OLLI@UGA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
April 13, 2015


Board and Officers Absent: Margaret Anderson, Joseph Harris and Don Schneider

Others Present: Zu Reuter, Jay Shinn, Karen Lahey and her husband Mike Lahey, Jim Marshall, and Andy Horne

Minutes: Ms. Copeland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lynch, “that the Minutes from the March 9, 2015 Board meeting be approved.” Ms. Read offered a correction to include the price of patrons’ tickets for the OLLI Follies. Motion adopted.

Nominating Committee: On behalf of the Nominating Committee, Ms. Craige moved, seconded by Cheryl Copeland, that “the slate of officers and directors for 2015-2016 be accepted.” Motion adopted. She explained that there are ten candidates for Directors – five will be elected for a two-year term and one person for a one-year term.

Committee Chair Nominations: Ms. Craige moved, seconded by Ms. Read, for the Board “to approve Jay Shinn as Membership Committee Chair for April 2015-June 2016 and for the term July 2015-June 2016: Bill Alworth as Bylaws Committee Chair, Katherine Winslow as Marketing Development Committee Chair, and Peg Graham as Special Interest Groups Chair.” Motion adopted.

Committee Chair Nominations: The chairs of the other standing committees who have already been approved or are continuing from this year are: Connie Bruce as Curriculum Committee Chair, Richard Bouldin as Finance Committee Chair; Jill Read as Fund Development Committee Chair; Bill Loughner as Historian; Iva King as Hospitality Committee Chair, Les Shindelman as IT Committee Chair; Richard Lynch as Long-Range Planning Committee Chair; Nancy Canolty as Registration Committee Chair; Joan Zitzelman as Travel-Study Committee Chair; Sandy Clark as Coordinator of Volunteers, and Pat McAlexander, Editor of the OLLI Times.

Treasurer’s Report: Mr. Songster presented the third quarter report. He said that the YTD total revenues reached $349,884. Total YTD expenses stand at $306,576. YTD Net Ordinary Revenue is $39,308. He noted that this statement does not reference the upcoming OLLI Follies.

2015-2016 Budget: Mr. Songster presented the budget for 2015-2016. There are two budgets that show the preliminary budget drawn up by the Finance Committee, as well as the Treasurer/Executive Director’s proposed budget. In fairness, the Finance Committee drew up this budget without knowing about the new parking agreement, the Board’s vote to increase class fees to include the parking fee, the proposal to revise our dues structure, the SIG revenue from the opera scholarship and Robert Burns Dinner, and the shift to a professionally-driven from a volunteer-driven organization. The proposed budget from the Treasurer and Executive Director (highlighted in pink) is a balanced budget. There is a 10% increase in this budget. It is based on 1400 full memberships. There will be only full memberships of two overlapping periods. $25.00 memberships will be restricted to Washington and Madison members.
Mr. Songster moved, seconded by Ms. Craige, that “the OLLI@UGA Board approve a balanced 2015-2016 Budget sent to Board members by the Treasurer on April 9, 2015. The 2015-16 budget presented today in summary proposes $425,085 of revenue and $425,044 in expenses.

Approval of the budget constitutes approval to go to two full-year membership periods beginning July and January each ahead of our class enrollment terms.” Motion adopted.

**Executive Director’s Report:** Ms. Crapo reported that as of March 31, 2015, we have 1368 members, of which 1298 are Athens members including 43 Madison members, and 70 members from Washington Chapter.

**Amendment of Statement of Intent between OLLI@UGA and the UGA Foundation:** Ms. Crapo explained that when the original statement was signed, there had been only the $1,000,000 Osher Endowment received by OLLI. It needs to be updated/amended to reflect the second endowment award and any other additional contributions to the Osher Endowment.

Mr. Songster moved, seconded by Mr. Abney, “that a revised Statement of Intent be signed including: “the following declaration shall replace paragraph one of the original document dated March 6, 2012: Whereas, through its ongoing support of OLLI@UGA, the Bernard Osher Foundation has committed to providing a $1 million endowment for the support of OLLI@UGA per a letter to Associate Dean Ronald M. Cervero dated December 5, 2011, and may, from time to time, make additional contributions to the Osher Endowment; and … All other provisions of the original Statement of Intent remain intact and unchanged.” Motion adopted.

**Non-discrimination and Anti-harassment Policy:** Ms. Crapo noted that the Board’s new policy was now posted on our website. She reported that after the February 2015 meeting that a complaint had been lodged with the university’s EOO office. This office reviewed the complaint, our actions, and our new policy and ruled against the complainant. We are in complete compliance.

**Old Business - Organizational Sub-Committee:** Mr. Kenyon had submitted a written report to the Board members that explained the background to the process of change that OLLI has undertaken, as well as the process that the sub-committee has followed. Mr. Lynch, chair of the Evaluation Team, continued with the report of his team. First of all, he thanked the members of the Evaluation Team: Nancy Songster, Sandy Clark, Andy Horne, and Jim Marshall for all their hours of labor. He said that there were three responses to our Request for Proposals. They were: (1) J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development at the University of Georgia, (2) Ball of Fire Consulting of Atlanta, GA, and (3) Dr. Laura L. Bierema, Professor & Associate Dean for Academic Programs of the University of Georgia College of Education. Mr. Lynch said that all three proposals were very qualified.

Mr. Lynch moved, seconded by Ms. Craige with the proviso that the price be $14,500, “that the proposal of the J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development at the University of Georgia be accepted.” Motion adopted.

**New Business- Annual Meeting:** President Kenyon requested all standing committee chairs to submit two or three salient highlights from their committees to him as soon as possible in preparation for the meeting on Friday, May 15, 2015.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.