

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ADULT LEARNING PROGRAM, INC.
September 23, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Jack Gregory at 1:05 PM.
Members met in person in the Seabury Board Room.

PRESENT: Donna Cote, Bob Ellis, Jack Gregory, Jenny Gaines, Errol Matzke, Sandy Slipp, Elizabeth Burke, Beth Horlitz, Kimball Hunt, Ann Winship, Agnes Pier, Tom Growek,

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Seabury will show Zoom ALP presentations in the Britten Room in the South Wing to people who do not have a computer.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the August meeting were approved.

CO-CHAIRPERSONS' REPORT

Jack attended the SAH Council meeting on September 3. There are 240 members of SAH. Many do not belong to ALP or seem to know about it. Beth said that the ALP Fall program announcement was the lead article in the recent SAH newsletter. Jack composed a letter to send to SAH members to offer them a free membership to ALP for the rest of this fall semester. There was much discussion with many Board members being concerned that would be unfair to those who paid the full amount already. Board members do recognize the need to grow ALP. Agnes said that ALP policy is to offer one free course for people to sample ALP. In the past a free coupon for that was in the ALP-Horn. The discussion was tabled for later.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Errol said we need to financially support Jenny for her work setting up Google Docs since that is outside her normal duties. This may entail 50 plus hours to prepare computer files of documents and minutes since 2014. All Board members voted in favor of the proposal.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

The ALP enrollment presently shows a 20 percent decline in membership. But the semester has just started. We may find the numbers are much better by the time of the October Board meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Webmaster:

In the last month, the home page of the website has been updated.

In the last 30 days, the website has had 381 visitors, 200 of which are first time visitors. As a point of comparison, in August there were 289 visitors and July had 233 visitors.

ALP-Horn:

Nothing to report

Communications Committee:

Nothing to report.

Curriculum Committee

The Curriculum Committee met September 2. So far there are 19 courses mostly set with more possibilities.

Events and Member Support Committee:

There will be a Zoom October Social for ALP members on October 21 from 1:30 to 3. The invitation will be an attachment to an email to all ALP members. Flo Grieb and Ann Winship will talk briefly on the History of ALP. Each Board member will tell about a significant learning experience in their life. Each presentation should be no more than 2 to 3 minutes.

NEW BUSINESS

For \$40 a month we can have 100 gigs of cloud storage. We will invest in that.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board approved sending all SAH members an offer for 1 free course in this semester.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 2:48 PM.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be Thursday, October 28 at 1 PM probably by Zoom.

Respectively presented,

Beth Horlitz