

CLL Monthly Membership Meeting Minutes from

Monday, October 2, 2023

Montgomery Room - Clubhouse 1 at 10 a.m. and via Zoom

Attendance in Person - JoAnn Gellman, Janet Danziger, Fred Shapiro, Kathleen Healy, Paul Levy, Jim Roddy, Savitri Taneja, Anne Martin, Paul Eisenhaur, Semoon Chang, and Peter Gorham. Guest: Jean Hjelle.

Attendance via Zoom - No Zoom.

The meeting was called to order by JoAnn Gellman at 10:14 a.m.

Minutes of the September 11, 2023 meeting were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report/Budget - Savitri Taneja - August 2023 ending balance was \$6,388.61. On September 15, 2023, check 1372 for \$36.89 was cashed. Ending balance as of September 26, 2023 is \$6,351.72.

Sales and Use Tax Exemption Available - John Feldman is in possession of the card and JoAnn Gellman and Savitri Taneja each have a copy. Should any CLL Director need the tax-exempt number, please reach out to one of them.

Curriculum Committee Report - JoAnn Gellman –

Janet Danziger - the CLL window box is up-to-date. Janet thanked Fred Shapiro for his excellent news articles which are displayed in the window box.

Paul Eisenhaur - Fireside Forum held a discussion on Sunday, October 1, 2023. It is back up and running and in good standing.

Peter Gorham - ACIS, "Managing Chronic Illnesses", will be scheduling a six-week session on Saturdays from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. in mid to late January 2024.

Volunteers Needed to Introduce Instructors – the following individuals have volunteered:

- Jean Hjelle – Instructors Richard Smith and Paul Levy
- Janet Danziger – Instructor Aaron Navarro
- Anne Martin – Instructor Richard Smith
- Paul Eisenhaur – Instructor Teresa Blair

Events Committee - Fred Shapiro -

Fred has been in contact with Kelly Slab of the Family & Nursing Care group to schedule CLL presentations.

Vanda Cardoso Alano and Shaya Tehranian, Bank of America – “Scam and Fraud Protection – Protecting Your Money”, will have to be rescheduled.

Chris Palmer – “Decluttering: Why it Matters and How to Do it”, is scheduled for Tuesday, January 9, 2024. The articles will be published in the December 2023 issues of the Leisure World newspaper.

Website - Kathy Healy/John Feldmann - Kathy and John continue to update the website. Kathy has reached out to JoAnn Gellman and Fred Shapiro to review the current Instructor information and the CLL history on the website.

Membership Software - Monroe Elbrand /Kathy Healy - the current CLL membership is 676. Monroe Elbrand sent out two emails to the membership.

Old Business –

Chromebook Purchases and Display - it was requested that John Feldmann schedule a demonstration and prepare written instructions.

CLL Email Address Using LWMC Domain? - JoAnn Gellman will try to identify which domain the Baby Boomers are using for their bulk email to membership.

Approved Meeting Calendar for 2024 - the Board of Directors approved the calendar. It is unknown whether or not John Feldmann has received room reservation confirmation from the Lifestyle Department.

CLL Business Plan - Eventbrite Discussion - no update.

New Business –

Lifestyle Department Room Set-up Issues - Anne Martin indicated that CLL reported Lifestyle Department issues should be documented in the meeting minutes. Jim Roddy stated that he had emailed the Lifestyle Department about his current class, “The Lost Worlds of South America”. JoAnn Gellman requested that Jim’s emails be included in today’s meeting minutes under the heading of “New Business”. Below are the unedited emails:

From: James roddy <jroddy2021@yahoo.com>

Sent: Saturday, September 9, 2023 2:05 PM

To: Ray Desir <rdesir@lwmc.com>

Subject: South America class

Ray,

I'm an instructor for CLL and led a class on South America on Sept 7. I went to The Lifestyle office the week before to check on what equipment had been requested. There was no request sheet but I found out that my class had been shifted from the Montgomery Room to the Chesapeake Room. I filled out the request sheet asking for a laptop, TV and DVD player and mic. I also asked to have tables in the front of the room surrounded by chairs. I put a sign on the Montgomery Room that the class was moved to Chesapeake. I arrived at 9AM for a 9:30 class and found chairs in the front and tables in the back where there was no AC outlet. No TV or DVD player, only a mic. I went to the Lifestyle office about 9:10 to request a TV and DVD and Jose' and helper arrived about 9:20 with the equipment and helped me set up and make sure everything was working OK> Class went without any major technical glitches.

