

OLL Board of Directors Meeting February 10, 2022

Meeting called to order at 11:05

- Agenda

Jacki Gordon moved to accept the agenda; seconded Davis Myler; motion passed unanimously

- Roll Call

Board Members present: Suzanne Grant, Dottie Bellinger, Abraham Torres, John Dumser, Marirose Lescher, Phil Schlak, Jacki Gordon, Marirose Lescher, Lina Negrete, Jose Luis Zarate, Mary Phillips

Board Members absent: Mark Leyes, John Burch

Board Members late:

Staff:

Visitors: Peter McCallion, Gloria Yeatman, Nancy Cook

- Approval of Agenda

David Myler moved to approve the agenda; Dottie seconded; motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of Minutes BOD meeting January 13, 2022

Moved to approved the agenda; seconded; motion passed unanimously

- Announcements

On behalf of the board John recognized members of the board who were attending their last meeting. Jacki Gordon, Suzanne Grant, Dottie Bellinger, Ron Grant

- President's Report

1. The architect of hotel has been in conversation with board members about the facade and how the library's facade will appear. Hotel owners and the architect are being flexible.
2. Connie, the person replacing Oscar at the front desk has done a wonderful job of taking the reins. She's fitting in well. A new volunteer, Gary, has been a help with several aspects involved in running the library.
3. The mask requirement has been accepted by patrons.
4. Kathy Pekel, Chair of the Volunteer Committee, is bringing in a lot of new volunteers
5. John commented that, indeed, we broke even at the holiday event. The comments by visitors at the last board meeting presented a different perspective.
6. Board Meetings will be moved to the 3rd Thursday of each month. That will make it easier for the treasurer to include all important information in the treasurer's report. The first meeting of the new BOD will be the 3rd Thursday of April.
7. John reported that there had been a person disrupting meetings/events at the library and suggested what we could do about it.

- Treasurer's Report

We had a great January. OLL ended up with a net income of 139,079.32. The committees have done a great job offering events that have been popular and brought money into the library.

- Outstanding Business

Fundraising

The Ensuring Our Future fundraising committee has raised exactly \$1,000,000 MXN. There may be additional monies held by the OLLF that have not yet been reported to us.

More than 263 individual donations and a few monthly donations will come in and will continue through September and possibly beyond. Donors' names came from

12 different lists. All lists were checked and duplicate names removed, and then collated so that each name went into a database for outreach only once.

Notes are going out to remind pledge donors of their pledges and to ask for their current plans.

Ideas are being explored for thanking donors.

A survey was developed to ask Ambassadors to evaluate their roles, their training and ease of use of Little Green Light. Ambassadors will be polled via email or phone.

The campaign is scheduled to end with the AGAM 2022, though donations are always accepted.

Donataria Autorizada Status

Paperwork has been submitted to the Notario. He will be working with our accountant. He knows exactly what we will need to supply or do to get the status. Some of the things the notario suggests is that there are things that we do that are not in compliance with our constitution. It's a process that will take some time. A lot of coordination and the board will eventually decide whether we want it or not. We need to take the steps slowly so we won't be sorry later about what we've changed.

BOD Self Evaluation

This was the first time this process was used. John wants to use the evaluations as a base line to see where we are and use that to move forward. Satisfaction with how the board was doing had an average total of "3." Comments showed that the pandemic did influence how we all felt about how the board is doing. The decision was made that a packet of important information for new board members will be gathered by Dottie, Suzanne, Marirose and Jacki.

-New Business

AGAM - Vetting Floor Nominations. If someone is nominated from the floor that person needs to be ready to introduce themselves and explain why they would be a good candidate for the position. That person's name would be added to the ballot.

OLL 2022 Budget

Not finished at this time. Should be done by AGAM meeting

- Standing Committee Reports

Jacki asked a member of the book committee to list the books that have been banned.

There's been some confusion about whether board members or committee chairs about when a purchase can be made. Personal credit cards should not be used. When making a purchase be sure to ask Adriana or let her know that a purchase has been made and a factura should be requested and given to Adriana.

- Next Meeting - No meeting due to AGAM March 19

Meeting adjourned at 11:20. Suzanne moved to adjourn. Dottie seconded.

Any member interested in attending the meeting via zoom should contact Mary Phillips, mbp89us@yahoo.com for the link.