

## Minutes of the September 12, 2016 NFLL Council Meeting

### Attendees:

President: Marlin Fried

Vice President: Richard Riley

Secretary: Sharen Kellogg

Treasurer: Fred Searing

Past President: Pat De Blake

### Members at Large:

Helen Jones

Steve Johnson

### Committee Chairs:

Membership: Kim Gillespie

Communications: Barbara Thelander, Peggy Randolph

Volunteer: Gwyndolynn Gentry

Social: Peggy Schulz

Curriculum: Margo Heaps, Jennifer Wong

### MCC Liaisons:

Pat Esparza

Neva Hansen

### Guests:

Allan Zisner

Sam Wong

Meeting was called to order at 9:30 by the president with a quorum present. Minutes of the August meeting were approved.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

There was no report, as no information was received from MCC.

### **MCC Liaison Report:**

Pat Esparza talked about some concerns she and Neva Hansen had about the recent Open House. She cited the long line and wait time for new members/orientation and had some recommendations for avoiding these in the future. Her suggestions included providing additional enrollment help, using the wait time for providing some additional information to new members and giving realistic time expectations. She also told about some unexpected challenges the MCC staff had, such as computer fluctuations, copier issues, etc.

### **Membership Committee:**

There were fewer people at Open House. Everything went well except for the registration process. Marlin said he felt that Open House went very well and the social interaction among members was very positive.

The committee will be meeting next week to discuss the New Member Coffee. She requested all NFLL Officers attend, along with Committee Chairs.

**Curriculum Committee:**

Some errors were discovered in the Fall Schedule of classes. They will be corrected in Pro Class and members will be sent a correction sheet.

Open house set up/take down went well. Having information on the table for each class was successful, and was especially useful if a facilitator was not present

November 1 is the deadline for Spring class proposals.

**Volunteer Committee:**

Gwyndolynn reported that there was a good response to volunteer suggestions at Open House. Many new members were interested in volunteering for Empty Bowls. There were other positive responses by possible volunteers.

**Communications Committee:**

The member mailing was accomplished on August 31.

The NFLL website is under review. Allan Zisner is the new webmaster. He stated that he is not redesigning the website. Kathy Kimball has volunteered to examine some ideas on designing a website. Updates will be made to Council and Committee Chairs as they become available.

**Social Committee:**

The Committee's table at Open House had a lot of visitors. Many members signed up for future events. There will be a tour of Airbase Arizona at Falcon Field in September and a tour of the Railroad Museum in October.

Preparations for the Holiday Party scheduled for December are ongoing, with the menu and decorations planned. The committee is still looking for entertainers.

Out to Lunch on October 14 will be at the Elephant Bar at Chandler Mall.

**Members at Large:**

Helen Jones reported that some members had concerns about the new registration method, but all had worked out well.

Steve Johnson said he enjoyed seeing members at the Open House, and had a good time mixing with them.

This was followed by a further discussion about Open House by several other members.

**Old Business:**

Marlin led a short discussion regarding ways to recruit members for committees, etc.

He reported on the progress of scholarship information.

Richard Riley said the nominations are ready for Marlin to inform members of candidates for Council offices.

The All-Member meeting will be November 4 at Red Mountain and has invited Associate Provost for Red Mountain, Dr. Nora Reyes to give an update on Red Mountain activities.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:50.

Next Council meeting will be October 10, 2016.

Submitted by Sharen Kellogg October 3, 2016.

