## ICLRU Board Meeting Minutes – September 28, 2015

11:45 am - 12:45 pm, Rm. 704

Present: John Wiese, Sue Harty, Sue Masterson, Joan Brody, Cathy Jensen, Les Miller, Selwyn Schwartz, Steve Wolf and Andrea Zietlow

Guests: Henrietta Leary

- 1. The Call to Order / Confirmation of Quorum was performed by John Wiese
- 2. John Wiese welcomed the board.
- 3. Review of the August 2015 Minutes
  - a. Henrietta Leary will be contacting RJ Lindsay, concerning an additional lecture in 2016 in honor of Don Carlson.
  - b. The Lecture Committee scheduled a full complement of lectures (ten) in 2016. The board plans to talk with the Lecture Committee in early 2016 about the number and scheduling of future (2017) lectures.

Sue Harty informed Friendship Village that the scheduling of future lectures could change.

- c. Harper College has not invoiced ICLRU for the Civil War Symposium.
- d. John Wiese is considering content for a future 'Planning for Retirement' Seminar to introduce ICLRU to prospective members.
- e. Various methods of increasing membership were discussed:
  - We know the main method of obtaining members is by word-of-mouth.
  - Discussion of a recent Chicago Tribune article on lifelong learning, which did not mention ICLRU.

- Andrea Zietlow will do some preliminary inquiries about holding a January 2016 ICLRU presentation at a local library (perhaps Schaumburg). The event would be open to the public for approximately 50-70 people. ICLRU may need to advertise the event locally. Local libraries may require events to be scheduled and held within a 3-month window.
- 4. Selwyn Schwartz moved to approve the September 28, 2015 Minutes. Cathy Jensen 2<sup>nd</sup>, the motion carried.
- 5. The new marketing flyer should be completed by the end of the week: 100-200 will be printed in black and white on glossy stock. An announcement in the coordinators notes will let the membership know that these are available in the Center. Cost is expected to be minimal.
- 6. John Wiese will arrange to have the book club survey finalized early this week. There was a brief discussion of topics for new book clubs.
- 7. The 2015-2016 Partnership Agreement between ICLRU and Friendship Village was renewed effective October 1, 2015.
  - a. Per the Partnership Agreement, ICLRU expects to receive \$4,750 in October, helping to fund the 2016 Lecture Series speakers and associated costs.
  - b. Friendship Village is also very pleased to host the upcoming Piano Showcase.
  - c. Kathie Newsted will contact Jeannette Magdaleno again concerning coordinator presentations at Friendship Village.
  - d. Discussion of holding a future lecture at Friendship Village.
- At Sue Harty's request, Andrea Zietlow moved that discussions continue with Harper College on a joint symposium in 2016, on a self-funded basis. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Wolf, the motion carried.

- 9. ICLRU Master Calendar Additions / Changes The board will continue to hold regular board meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month until such time as a change is necessary.
- 10. Joan Brody presented the Treasurer's Report.
  - a. Total Assets are \$150,757.54, Total Equity is \$149,032.68 and Net Income is \$9,977.11.
  - b. Joan will investigate alternatives to the current CDs and associated monthly costs. We may be able to roll some funds into a short term CD and place some money from checking into a higher interest savings account.
  - c. Joan continues to check out QuickBooks capabilities on her computer.
  - d. It does not seem necessary to convene a new Finance Committee at this time.
  - e. Sue Masterson moved the Treasurer's Report be accepted. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathy Jensen, the motion carried.
- 11. Committee Reports
  - a. Henrietta Leary informed the board:
    - 34 members are registered for the Banned Books seminar. Some attendees may come from Harper and if so, we'll accept cash or checks at the door.
    - Advertising will start this week for the November 13<sup>th</sup> Art Seminar
    - Henrietta is considering scheduling an Opera-In-Focus (puppet opera) outing in January 2016.
  - b. Steve Wolf advised that:
    - Fall and winter study groups are on shown the calendar.

- Bhumi Patel, the Carol Keegan and ICLRU Scholarship Winner, provided her PowerPoint presentation which will be made available on the ICLRU website.
- The Piano Showcase is the principal ICLRU event at Friendship Village this year.
- c. There were no other questions or comments on the Committee Reports.
- 12. The Office Manager review was discussed in an Executive Session. The board voted a salary of \$1,600 per month plus a bonus of \$2,000 effective January 2016.

The board expressed appreciation to Bob Masterson for all he does for the organization.

- 13. There were no other issues.
- 14. Next board meeting: Monday, October 19 at 11:45 am in Room 704.
- 15. The board unanimously adjourned.