

## RI Council Minutes for July 25, 2023 On Campus in FIC031

<u>Council Members Attending:</u> Shirley Bigley, Page Campbell, Elizabeth Fanto, Joe Lapicki, Betty Loafmann, Laurie Rosenberg, Susan Serotte, Denis Smith, Kathy Stone, Terry Weisser, & Tim Casey. <u>RI Administration:</u> Sandy Adams <u>Council Members Unable to Attend:</u> Ken Pfeifer, Kay Pulcinella, Beth Volk

Communications- Tim

Exec Comm Meeting August 30 @ 9:30 On Campus Council Meeting & Recognition Luncheon August 30 @ 11am On Campus A Council Agenda & any specific details about the Luncheon will be communicated in advance.

## Council Follow-Up Tasks

The following items focused on the Fall Semester start-up:

- 1) Classrooms Availability Update- Shirley
  - FIC018 can function as our new Library. The logistics to facilitate & any needed additional support will be coordinated by the Library Committee & RI Admin.
  - FIC021 is available for RI use, TBD. The next steps are to reorganize, clean, & determine its use. Curriculum Committee & RI Admin will coordinate.
  - FOU015, called the Riley Room, is needed for larger classes & RI Singers. Shirley is following up.

FOU015 helps free up FIC003.

Closed classes are not causing member concerns, at this point.

## 2) Bus Driver Update- Shirley

- 10 experienced & credentialed drivers are being vetted through a process coordinated by Shirley & NDMU Public Safety.
- 3) RI Admin- Shirley conveyed:

Pharmacy School is interested in supporting member health checks & vaccinations. Art Seminar Group film series collaboration w/ RI at NDMU/Loyola Library is a success. Top positions for IT & Conference Services are vacant. These services are critical to RI.

- 4) New and Returning Members' Orientation- Joe is coordinating.
  - Monday, August 28, 2023, at 10:00am on Zoom
- 5) Social Committee Welcome Party- Bev is coordinating.

Thursday, September 7, 2023, August Newsletter will have details.

" Come for the Classes Stay for the Friendships"



<u>RI Council Meeting – July 25<sup>th</sup> Registration Report</u>- Joe gave the following update.

- 1. General Update
  - Total Membership to date is 232
    - Current Members 213
    - $\circ$  New / Returning Members 18
    - Members who indicated they will register but have not yet 14
    - Total current projected Membership 245
- 2. Master List Update
  - Master List of Prior Members List A (Contacting 98 members that were unregistered on 06/06/23)
    - 32 have registered (12 since last month)
    - 9 will not register
    - o 57 are still not registered Contact again?
    - 14 of the 57 have stated they will register
  - Master List of Prior Members List B (Contacting 22 members that were unregistered on 06/06/23)
    - 2 have registered
    - 5 will not register
    - 15 are still not registered Contact again?
  - Master List of Prior Members List C, D, E, F (148 members that were unregistered on 06/06/23)
    - $_{\odot}$   $\,$  All were emailed Catalog and invited back on 07/01/23  $\,$
    - 5 have registered
    - 35 will not register due to several reasons
    - o 108 are still not registered No further contact?
  - Master List of Prior Referrals (204 referrals that were unregistered on 06/06/23)
    - All were emailed Catalog on 05/11/23
    - All were emailed reminders on 06/22/23
    - o 3 have registered No further contact?
  - Master List of Fall 2023 New Referrals
    - 11 of the 30 have registered
    - 1 will not register

Registration Report Discussion:

- 1) Joe's documentation of the reasons for those not returning will be useful Member data.
- 2) Agreed there will be registrations in August of prior members, based on history.
- RI Admin will email an August registration reminder with timing coordinated by Joe & Sandy.
- 3) Agreed no follow-up needed at this time for Prior Members Lists C, D, E, F & Prior Referrals.



## New Member Outreach:

- 1. A letter requesting registered members' engagement in new member outreach was sent.
- 2. Task Force Initiatives:
  - a. Open House- Laurie reported an Open House Event is planned for October 10.
  - An Event agenda has been proposed & will be emailed to Council members for comment.
  - Laurie will coordinate the Event & conduct it through the Social Committee.
  - Date & time of day will be confirmed & communicated to Shirley & a room reserved.
  - b. Advertising- Page reported on several publications with some pricing information. There is a budget of \$2000, at the moment. We discussed other publications & will continue to explore advertising opportunities & report progress to the Council.
  - c. Community Outreach- Terry has written & will submit an article to *Homeland News*. It traces the origins of RI & describes its features. Sr. Feeley was consulted & contributed to it. This will be sent out this week. A copy will be shared with the Council. We agreed it would serve as a model for other outreach purposes.
  - Next Door Posting- Terry reported on the progress of using NextDoor.
    A plan was implemented for those who will/have written & responded.
    We are getting views & comments.
  - e. RI Facebook- Tim reported we will work to enhance our FB presence.

<u>OLLI Conference Key Points Update</u>- Page reviewed the key points offered by each of the conference attendees: Page, Sandy, Beth, Elizabeth, Amanda, and Tim.

• More detailed findings & possibly recommendations will be presented at a later date. One idea discussed was to record member skills and backgrounds that might be useful to advance RI objectives. The group felt the conference was worthwhile and helpful.

Respectfully submitted, Elizabeth & Tim