

**ICLRU Board Meeting**  
**Minutes – May 18, 2015**  
11:30 AM

Attendees: Steve Wolf, Kathie Newsted, Sue Masterson, Sue Harty, Debby Miller, Selwyn Schwartz and John Wiese

Absent: Don Carlson and Cathy Jensen

Guests: Henrietta Leary and LaRaye Rodriguez

- I. Call to Order / Confirmation of Quorum was performed by President, Steve Wolf
- II. Comments from the President  
Steve Wolf welcomed the board members.
- III. Debby Miller moved that the April 2015 Minutes be approved without change, except for the corrected spelling of Stonegate). Sue Harty 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion carried.
- IV. Carol Keegan Memorial Donations, Steve Wolf  
ICLRU expects that the student award 2014 donation will come to fruition in late May or early June. The Pharmacy College awarded the scholarship to the winning applicant. Our scholarship was folded into a group of scholarships that were awarded. As for the 2015 donation, Cathy Jensen and Henrietta Leary will research options, such as a lecture or event on a subject of interest to Carol, such as women's studies.
- V. ICLR/ Harper College Civil War Symposium Planning, Sue Harty  
Harper College will provide:
  - a. The venue and parking (with handicapped spaces available)
  - b. Gary Midkiff, who has taught lifelong learning courses at Harper College for over five years, will introduce videos and present two lectures. Mr. Midkiff will be compensated.
  - c. Harper College is preparing advertising.
  - d. Harper will provide snacks (there is also a cafeteria).

ICLRU will provide speakers: Bob Allen, Tom Gavigan, Sue Harty, and Henrietta Leary will present the balance of the seminars. At this time, the thinking is that ICLR presenters will not be compensated.

Harper College and ICLRU will each have 50 tickets.

Harper College representatives anticipate much interest and believe that they will have no problem selling out 50 seats.

The total cost for admission at all four half-days will be \$40 per person. There is no single or two or three day pricing.

Expenses and profits, if any, will be shared by ICLRU and Harper College. We do not have the details on expenses that will be borne by Harper College.

This is a new offering. **Sue Masterson moved that the board approve moving forward with the joint Civil War Symposium. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Debby Miller and the motion carried.**

- VI. Ad Hoc Event Committee Procedures, Steve Wolf.  
**Effective immediately, the Ad Hoc Events Committee, currently chaired by Henrietta Leary, will be known as the Events Committee.**

**The board unanimously voted to adopt the following procedural rule, introduced by Steve Wolf and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Debby Miller, which falls under the General Powers provision in the By-Laws (Article IV Section 6). In accordance with organizational and administrative objectives, effective immediately (except for extraordinary circumstances as may be determined by the Board), the Board will not accept event proposals that have not been approved by the Events Committee Chair. Future events will require prior approval by the Events Committee Chair before they will be added to a board meeting agenda. Planning meetings will be held after such approval. This policy will be binding on the Board and all parties who may be involved in the development of future events.**

- VII. Dr. Middleton Luncheon, Henrietta Leary  
Henrietta Leary discussed details of the luncheon including funded and self funding elements, a limited number of invited guests, the menu, and cost.  
**Sue Harty moved that the luncheon be approved at a cost of between \$20-\$23 per paying guest. Debby Miller 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the motion carried.**
- VIII. Board Confirmation – Self-Funded Budget Form: Old Wisconsin Field Trip.  
**Kathie Newsted moved to approve the trip. Selwyn Schwartz 2<sup>nd</sup>, the motion carried.**

IX. ICLRU Master Calendar Additions / Changes

Proposed:

- a. Summer Picnic, Fri. July 31 – park permit was received.
- b. Holiday Party – the board's preferred date is Thursday, Dec. 17. A quote will be obtained from Makrays. Debby Miller will get a quote from the Meadows Club.
- c. Debby Miller asked to reserve Friday, September 25 as the date for a Banned Books Seminar, which was approved by the Event Committee Chair.

X. Monthly Financials / Update on Form 990 Filing, Bob Masterson

Bob Masterson advised that a tax return extension was approved to Aug. 16<sup>th</sup> (but we should have everything finalized before that date). The Form 990 was filed electronically. The state return/report for the Illinois Attorney General's office needs Steve's signature, and Bob will meet with Don Carlson, to get Don's signature. This should be completed by May 20<sup>th</sup>. We have asked Don for a comprehensive list of what he does as Treasurer. The state sales tax exemption and the business license need to be renewed.

Bob Masterson has been updating some communications originally created by John Wiese that members can forward to friends and family so they can see what ICLRU is all about. Bob will forward it to board members for comment. A 1-day study group pass will be included. The board would also like to see a 1-day pass left at every place setting at the Annual Meeting.

XI. Nominating Committee Report, Sue Harty

This month's Committee Reports included the 2015 slate for the open director positions: Les Miller, John Wiese, and Andrea Zietlow.

Many thanks to Debby Miller and Kathy Newsted for their service.

Sue Harty asked the board members to consider serving on the executive committee. Two of the board members-elect prefer not to hold office during the first year. It's up to the current board to let Sue Harty know who is interested.

- XII. Update on the June Annual Meeting and Town Hall Planning, John Wiese  
John will meet with Sue Harty and Steve Wolf to discuss the highlights of the 2015 survey results. Arrangements have been made with Chandlers. John provided some of the demographics collected from the survey. Overall, our organization is aging, but is enthusiastic about and approving of ICLRU. The percentage of coordinators in 2015 is approximately 35%.
- XIII. Committee Reports – There were no comments or questions.
- XIV. Tabled Item: Roosevelt University’s 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Outing, Monday, Aug. 10.  
Last year ICLRU gave a generous donation to this effort. After discussion, the board decided that we would not be able to participate this year.
- XV. Other?
- a. Debby Miller requested that the board recognize the late Tom Dooley, who initiated Plato’s Place and the Winter Lecture Series. Hall of Fame Louisville Slugger bat with Tom’s name on it. Selwyn Schwartz moved that ICLRU investigate the purchase of a Louisville Slugger bat inscribed with Tom’s name. Tom’s favorite team was the Cincinnati Reds. Kathie Newsted 2<sup>nd</sup>, the motion carried.
  - b. Debby Miller will have a day with the Mayor and she will ask about potential alternate sites.
  - c. Selwyn Schwartz is interested in checking whether ICLRU could host candidates of opposing political parties at ICLRU.
  - d. Should ICLRU market to retiring teachers? ICLRU might send a letter with one-day passes to schools in local districts. Debby Miller will find out about a local teachers’ organization: ED-RED (Education/Research/Development). ED-RED is an advocacy organization that monitors and actively influences education policy at the Illinois Statehouse, particularly issues that are priorities for member school districts.
- XVI. The June 2015 regular board meeting will be held June 9<sup>th</sup> at Chandler’s Banquets, immediately following the Annual Meeting and Town Hall.
- XVII. Debby Miller moved for adjournment. Kathie Newsted 2<sup>nd</sup>, the motion carried.