

ICL Governing Board Minutes May 12, 2008

President Bob Allen called the meeting to order at 1 PM.

Present: Bob Allen, Bob Masterson, Betty Morley, Joe Maladra, Sue Harty, Don Carlson, Tom Dooley, Peter Marron, Marge Olszewski, Mike Thompson, Margo Temple, Marilyn Lind, Debby Miller, Cathy Jenson, Lois Nissen, Dorothy Murphy, John Wiese, David Sullivan, Norine Tempelman, Mary Fioretti.

Not Present: Karl Gabbey, Terri Collins.

It was moved by Don Carlson and seconded by Norine Tempelman to approve the minutes of the April, 2008 Governing Board. The motion passed.

Committee Items Requiring Board Attention:

Mailing May 27. This mailing will include the following items: Cubs outing flier, By Laws with explanation of changes needing member vote at Annual Meeting, Summer Study Groups, Field Trips, Annual Meeting/Lunch/Entertainment information.

ICL Master Calendar: These items were added to the Calendar.

June 24 or 26. Arlington Race Track event organized by Debby Miller.
July 25 Field Trip to Oriental Institute at Univ. of Chicago and the Frank Lloyd Wright Robie House.
August 22 Field Trip to Farnsworth House and winery.

Focus Group Summary. Four focus groups of ICL members met and responded to four questions. Bob Allen summarized common responses to these questions.

What do you like best about ICL? Variety of study groups; great people; winter lecture series; field trips; winter and summer study groups; special seminars; low cost “a bargain.”

What do you like least about ICL? Long and repetitive announcements; small screens and bad sound system in large rooms; ICL getting too big; no good piano.

What should ICL start doing? Change format of “Taste of ICL;” have more multiple day field trips; repeat popular study groups; more seminars.

Members indicated support for holding ICL events “off site”, if necessary, and suggested many venues in local area to be considered.

It was agreed that individual committees should study the Focus Group Summary and decide how that committee activities are impacted. It was mentioned that focus groups

were mainly made up of long time ICL members so the results may not reflect the opinions of newer members. Peter Marron gallantly volunteered to call new members and ask the same basic questions to see what their reactions are.

Proposed ICL Strategic Plan: The Ad Hoc Strategic Plan Committee headed by Lois Nissen has been meeting for many months. A copy of their proposed plan was presented to the board prior to this meeting. Bob Allen led a discussion which took each item step by step. The board noted a few errors and suggested some changes, then voted on the plan.

Changes suggested by board:

1. In section IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN

Monitor and evaluate ICL's Administrative Activities

Add: "Monitor availability of space and support from Roosevelt University; take action as appropriate." Responsibility of President and Vice President

2. Delete the word "quality" from the subheading Maintain quality control for all ICL activities.

3. Under section Membership change bullet point "As a minimum, retain present membership levels" to read "Maintain present membership levels."

4. Two spelling errors were noted and changed.

Motion: It was moved by Debby Miller and seconded by David Sullivan to accept the ICL Strategic Plan as amended. Board voted to approve.

Slate of Officers: Nominating committee chair, Lois Nissen, announced the slate of officers to be presented for election at the Annual Meeting in June.

For President: Bob Masterson

For Vice President: Sue Harty

For Secretary: Carol Keegan

For Treasurer: Don Carlson

For Member at Large: Harry Trumfio, Earl Arnold, Joan Reisen, David Sullivan

Report from Mary Fioretti.

1. Dr. Bud Beatty of RU will address ICL members at our Annual Meeting to explain a mentoring program for RU students. We will be asked to fill out a survey regarding job history and interests. Bob Allen asked Mary to have Bud share the results with ICL.

2. Summer plans. There will be no lunch food service at RU this summer. The college is installing a basketball court and athletic fields for student use.

3. Mary will not be in the ICL office this Friday as she will be receiving an award from Illinois Chapter of the National School Public Relations Association (INSPRA) in the “community member” category. Mary is cited as a strong advocate for public education who has worked to promote literacy, fair funding and innovative teaching. She served as School Board President in District 300 and is responsible for many creative projects to benefit students.

Finance Committee: Joe Maladra proposed spending some of ICL surplus funds. An Ad Hoc Committee compiled two lists of potential Non-Budgetary items to be considered for Board approval. These lists were detailed in committee reports sent prior to the meeting.

Motion: It was moved by Norine Tempelman and seconded by Don Carlson to accept the list for the year 2007/2008 as amended. It was pointed out that Item # 10, Consulting Fees, should be \$1500.00.

After discussion there was a motion to amend the list. It was moved by Bob Masterson and seconded by Tom Dooley to add another item. Item #11. Field Trips \$500.00. Board voted to approve the amendment. This would bring the total to \$24,750.00.

Board voted to approve the amended motion.

Motion: it was moved by Joe Maladra and seconded by Don Carlson to accept as amended the list proposed for the year 2008/2009. Item #7. Consulting was changed to \$1500.00.

Bob Allen turned over the position as President to Vice President Bob Masterson for the purpose of presenting a motion. It was moved by Bob Allen and seconded by Cathy Jensen to change the wording of item #5 to read “lecture series” and to delete the words “study group lecturers.” Board voted to approve the amendment. This would bring the total to \$14,550.00.

Board voted to approve the amended motion. Bob Allen resumed position as President.

The next Governing Board Meeting is June 2 at 1 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30.

Respectfully submitted, Betty Morley ICL Secretary