# MINUTES OF THE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE HELD FRIDAY, May 20th 2016 AT 10.30 A.M.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10.30 a.m.

Present: Chair: Chris Steele. Rick Bonk, Carol DeCoursey, Fred Fredrickson, Tim Hay, Jay Hurwitz, Diane Kester, Arlene LaTurner, Kathy Shoemaker, Helen Rodgers, Nellie Spruch, Michael Spruch, Ann Thurley, Robert Wilburn, Richard Young, Earl Fleehart, Nancy Fisher

The minutes of the April 2016 meeting were presented and approved.

Chris Steele introduced Dr. Tariq Mustafa, a retired official with the government of Pakistan. He is interested in either teaching a 4-week class or giving one time lectures depending on his schedule. The recommendation from the committee was for a TELOS class on Significant Moments in Pakistan's History - an Insider's Perspective as well as a TSO lecture on Steering the Future of Humankind and/or possibly The Value of Life.

Other subjects of interest to the Committee were the Killing of Bin Laden and The Challenges of Radical Islam. Chris, Dr. Mustafa and the Bellevue Community College will work on coordinating the best lecture format.

As Chris Steele will be away 0n June 17<sup>th</sup> it was decided to hold the Curriculum Committee Meeting on Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. 2016 at 10.30 a.m. There will be no June 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The TELOS Fall Quarter will start on Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup> 2016. At this time there are only 25 classes for the Fall Quarter down from 60 classes in 2015. The deadline for submissions was May 15<sup>th</sup>. Fall is always a time of year when attendance is high so this is disconcerting.

Ken Wright will be retiring from teaching the Tai Chi classes after 10 years. It was decided that he should receive a Certificate of Recognition from TSO.

It was decided that the person responsible for bringing a Quarter Break speaker or Coffee and Wisdom speaker ought to be responsible for providing the paragraph describing the presentation and a brief biography of the speaker. This is needed about one month ahead of the event.

TELESCOPE would like to have more information about the lectures and when possible photographs of the speakers if they are willing to do that. The speaker's approval would need to be obtained.

There was discussion about a tangible acknowledgement for Coffee and Wisdom speakers, but after input from Jay Hurwitz and Richard Young, who have been speakers, it was agreed that there would be Thank-you notes only.

**Summer 2016.** Enrollment is open and so far there are 153 enrollments. There have been computer issues when trying to enroll online which may have impacted this number.

Due to elevator repair work, the North Campus was going be closed from the end of the Summer Quarter until the start of Fall Quarter and the Views of the News Extensions would be cancelled. Instead Chris is investigating renting the Crossroads Community Room during this time.

## Fall Quarter 2016

Earl has a contact to talk to about a lecture on the History of Music. Carol DeCoursey has a contact in the Blue Grass field. Helen Rodgers and Diane Kester will also look into other music genres.

Carol DeCoursey advised us that Norm Hollingsworth was not available to lecture on Opera.

Alan Miller will teach a course on Spirituality.

There is a new drawing, painting and marketing class.

Donn Charnley received positive comments for his well-organized Geology class presentations; he will be teaching 3 quarters on the Geology of the National Parks.

Jim Maynard is not available for either Summer or Fall Quarters.

There is a suggestion that there be lectures on Great Decisions. These sessions cost \$79.00 and the booklet costs \$25.00 per person. It was suggested that TSO buy 15 books which would be reimbursed by students. It was also noted that the information can be downloaded. Earl is going to look into any copyright issues though it was felt that was not an issue when Great Decisions is used for academic purposes.

### **Winter Quarter**

John Bishop will present his lectures on "A Bobby and A Cop" in the Winter quarter. Conflicts arose for him to lecture as planned in the Fall.

Glenna Trout will present a lecture on "Reading Faces".

Kathy Shoemaker is researching a person to present on Gerontology and Great Courses

Logic will be presented by Sandi Mendendorp, and Peoples and Cultures of the World will hopefully be presented by Alan Carter. Again Kathy Shoemaker is pursuing this.

#### **Coffee and Wisdom**

The May 6<sup>th</sup> presentation on End of Life Washington was very well received.

June 3<sup>rd</sup> is Jay Hurwitz on The Framers of The Electoral College.

There will be NO Coffee and Wisdom on July 2<sup>nd</sup> or September 2<sup>nd</sup> as those Fridays are part of the Holiday weekend.

August 5<sup>th</sup> is to be determined. Speakers are needed for the first Friday of October November and December.

#### **TSO Quarter Break Seminars June 2016**

We are awaiting confirmation from Alessandro Regio that he will be presenting lectures on **Cold War 2: The Recoldening of Russia, China and Developing Countries** to be held on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> the last day of which is a Saturday. Courses will be from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. with a midday break, as before.

#### **August-September 2016 Ideas**

The only firm seminars are Jim Maynard speaking on The Russian Near and Abroad on September 6 and 7. The following list details ideas that are being worked on.

Richard Young/Kathy: Fall Political Event

Bob and Donnelly Wilburn: Self-driving cars and ADAS features (automated driver assist systems) (Kathy Shoemaker) and

Culture on Eastside-September 13

Fred Frederickson: Judge Gary Alexander and Ted Watts-Selling the Constitution--

Paul Maffeo Veterans Issues (VFW)

Bev Vernon: "Charitable donations: How to Determine Trustworthiness of Organizations"

Jerry Harkleroad: Tony Floor-Northwest Marine Fisheries and Electrical Grid

Dorothy Ghaly (speaker): Aging and options for care-A1Senior Care Advisors and AARP CAREversations

Jacqueline Malone: Dr. Chowdhary-Brain Attack (aka Stroke)

Irene Pasternak: Rick Wyckoff, psychologist and nutritionist who specializes in avoiding dementia

Elaine Morgan: Cybercrime tour

Michele Connell: Andy Gregory-Puget Soundkeeper

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Next Curriculum Committee Meeting is scheduled for June 1st 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Thurley