

## **TSO COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Wednesday, August 15, 2018**

**Present:** Jerry Bunce, President; Steve Denison, Stanley Habib, Tim Hay, Diane Kester, Ron Lebeiko, Bryan Leyton, Paul Maffeo, Jim Maynard, Sandi Medendorp, Alexa Munoz, Chris Steele, Ted Watts

**Absent:** Carla Barnes, Virginia Binder

**Guests:** Bill Greaver, Chuck Kimbrough, Carole Maynard

**Minutes:** A motion by Diane Kester seconded by Steve Denison was made to approve the Minutes of July 18, 2018. The Minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

### **Reports from Officers**

**President:** Jerry Bunce

1. There were 312 responses, 15 e-mail replies, and 7 pages of comments to the financial survey indicating the effect of a raise in class fees: the higher the fee--the lower the attendance in classes as shown clearly on the bar graph.
2. Further information requested through public information requests is the consultant's report to Continuing Education, and the amount TELOS is being charge for overhead charges. One chart in the information provided in the Public Record Request indicates a plan to charge 50% overhead charges: 35% is for administration and 15% is for marketing.
3. An examination was done for the past and current quarter of other Continuing Education courses including Healthcare, Business, Computer, and Technology to determine if those courses had a fee increase. No increase in fees was detected.
4. Preparations are under way to appear at the Board of Trustees meeting on September 5, and speak during the public comment segment. The survey results will be presented and a short set of talking points prepared from the long set. Proposed is a task force that includes TSO members who can review the issues and make acceptable proposals to resolve the situation.
5. Al Lewis, Vice President for Economics and Workforce Development, has requested a meeting with TSO on August 21. Also attending will be Jennifer Sohonie, Director of Community Solutions. Jerry will present the survey results and talking points. He is hoping for a more cooperative co-curricular relationship as the TSO mission statement written in 2014-16 states. According to the mission statement, TSO is a co-curricular and participative in all major decisions, but so far in there has been no consultation with TSO concerning the fee increase issue.
6. Another approach Jerry had contemplated was filing a complaint with the Office of Equity and Pluralism, under the direction of Interim Vice President for Biodiversity, Dr. Sayumi Irely.
7. Invited to all meetings are Depali Desai and Jennifer Sohonie because they have important information that includes enrollment numbers and future plans.

**Secretary:** Alexa Munoz

Joanne Gainen, Jim Cushing, Sandi Medendorp, Ron Lebeiko, and Alexa Munoz had a perfect attendance record at the TSO Council meetings during 2017-18.

### **Reports from Committees**

**Curriculum:** Chris Steele

1. The Seminar schedule for the August and September quarter-break is: August 30 Infrastructure Report Card; September 6 Bellevue Traffic (on-site); September 11 iPhone; September 12 Waste,

Climate, Politics; September 18 Strange Bedfellows—Saudi Arabia & US; September 19 A Call to Climate Action; September 20 Enjoying Caregiving.

2. An instructor has the equipment to teach Virtual Reality with 6 stations available for 12 students during a morning class followed by an afternoon class.
3. Room reservations are very erratic with no process to follow.
4. A backup person is needed for the reservation portion of the Website. Raj Patel who currently does reservations is curtailing his duties and will only do the reservations and month to month calendar.

Events: Steve Denison

1. Seventy-three are signed up for the picnic with 80 expected on Saturday, August 18.
2. All bills and reimbursements are paid, and arrangements are made.
3. Jerry will make a display chart of the survey results for the picnic.

Strategic Planning: Jim Maynard

1. The committee will meet Saturday afternoon (August 18).
2. The committee is composed of Jim Maynard, Chair, Jerry Bunce, Chris Steele, Ron Lebeiko, Sandi Medendorp, Chuck Kimbrough, and Tim Hay.
3. There is some thought about a complaint because of equity and TSO is a protected class.

Telescope: Sandi Medendorp

The current edition can be read by email, but the published version will be available in a month.

Old Business: None

New Business

A proposed amendment to the Bylaws that would change the wording in Article VII Section A from “The TSO shall abide by all **applicable** policies. . .” to “The TSO shall abide by all **reasonable** policies. . .” was withdrawn.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 5 pm.

Next Meeting: The next meeting is September 19, 2018, 3:30 pm, Room 1120

Submitted by Alexa Munoz, Secretary