Hopefully we can work to simplify the process. I'd like to convince others to be instructors also, but it's a hard sell unless we can simplify the process.

Jim Roddy

On Monday, September 11, 2023 at 05:30:07 PM EDT, Ray Desir <rdesir@lwmc.com> wrote:

Hello Mr. Roddy, if you haven't already done so, please stop at clubhouse I and ask for Tobey, she will help you setting up the class sheet. I am going to forward your email to her so she can make sure that you get all the information ready before your next class.

Raymonde Desir (Ray), Lifestyle Manager

Leisure World of Maryland Corporation

From: James roddy <jroddy2021@yahoo.com>

To: Ray Desir <rdesir@lwmc.com>

Sent: Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 02:36:14 PM EDT

Subject: Re: South America class

Ray,

I filled out the class sheet a week before the class. They told me i had 14 students and that the class was in the Chesapeake room. Jim

From: James roddy <jroddy2021@yahoo.com>

Sent: Saturday, September 16, 2023 8:50 AM

To: Ray Desir <rdesir@lwmc.com>

Subject: Second South America class

The Chesapeake Room was set up with tables and chairs and the needed equipment when I arrived. While I was setting up my equipment, one of the ladies in the class arrived and told me that the lobby display had the class listed for the Potomac room. She volunteered to inform Lifestyle and to check the Potomac room and inform them about the Chesapeake room. About 10 minutes before class, Jose's helper, Ramon(?) stopped by to make sure all the equipment was working. Class went smoothly.

Jim

From: Ray Desir <rdesir@lwmc.com>

To: James roddy <jroddy2021@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, September 18, 2023 at 11:11:00 AM EDT

Subject: RE: Second South America class

Thanks for the update.

Raymonde Desir (Ray)
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Fee for Zoom Classes - Anne Martin suggested that this topic be added as an action item. CLL needs to continue discussing whether or not there should be fees assessed for the Zoom classes.

Paul Levy requested that the CLL Treasurer, Savitri Taneja, identify and report back to CLL what it costs to offer a course. Paul emphasized it has been an on-going issue that CLL does not know what the room rental, materials, supplies, etc. actually cost. The information received from the Lifestyle Department is not itemized. We do not know what amount of the course fee is retained by Lifestyle and what amount is provided to CLL. CLL is a business and we should know this important and required information.

Peter Gorman stated that it is a fundamental requirement of a 501c3 non-profit organization to have accurate expense reports. Should CLL be audited and found to be deficient, we could lose our non-profit status.

It was decided that once John Feldmann returns, Anne Martin and Savitri Taneja will coordinate with him and work with the Lifestyle Department to request the proper and itemized CLL expense reports.

Paul Levy also mentioned that prior to COVID, CLL would offer instructors a small stipend and we may want to consider resuming that practice. JoAnn Gellman stated that there would have to be clear guidelines and rules established prior to any reinstatement.

Savitri Taneja expressed concern with Sandy Spring Bank and stated she has experienced ongoing problems with their on-line banking system and statements. Savitri requested consideration for CLL to change to another banking establishment. JoAnn Gellman will discuss with John Feldmann upon his return.

Paul Levy expressed appreciation to Savitri Taneja for her hard work and dedication to CLL.

Good and Welfare – no update.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Next Meeting - Monday, November 6, 2023 at 10 a.m. in the Montgomery Room.

Minutes by Kathleen Healy