

BRANDEIS DESERT CHAPTER

Amended Minutes of Board Meeting November 16, 2020

PRESENT: Marcia Plumleigh, Madeline Murphy, Charlene Williamson, Carol Radin, Jean Carrus, Sally Brockman, Marcia Daniels, Eleanor Blank, Gail Fisher, Gail Minkow, Judy Shultz, Gail Baum, Cecilia Cohen, Andrea Butler

ABSENT: Linda Bergman, Sally Markowitz, Trudi Munro, Barbara Friedman

The meeting was held in a Zoom format. Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Marcia attended a meeting with BNC and was now on a committee entitled "Structure Action Task Force." This committee is looking into what the future means for BNC other than being virtual. They want parents of alumni to be contacted and asked to join BNC. Eleanor was previously told by BNC that they would not provide a list of names for alumni. Jean said it was a non-issue as the alumni have their own fundraisers. Gail Fisher suggested that National send letters to active Senior Communities to inform them about Brandeis and perhaps they would form a group in their community. She also suggested placing an ad in the News & Views.

NEW MEMBER: Andrea Butler was welcomed as a new member to the Board.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the October 19, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Eleanor Blank to approve the Minutes and seconded by Marcia Daniels. Minutes were approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jean Carrus gave the Treasurer's report: Balance in checking account is \$10,263.87. Cecilia Cohen made Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report and Marcia Daniels seconded. Treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

TRIBUTES: Eleanor received \$45.00 for tributes in the last month. She requested that each member of the Board pay \$20.00 to replenish that tribute fund. Cecilia asked Eleanor if she still had cards available. Eleanor stated that she has some, but since employees are working off-site at National, she has been unable to get more cards. The names of those who made tributes will be posted on the website and in the Bulletin.

MEMBERSHIP: Eleanor said there are 126 members. Calls will be made to members asking them to renew. Sally Brockman will call all new members and welcome them to the group.

SPECIAL EVENTS: Gail Fisher and Marcia Daniels were thanked for handling the Bingo night so well. They received good review calls from participants. There will be no University on Wheels. Jean said that Merle Carrus does interviews with authors. Marcia Plumleigh will call her about setting up a Book & Author event for January, 2021. Marcia Daniels suggested that we send an eblast survey asking members what they would like to have on zoom as an event. For December, Charlene suggested we have a virtual holiday party get together.

STUDY GROUPS: Carol Radin said all the money for the paid study groups has been given to Celina. The groups are functioning very well on zoom. Marcia Plumleigh praised all the groups on how well they are performing.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to Adjourn was made by Carol Radin and seconded by Charlene Williamson. Meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: December 21, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Madeline Murphy
Recording Secretary