

OLLI at UNT Advisory Council
Monday, October 14, 2020
Minutes

- Opened at 1:00 PM by Max
- In attendance was Stephanie, Darrel VanDyke, Cheryl Storm, Tom Klammer, Karen Nelson, Deborah Diehl, Bert Hayslip, and John Booth
- John Booth took minutes in the absence of Emily Richardson who joined 45 minutes late
- Stephanie presented a “director’s update”
 - Surveys were administered to OLLI at UNT members and OLLI at UNT faculty to assess their feelings on returning to face-to-face classes
 - Surveys revealed that of OLLI members, 23% said they would not do online classes and only do classroom (sample size of 111 respondents)
 - Since OLLI is under the UNT umbrella, it must abide by UNT’s classroom policy, and they have said “no classroom lectures” at this time
 - Max offered that he was very comfortable with Zoom lectures
 - Tom asked “if vaccine” comes out, will UNT change their stance on classroom use? Stephanie said it would still be up to UNT to set policy.
 - Deborah reinforced the fact the we are linked tightly to UNT, so any direction they set we must abide by
 - Membership
 - Currently 658
 - Usually in the Fall there is a decrease
 - Approximately 300 members have not renewed and we could lose them
 - Virtual classroom is going well for those who are attending online
 - OLLI office open with four staff members; they are not accepting walk-ins at this time, and if someone has a scheduled appointment at the office, they must wear a mask and physically distance.
 - New courses are purchased for students to access online
 - 11% of revenues come from memberships
 - Continuing effort to promote online social hours for members
- Tom did a financial update; consensus by all was that it was very clear and concise, and the best summary we have gotten; kudos given by all to Tom for his good work
 - Revenue 2019-2020 = \$476,150
 - Expense 2019-2020 = \$413,737
 - In general, UNT provides most of direct and indirect revenues to OLLI
- Stephanie posed, “Do we need a group to help with fundraising to help fund OLLI?”
 - Tom, Max, Deborah, and Cheryl volunteered to assist in this endeavor
- Next Advisory meetings scheduled: (all at 1:00)
 - January 13, 2021
 - March 17, 2021
 - May 19, 2021
- Darrel presented a summary of current “semesters”, and he proposed that we offer four semesters (year round courses, with no quiet time for students)

- Good interactive discussion regarding this
 - Stephanie said she would bring up this idea with her staff
- Max – discussed Facebook posts and how to make OLLI posts shareable
- John proposed adjourning the meeting; 2nd by Darrel; meeting adjourned at 2:40 PM