Minutes
Northwestern Emeriti Organization
Executive Council Meeting
September 27, 2023 1:00 pm CDT
In-Person and Via Zoom

In attendance

Executive Council Members:
Steve Carr (President)
Jeff Garrett (Immediate Past President)
Charlotte Crane (Secretary)
Holly Clayson
Rick Cohn (NEO representative to Faculty Senate)
Emile Okal
Steve Sawyer
Joe Schofer
Victor Yampolsky

Ex-Officio:
Celina Flowers Assistant Provost for Faculty
Gina Prokopeak, Administrative Assistant

Babette Sanders, Northwestern representative to BTRA and AROHE

Absent
Kathy Rundell (Vice President and President-elect)
Mary Dedinsky (Treasurer)
Robert Tanz

Minutes

President Carr called the meeting to order shortly after 1pm.

The minutes of the August 23 meeting were approved.

Babette Sanders, designated to represent Northwestern in BTRA and AROHE, was introduced to the members of the Executive Council.
There was a brief discussion about whether an additional person to represent Northwestern in these two organizations was necessary. It appears that in the past there have sometimes been two participants at the larger meetings of these organizations, depending upon the nature of NEO's participation in the event, the level of interest and the available budget.

**The Newsletter**

NEO’s editorial board, including Holly Clayson, Mary Dedinsky, George Harmon, Joan Linsenmeier, Kathy Rundell, Al Telser, and David Zarefsky have been working with President Carr to update the formatting of the newsletter. A new masthead, with elements from those recommended by the University in its overall branding efforts as well as photographs of the campus taken by Al Telser, has been tentatively agreed upon and was shared with the group. A suggestion that a variety of photographs, both Chicago and Evanston campuses be used, perhaps in a planned rotation, was favorably received.

**Upcoming events:**

**NEO member events**

Oct 11, 2023
Prof. Karen Smilowitz, Kellogg School of Management and McCormick School of Engineering.
10:30 am Brunch, Norris Center and Zoom

It was suggested that any additional solicitation materials should contain full explanations of the nature of Prof. Smilowitz’s project.

March 14, 2024
Prof. Emer. Holly Clayson
“The Dark Side of the Eiffel Tower”
11:30 Lunch, Guild Lounge at Scott Hall and Zoom

April 2024
Professor Stephen Alltop
Millar Chapel

May 2024
“Evanston and the History of the Automobile”
Double Clutch, 2121 Ahland Avenue, Evanston
Upcoming events:

Community mini-courses. Three mini-courses have been set, with the assistance of Michal Ginsburg and Jeff Garrett.

Wed. Oct. 25, 6 p.m. and Wed. Nov. 1, 6 p.m.
Prof. Emer. Carl Smith, “The Emergence of Modern Chicago”
Evanston Library and Zoom

Tues. Feb. 6 and Feb 13, 6 p.m.
Prof. Emer. D. Soyini Madison, “Avant Garde Art in the Black World”
Evanston Library and Zoom

Thurs. April 18 and April 25, 6 p.m.
Prof. Emer. Peter Hayes, Title TBD.
Evanston Library and Zoom.

Upcoming events-additional planning of future events:
It was noted that we might well take advantage of the programs and classes sponsored by the Northwestern Alumnae as sources of ideas for presenters and topics. Several NEO members have contributed to these events.

Adjournment at 1:41 p.m. CDT.

The next council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday October 25, 2023, 1 p.m. CDT, in-person and via Zoom. There will be refreshments available at 12:30 p.m. prior to this meeting.

Future executive council meetings are scheduled for 1 p.m. Chicago time on
Nov 29
Jan 24
Feb 28
Mar 27
April 25
May 1
June 26

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte Crane Secretary to Northwestern Emeriti Organization