

FIVE COLLEGE LEARNING IN RETIREMENT
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
May 2-4, 2020
Online

Because of Covid19 the Annual Meeting for 2020 was held online. LIR members could access the meeting from May 2, 2020, 6:00 pm to May 4, 2020, 6:00 pm., read the text of the various items on the agenda and type in responses in sections where appropriate. Remarks by retiring president and incoming president were pre-recorded.

108 members attended the meeting. 99 were needed to form a quorum. Comments from participants were overwhelmingly positive.

There should have been vote for a By-Law amendment at this meeting but it will be included with Council election instead.

1. Welcoming Message - Jake Greenburg, President
Welcome to first and probably only virtual Learning in Retirement Annual Meeting.
Even though we are not gathered together in the usual way, we have attempted to present all of the proceedings that would normally occur during an annual meeting.
2. Approval of Minutes of the 2019 Annual Meeting
Minutes were approved.
3. Budget presentation - Nancy Mihevc, Treasurer
Budget for upcoming year FY2020-2021 (July 1-June 30) is \$70,200.
Since fiscal year isn't over until June 30 the annual report for 2019-2020 is not yet available.
4. Nominating Committee selection of nominees for the office of:
President - Nancy Denig (already elected)
Vice-President/President-Elect - Tyll van Geel

Secretary - Bev von Kries
Treasurer - Monroe Rabin
Assistant Treasurer - Dudley Williams
Margaret Russell is the Chair of the Nominating Committee

5. Request for additional nominations for Council Officers
There was one nomination from the floor but it was a misunderstanding.
6. Introduction of At-Large nominees to Council (3-year term) from 2019-2020 seminars.
In accordance with LIR Bylaws no further nominations for Council will be accepted.
Brief statements from the nine candidates are available on line to be read as part of the meeting.
7. Request for comments from the general membership.
Thirteen online comments were made, most generally approving of online format for this annual meeting.
8. Remarks by the incoming President Nancy Denig

From Introduction of Nancy by President Jake Greenburg.

The main responsibilities of the Vice President are to work closely with all the committees and assist the president., Executive Committee and Council with resolving issues that face us. Nancy Denig took on this role with a tremendous energy, spirit and commitment.

She begins her term in a very uncertain period. I know that she will guide LIR with perseverance and diligence.

From New Presidents Remarks.

Thanks to all the many members of LIR who offered their time and talent in various ways to support and further our mission.

Special thanks and praise to Jake Greenburg for all the work he has done on our behalf under the several unexpected challenges that cropped up during his presidency.

I'll try my best to do likewise. We've already begun to meet the Covid challenge - witness our ongoing transitions to virtual media, and witness our undaunted, ongoing plans for future LIR offerings.

Stick around for these. We need you.

9. *From* Closing remarks by the President Jake Greenburg

It has been a very busy year even without the challenges we are facing today.

I want to thank all of our committee chairs and committee members who participated during this past year. I encourage everyone to read their annual reports which will soon be posted to the LIR website.

I want to express my appreciation to the Executive Committee. They have helped tremendously during the year.

I want to acknowledge and thank our Office Manager, Tisha Ferguson. She was able to continue her responsibilities seamlessly and professionally when the Covid-19 crisis changed everything.

During a regular council meeting, many opinions are obviously expressed.

Informative and energetic discussions are part of the process.

I always appreciated the ways Council managed to steer LIR in the right direction. .

It was through the commitment and extra time of everyone that helped LIR to successfully continue in this uncertain time. Hopefully, in the not too distant future we can all gather again.

It has been an honor to serve as president of 5 College Learning in Retirement and I want to thank you for your faith in me.

Even though Nancy's term does not begin until July 1 st, I virtually hand over the gavel to her.

With that I adjourn the 2020 annual meeting.

10. Adjournment of Annual Meeting