

OLL Board of Directors Meeting January 13, 2022
Meeting called to order at 11:00 am

- Roll Call

Board members present: John Dumser, David Myler, Doug Long, Mary Phillips, John Burch, Dottie Bellinger, Suzanne Grant, Jose Luis Zarate, Ron Grant, Lina Negrete, Jackie Gordon

Board members absent: Marirose Lescher

Board members late: Phil Schlak, Abraham Torres

Visitors: Gloria Yeatman, Kate Hart, Bliss Wilson, Peter McCallion

-Agenda

The Agenda was amended to include a review and modification of the OLL Covid Policy

- Approval of Agenda

David moved to approve the agenda as amended; seconded by Doug Long; motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of Minutes BOD meeting December 09, 2021

David moved to approve the minutes; Suzanne seconded; motion passed unanimously.

- Announcements

The Boutique Sale has been postponed.
Recognition event for Volunteers has been postponed

President's Report

1. Meeting of Committee Chairs. - To be rescheduled.

2. Lease Contract:

- a. New contract to initiate in April 2022

- b. The rent is set at 25k net. It is an increase of 8k . It is 4k increase for each apartment. There has not been an increase for 2 years

- c. Contract will include a review of the rent amount every 2 years

3. Facade:

Architect would like the facade of the library to match the front gate of the hotel. There are options that are being considered and discussed.

- a. Drawing of the hotel vision for the OLL facade to be presented.
 - b. Cost estimate will be brought to BOD for discussion and approval - No commitment by OLL to proceed yet.
4. OLL does not have access to use the alleyway entrance for any events. It is just access to library. We will have keys to front gate. No murals painted in entryway.
 5. Emails- Doug working on this. Jan 23 is the deadline. Emails not being used will be purged from The system. Reinstatement will be on a case by case basis. We will be getting rid of the lesser used emails to save on the cost. Doug will be purging the system soon.
 6. Board Self Evaluation - Agenda item for discussion. We will leave the discussion until February. BOD members were thanked for participating and reminded to have another look before the discussion.
 7. John had a message from someone who was on a hike and learned that a hiker had Covid. John contacted Larry. Larry had contacted everyone on the hike and let them know. Our protocols are mask wearing in the van and in populated areas. Vaccination proof required to board van.

Treasurer's Report

This month has been a little difficult because of information that was not, yet, available. We were late on getting the OLF reports. Marirose reported that it was a good month for the library. Marirose will have the written report ready for the next meeting.

- Outstanding Business

Fundraising

- We now have raised more than \$950,000 MXN. There may be additional monies held by the OLLF that have not yet been reported to us.
- More than 235 individual donations; a few monthly donations come in and will continue through September.
- Donations have come in from a list of almost 1000 former members and from an "end of year; beginning of year" reminder letter.
- Notes are going out to remind pledge donors of their pledges and to ask for their current plans.
- A Donors Appreciation Party was set for the end of January, but the committee now feels that it should be postponed due to Covid safety issues.
- A survey was developed to ask Ambassadors to evaluate their roles, their training, and ease of use of Little Green Light.
- The official Ensuring Our Future campaign is scheduled to conclude at the end of January though donations are always accepted. The committee would like a small pitch to be made at the beginning of events, reminding people that we are working to replenish funds depleted through the pandemic.

Donatario Autorizada Status

Ongoing. Jose Luis, John, and Isabel, our accountant, will meet nexweek with a notario and will put together a document which will allow us to get DA status. We will be asking what we have and/or need to change with our constitution. That may include some changes to the bylaws. There may be things that we can have as separate documents.

Jose Luis who has been part of obtaining DA status for Libros Para Pueblos mentioned that the accountant working on it may need to consult to understand what needs to be done. A non profit which is also able to receive donations is a different kind of organization. John reminded the board that it's a process that takes time. We may not have it before the AGAM. John is anxious to get it done. Dottie commended the group for getting this done.

Technology Group

The group is working in two areas. Volunteers will be working with Doug to determine where we are with our technology. Other volunteers are working with events. Overall, the entire group is getting organized. We have March, April and May to work on consolidating some of the technology we have and get our email back to where it should be. John thanked Doug for pulling things together for us.

Review the Covid Policy

Dottie suggested that we take a look at our policy because of the recent Omicron variant. John suggested that we take a look at the two documents submitted, one from Dottie and one from Doug.

David moved the adoption of the two documents blended together. Jose Luis seconded the motion. Motioned approved unanimously. Dottie and Doug will meet to merge the two documents.

A few suggestions were aired.

- New Business

Future fundraising initiatives — Create Development Committee?

Annual General Assembly Meeting. (AGAM)

- a. Date—March 19, 2022, 1:00
- b. Type — It was decided to do a hybrid meeting

- Standing Committee Reports

- Meeting was adjourned at 12:19. Suzanne moved to adjourn and Dottie seconded.

- Next Meeting, February 10, 2022 11:00 AM

Any member interested in attending the meeting via zoom should contact Mary Phillips, mbp89us@yahoo.com for the link.