

# The Illinois Club

Board of Directors meeting on August 26, 2021

Meeting attended by Carl Altstetter, Ann Campbell, Lori Choquette, Pat Davis, Michael Haney, Susan Haney, Mary Hodson, Lynn Kelly, Christine Lyke, Christina Myers, Donna Offenbecher, Judith Robinson, Kathy Valdes, Joyce Wright, Sally Zahos, Steve Zahos

Meeting convened at 4:03 by President Offenbecher.

1. Approval of the minutes of the June 10, 2021 board meeting was proposed by Valdes, seconded by Lyke. Approved by voice vote.
2. President Offenbecher announced that Bob Davis agreed to serve as treasurer, to replace Jenny Kim.
3. Kristine Chalifoux is stepping down as Meeting co-manager.
4. Michael's catering will be providing the food and drink for the fall meeting at Campbell Alumni Center on Thursday, September 9 at 5 – 7 PM. To date, 37 people have signed up. No contract has been signed to date. A last-minute cancellation may be necessary due to Covid.
5. The holiday party on December 9 at 5 – 7 PM will be at the Siebel Center for Design, 1208 S. Fourth St., Champaign (next to Huff Gym). A tour of this new facility has been requested. There will be no charge for holding the meeting there.
6. A venue for the scholarship brunch on March 5 is under investigation. I-Hotel ~~and Urbana Country Club~~ are a possibilities possibility. Urbana Country Club has been reserved for spring event.
7. Kathy Valdes discussed the proposed budget for FY 2022 (sent by email). It is based on past income/expenditures, which have been impacted by price increases and the pandemic. Expected income: \$9800/expenses \$10,462. Lyke moved to approve, Choquette seconded. Motion passed.
8. The treasurer's report, previously emailed, showed total assets on June 30, 2021 of \$18,749.26, compared with year-end assets a year earlier of \$17,440.27.
9. Christina Myers (Newcomers) noted that the next Riggs Beer meet and greet will be at 5-7 PM on Thursday, September 2, followed by October 7 and November 4. The "party room" has been reserved.
10. Joyce Wright commented that the Scholarship Committee, now 6, needs two additional members to evaluate applications and interview applicants. Let her know at [jcwright117@gmail.com](mailto:jcwright117@gmail.com) if you are willing to help. Kathy Valdes noted that this is one of the best things that TIC does and allows you to meet some very bright students. Applications can be made from September 7 to October 16. The committee will meet in November and January, and interviews will be held in February.
11. Judith Robinson (Membership) noted that this year to date there were 110 sign-ups, compared with last year's membership of ~200. A reminder email will be sent.
12. Some interest groups may pause this year due to lack of interest or leadership. Wine-lovers is being split into two groups: Wines in Depth (Peg and Chris Huson, maximum of 20 participants meeting ~monthly) and Chill-out with Wines (Ann and Steve Long, meeting every other month).
13. Susan Haney reported that an e-newsletter would go out this weekend, followed later by a print newsletter

The next meeting of the board will be on November 11 at 4 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 5:38 PM.