

Senior College of Belfast Board Meeting July 8, 2020 Zoom Minutes

Call to Order: President Pete Reilly called the meeting to order.

Absent: Jessup

Approval of minutes: The minutes of the June 10 meeting were accepted.

Approval of reports from committees: Brenda Smith gave a brief overview of the current budget and her Treasurer's report was approved. The **Finance Committee** will meet to create a revised rolling budget after decisions are made at today's board meeting concerning fall course income.

Nominating Committee: Pete Reilly, acting chair, will prepare a list of 3 new nominees, an appointed member who will complete a term, and second term board members for membership vote at the Annual Meeting in September. The officers nominated are Nancy Perkins, President; Martha Laitin, Vice President; Brenda Smith, Treasurer; Rebecca Jessup, Secretary. Election of officers will be held at the September Board meeting following the Annual Meeting.

Personnel: Martha Laitin has agreed to serve as Internal Website Manager.

Main Discussion:

A motion was made and seconded to **cancel fall face-to-face classes** at the Hutch. After discussion a vote was taken. All in favor with one opposed. Motion carried. Pete will send a letter to the Hutch indicating our decision and remind them that we will not pay rent (except for our office space) if we do not hold classes there.

Curriculum Committee report given by chair Nancy Perkins showed although members enrolled for June (free) classes via Zoom, a number of them did not "attend". Pete's class in July had 108 enrolled. No classes scheduled for August, but 13 classes are planned (nine are confirmed) via Zoom for the fall. Six are 6-session classes, one is a 5-session class; one is a 3-session class, and one is a 1-session class. Several members have trained as Zoom hosts to assist in classes.

A motion was made and passed to adopt the following **course pricing** schedule for the fall term, re-visiting the question for the winterim. One-session class, \$10; Two to four-session class, \$15; five to six-session class, \$20. Membership will remain at \$25 and there will be no limit in number of classes one can take. Using Zoom we have the capability to present up to five classes at one time, so classes will be offered Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in the fall. Residents of Tall Pines, Crosby Manor, Penobscot Shores sitting in a socially distanced group can join a class, an idea piloted by Pete Reilly in his July class.

Marketing for fall classes will be done in a news release for "Senior College On-line".

Other Business: Committee reports should be sent to Pete Reilly by August 1 for Annual Meeting presentation. **The Annual Meeting** will be held via Zoom on Thursday, September 24 at noon using a polling function for voting.

A discussion and decision about contributing to a non-profit will be on August's agenda. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am.

Next meeting: August 12

Respectfully submitted by acting secretary, Martha Laitin

