

ICLRU Board Meeting
Minutes – July 24, 2015
10:00 AM

Present: John Wiese, Sue Harty, Sue Masterson, Cathy Jensen, and Steve Wolf

Guests: Joan Brody, Henrietta Leary, LaRaye Rodriguez and Bob Masterson

- I. President, John Wiese performed the call to order and the confirmation of quorum.
- II. John Wiese welcomed the board members and guests and introduced Joan Brody, his appointee to fill the board vacancy.
- III. Steve Wolf moved to approve the June 2015 minutes, 2nd by Sue Harty, the motion carried.
- IV. John Wiese announced that Joan Brody accepted an appointment to fulfill the board vacancy resulting from Don Carlson's resignation. John moved that the board of directors confirm Joan's appointment to fulfill the board vacancy. 2nd Steve Wolf, the motion carried.
- V. An election for the office of Treasurer is also required, as Don Carlson held that position. John Wiese moved to elect Joan Brody as Treasurer. Joan is well qualified to hold this position. 2nd by Sue Harty, the motion carried.

Joan will meet with Don and ask him to provide her with updated documents and electronic files, such as the annual tax returns, the annual filing with the Attorney General and the Secretary of State, the tax exemption renewal and the business license renewal.

Bob Masterson mentioned that one issue -- our continuing 501c3 status -- should be researched (does it need to be renewed and if so, how?). Bob will look for emails from Don concerning membership and the basis for determining the appropriate membership fee. He will also send the approved budget for 2015 to Joan Brody. Joan and Bob will work together to load QuickBooks on her laptop, which would allow her to see a snapshot of QuickBooks at a specific point in time. The books are updated daily in the Center as various payments are received from members.

If there are no additional software licenses available, then ICLRU could buy an updated version of QuickBooks, providing licenses to load copies on multiple computers.

- VI. There was a discussion of special recognition for Don Carlson for his long and distinguished service. John Wiese started working with Don in 2002-2003 and through many efforts by Don, ICLRU successfully split our accounting and administrative functions from Roosevelt University. Other obligations prevent Don from continuing on the board and as Treasurer.

Henrietta Leary will suggest to the Lecture Committee that we hold a special lecture or seminar for Don Carlson on a scientific topic conducted by an RU faculty member or other qualified speaker, in Don's honor. George Venetis has contact information for 'living history actor' who has portrayed Darwin.

We'll need to find a date that works for Don and ICLRU (and confirm Don's favorite libation.)

- VII. The Arlington Senior Center has a Hall of Fame board at the Senior Center. Should ICLRU make a contribution to the Senior Center to add the late Tom Dooley's name to the Hall of Fame board? Would a board member go over to the Senior Center and take a picture, so we understand the issue better?

An item from the May board meeting was that Selwyn Schwartz would investigate an engraved Little Slugger bat. Tom's favorite team was the Cincinnati Reds. This issue will be tabled until a future meeting.

- VIII. Discussion of a mutual agreement with The Garlands (at the suggestion of former ICLRU member, Rem Stokes). Sue Harty left two messages with the activities director, Jill Lund. At this point, Sue is waiting for a response from Ms. Lund. The Garlands has an ongoing relationship with Harper College.
- IX. Sue Masterson moved that the board confirm the Executive Committee's decision to approve the budget for the Wingspread, SC Johnson Field Trip to Racine, Wisconsin. 2nd by Cathy Jensen, the motion carried.
- X. Sue Harty moved that the board confirm the Executive Committee's decision to approve the Summer Picnic budget form. 2nd by Steve Wolf, the motion carried. There was further discussion of games and activities at the picnic.

- XI. Steve Wolf moved to approve the Banned Books Seminar at a per person cost of \$15. Cathy Jensen 2nd, the motion carried.

Henrietta Leary is planning for coffee and rolls in Rm. 706.

John Wiese asked for additional information on the subjects to be discussed. There will be two speakers. This is a serious topic and the room will accommodate up to 70 members. Attendance will depend on the complete description. Sheila Barrett is in the process of preparing the flyer. Handouts will be provided at the seminar – the board is interested in learning what the librarians will bring.

ICLRU could hold a member book exchange at this event and provide paperbacks and magazines for George Venetis' s VFW post collection for Hines VA Hospital.

- XII. Steve Wolf moved to hold the Holiday Party at Chandler's Banquets on Thursday, Dec. 17. 2nd by Sue Masterson, the motion carried.

