OLLI at UNT Curriculum Committee Meeting
Zoom Meeting, Hosted by Jordan Williams, Chaired by Karen Nelsen
July 24, 2020

Present: Peggy Higgins, Jim Goodnow, Ron Fink, Susan Lueders, Larry Wilson, Karen Nelsen,
Stephen Booher, Diane Hoemeke, Jordan Williams, Lily Witty

Absent: Raymond Pahler, Diana Mason, Robert Jackson, Pat Cheek, Rebecca Fridley,
Cleta Plunkett, Emile Richardson

Prior to the meeting, committee members were emailed Fall 20 Course Descriptions and Bios and OLLI at
UNT Fall 2020 Proposed Course List. Members were asked to review these before the meeting.

Karen called the meeting to order at 10:01 am.

Old Business
None

New Business
The purpose of this meeting is to approve fall, 2020, classes. Information about the classes and
discussion included:
• Many of the fall classes were previously proposed in the spring.
• There are three series: Decriminalizing Blackness
Spotlight on the Presidency
UT Southwestern Healthcare Lecture Series
Schedule for the UT Southwestern Series is dependent on availability of the doctor/presenter.
• The fall information session, August 21, will include a Zoom tutorial (Zoom 101), in the morning
at 11:00am and an Information Session in the afternoon at 2:00pm.
• Most presentations will be live via Zoom. Zoom classes will allow for questions and answers,
i.e. chat or open discussion.
• Presentations will be in the mornings and in the afternoons. Classes will begin September 8 and
end the third week of November. Class times will be 10:00am-11:30am, 1:00pm-2:30pm, and
2:45pm-4:15pm.
• No classes will be repeated at different locations, as in the past. Some sessions, with approval
of the presenter, could be recorded and presented at a later time. Jordan will check on this.
• Either Jordan or Lily will host each presentation.
• Evaluation system is the same as before.
• Several class titles seem misleading. Jordan will check with the presenters for clarification.
• Catalogs for fall, 2020, will be available early August. They will be on-line and smaller than
previous catalogs.
• Jordan will email weekly calendar reminders to OLLI members regarding classes and other
information.
Karen motioned to approve the courses for fall, 2020. Ron seconded. Motion passed.

Other Business:
Peggy complimented Jordan on his presentation and use of slides and suggested his be used as a model
for other presenters.
For members who have previously paid dues, membership has been extended one semester due to the virus. Members can go to the OLLI at UNT website, “my account” navigate to “my membership” to find the status of their account. Jordan cautioned this may not be up-to-date. Members are notified by email when their membership expires.

Summer fees were $40.00 and fall fees are $50.00.

Great Courses Selections that will be available as part of the fall courses are:
- Books That Matter
- Cultures of the World
- Life and Works of Mark Twain

Summer Great Course Selections will remain available.

New Special Interest Groups (SIG) are:
- Yoga—lead by a new leader and classes are via Zoom
- Wood Working
- Great Books—meets fourth Friday of the month
- Texas History—coordinated by Diana Mason
- OLLI Zoom Social—still in developing stage

Karen thanked Jordan and Lily.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 am.