

## **QUEST COUNCIL MEETING.....MONDAY March 2, 2020**

President Bob Gottfried opened the meeting at 2:30. All Council members were present.

### **TREASURERS REPORT**

Steve Allen reported that there is only a slight change in projections vs the current budget from his report at the February Council meeting...income from membership fees is still projected at \$145,000 and total expenses are now projected at \$137,500, \$2,500 less than last month's projection, leading to a \$7,500 annual surplus. The reasons for this decrease area: (1) \$1,400 lower than budgeted honoraria, due to the scheduling of an extra Kenn/Leedom/:Peter Cott lecture that is paid for out of reserve funds, a holiday eliminating one talk and two speakers accepting lower fees than had been budgeted; (2) lower than projected expenses for website support, due to the new website design allowing almost all needed changes to be performed by Quest members rather than needing outside help.

There has been no change in Quest's reserves since the last Council meeting. They remain at roughly \$800,000

### **LIAISON REPORTS**

Reports from the Council Liaisons with various committees were reviewed. The main issue was a question regarding the Curriculum Committee. There is a possibility that there will be enough new courses this Fall that more time slots would have 3 full courses rather than 2 full courses. The general consensus of

the Council was that should not be a problem, given our increased membership.

### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

For the Membership report, we anticipate that there will be a loss about 30 to 35 current members over the Summer which will allow room to add new members in the Fall. Michael Wellner reported that there are currently 263 active members. We anticipate that there will lose about 30 to 35 current members over the Summer which will allow room to add new members in the Fall.

### **DIVERSITY COMMITTEE**

Frieda reported that the trip over Columbus Day Weekend to the South should stimulate the Diversity thinking

### **NEC**

Marion reported that there are candidates set for V.P. Treasurer, Secretary. We have one person for each slot. Also there are 3 open slots for Council-at-large seats. Right now there are 6 candidates for the 3 slots.

### **NEW COPY MACHINE.**

The Council approved the leasing of a more modern copy machine than the one we currently lease. It will be faster, more

compact, and will allow some color copying. The cost will be an additional \$50 per month.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Phil Gisser brought up the Corona Virus and presented statistics as to the susceptibility of Seniors in contracting the disease. Bob Gottfried bought and set up “hand washing stations” in the lunch rooms to assist in hand washing.

**Michael brought in a sample tote bag in accordance with the proposal passed at our February 10 meeting that Quest would distribute souvenir tote bags at our 25th Anniversary party. Council approved the proposed tote bag design.**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40

Respectfully submitted

Carolyn McGuire

Secretary