Sue Harty and Sue Masterson will make arrangements with Chandlers.

Henrietta Leary and Steve Wolf volunteered to make arrangements for entertainment that would run about 30 minutes and cost \$300 or less. Joan Brody has a keyboard that might be available if needed. There are a number of singers among our membership -- a sing-along might be a good idea. The board will discuss entertainment at a future meeting.

- XIII. ICLRU Master Calendar Additions / Changes

- Aug. 18, 11:30 am in Rm. 706 – The Summer Coordinator Wrap Up -
- Summer Study Group Evaluations are currently being requested
- The September board meeting date will be decided at the August meeting.
- December 17, 11:30 am at Chandlers Banquets – Holiday Party

- XIV. There were no questions or comments about the monthly financials.

Bob Masterson offered to meet with Joan Brody anytime she's ready to learn the process of how the books are kept

- XV. There were no questions or comments on the committee reports.
- XVI. Steve Wolf provided an update on the ICLRU, Carol Keegan Pharmacy Student Scholarship. The Pharmacy Scholarship winner is Ms. Bhumi Patel, a 3rd year pharmacy student. The dates and willingness for a presentation by the winner, in collaboration with a faculty member, will need to be cleared. Steve Wolf will inform Tom Keegan.

Bob Masterson will need the information to write the check for the scholarship winner.

Sue Harty updated the board on the Women's Issues Seminar in Memory of Carol Keegan. Tom Keegan was consulted on his preference of two suggestions. Henrietta Leary will contact Jeff Nigro concerning an art seminar. Friday, November 13th is our proposed date.

- XVII. As of July 15, Jeannette Magdaleno, Lifelong Learning and Volunteer Coordinator at Friendship Village, had not booked any ICLRU study group coordinators for presentations at Friendship Village. Jeannette planned to meet with the Life Long Learning Committee on July 16 to discuss which presentations they would like and they will begin scheduling.
- XVIII. John Wiese brought up the possible creation of new book clubs and special interest clubs. These could be held on Fridays, Saturdays, or at Lunchtime during Study Group Sessions and would provide social activities for members throughout the year.

Special Interest clubs are fine and serve a purpose. The board agreed that invitation-only clubs are not appropriate for our organization. Sue Harty will draw up a list of members who would be interested in helping to start book clubs and special interest groups. Sue will also contact Char Willour for suggestions on facilitating book clubs. LitLovers.com has online resources.

John Wiese will organize a meeting of approximately 6-8 interested members.

XIX. Other?

A) The Lecture Committee plans to meet at 1pm on Aug. 18. After discussion, it was agreed that due to budgetary issues, the board would like to advise the Lecture Committee to revise the 2016 series as follows:

- Hold fewer than 10 lectures; and
- Spread the lectures throughout the year to keep members involved with ICLRU and to reduce the cost of paying a rental fee if a winter lecture needs to be canceled on short notice due to weather-related problems, etc. This type of scheduling would necessitate that the team downtown works closely with the Pharmacy College so that ICLRU's rental dates are firm. There might be 2-3 lectures before the Winter Study Group Session and 2-3 afterward.

B) Bob Masterson will respond to Andrea Zietlow's recent e-mail questions and comments.

C) Yvette Joseph's current position with the Provost's Office has been eliminated. Yvette has been our on-campus contact for many years.

D) Bob Masterson will write to Jodi Daily requesting:

- A new on-campus contact; and
- The issue of keeping Door 10 unlocked for one hour, from 8:45 – 9:45 am and for one hour from 12:15 – 1:15 pm Monday through Thursday.

E) Discussion of holding a 'Day at the Movies' on a regular basis that would offer members an opportunity to enjoy relatively current films in a group setting.

F) John Wiese and Sue Harty have discussed visiting the Schaumburg Library to introduce ICLRU to early retirees and new retirees, along the lines of: You're Retired – Now What! This would be a two-hour seminar to promote ICLRU and

help retirees figure out what they'll do with their time. A few ICLRU members might be recruited to join this endeavor. We might schedule the event after we have a conversation with new R.U. President, Ali R. Malekzadeh.

XX. Next Board Meeting – Monday, August 17th at 10 am

XXI. John Wiese moved to adjourn the meeting. 2nd by Steve Wolf, the motion carried.