensus it was decided to proceed with a rolling budget, and to have neither an annual appeal or a "corona appeal".

**Pricing of Online Courses:** A proposal will be presented at the July 8, 2020, meeting for the fee structure of these courses. This report will cover the range of courses from one day to six weeks.

**Marketing:** Consensus decision to cancel serving cookies and coffee until resumption of a full return to normal course scheduling.

**Hutchinson Center Lease:** We still have not had a written response to the questions around leasing during the pandemic.

### Other Business:

**Annual Meeting:** Planning will proceed for an Annual Meeting via Zoom, utilizing the polling function for our votes on agenda items. No absentee ballots will be provided..

**Other:** Questions concerning the creation of an ex officio position on the board without a prior amendment to the bylaws led to a motion for a written proposal to be brought to the July meeting which will be a formal motion to change the bylaws to increase the board size to sixteen, and to create as that sixteenth trustee an appointed ex officio position for the External Website Manager, that position to include voting rights. This motion for the preparation of the written proposal was approved with but two against and no abstentions.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m. **Next Zoom meeting is July 8, 2020, at 9:30 a.m.**

David Boyer [last official duty before resigning from the Board on June 13, 2020]