

ANNUAL REPORT

2016-2017

April 21, 2017



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Annual Meeting Agenda

The Trails • April 21, 2017

Welcome.....Alan Williams, President

Invocation.....SAM Pastor Chris Danielson

Trails Luncheon Buffet

Introduction of Entertainment.....Leslie Brost, VP

PMO’s Purduette Trio

Business Meeting

Approval of April 22, 2016 Annual Meeting Minutes..... Alan Williams

In Memoriam..... Kathleen Connolly, Secretary

Recognitions..... Alan Willilams

Recognition of Special Guests

Recognition of Current Board Members

Recognition of Current Chair Persons

Recognition of Retiring Board Members

Committee Reports..... Alan Williams

Board Development Committee Report..... Jim Moore, Chair

Election of New Board Members..... Alan Williams

Officer Nominating Report..... Tom Schott, Chair

Approval of Proposed By-Laws.....Dennis Sorge

Old/New Business..... Alan Williams

Announcement of Mary Fuqua Memorial Volunteer of the Year Award

Closing Remarks..... Alan Williams

Photographer: Jacques Delleur



Purduette Trio

Relive the nostalgic song stylings of the Andrews and McGuire sisters, and the big band and swing sounds of the 40s and 50s with this trio of talented vocalists that are sure to keep memories alive and toes tapping.

The Purduette Trio is just three members of the Purduettes, a musical group within Purdue Musical Organizations. Purduettes is a very talented troupe of women representing the brightest and best from a variety of majors and areas of study. Founded in 1942, Purduettes just celebrated their 75th Anniversary with a gala, which included more than 180 Purduette Alumnae joining the current Purduettes, performing favorite songs from the past.

Annual Meeting Minutes

April 22, 2016

President Dennis Sorge welcomed participants and guests. He introduced Pastor Chris Danielson from St. Andrew United Methodist Church, who presented the invocation, after which all enjoyed The Trails buffet luncheon.

After the luncheon, Vice-President Alan Williams recognized the special guests. Pastor Chris Danielson, St. Andrew UMC; Donna Biehl, St. Andrew UMC; Steve Abel, associate vice president for engagement, Purdue University; Erica Brown, West Lafayette Public Library; Rebecca Chambers, organizes and formats information for class brochures and the annual report booklet; and Mary Gardner, WALLA's founder and Purdue Coordinator.

For the day's entertainment, Vice-President Alan Williams introduced the Lafayette Jefferson High School's Jazz Band. Led by Bruce Knepper, the Jazz Band is an advanced "big Band" jazz ensemble with many awards.

Business Meeting:

President Dennis Sorge asked for approval of the 2015 Annual Meeting minutes as printed in the booklet. A motion was made by Tom Schott, seconded by Charlene Watson and passed by voice vote.

President Sorge asked current board members and committee chairs to stand and be recognized. Individual committee reports are in the annual report booklet.

Dennis announced two board retirees: Gail Beck and Bob Slagel. The two retirees were presented gift certificates from Barnes and Noble as recognition for their years of service.

Jim Moore, chair of the Board Development Committee, announced the two nominees to fill the two board vacancies: Sally Gustafson and Drew Casani. The Board Development Committee nominated the following candidates for the board in 2016: Jo Ellen Cox, Vince Green, Peggy Housley, Mary Quinn and Alan Williams. Joe Krause moved acceptance of this slate and Sarita Levinthal seconded the motion. It passed by voice vote.

Joe Krause, chair of the Officer Nominating Committee, announced the officers who will be elected at the next board meeting. They are: Alan Williams, President; Leslie Brost, Vice-President; Kathleen Connolly, Secretary; Mary Quinn, Treasurer; Gail Beck, Assistant Treasurer.

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Old/New Business:

President Dennis Sorge introduced Kathleen Connolly, board secretary, who asked for a moment of silence to remember those who had passed away since the last Annual Meeting. Memorialized were Anita Brieda, Margaret Casetta, Ken Featherstone, Richard Gelzleichter, Isadore Loepker, Kenneth Truelson, Marion Samuel, Dan Schultz and Phyllis Windle.

Dennis presented the “Mary Fuqua Volunteer of the Year” award to Howard Magadanz for his tireless work and service to WALLA.

Alan Williams and all the WALLA attendees thanked Dennis Sorge for his efforts and accomplishments over this past year.

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Submitted by Kathleen Connolly, board secretary

In Memoriam

During the last year, we have lost some very special WALLA members.

They will be missed.

Jon Amy

David Cullen Beck

Nadya J. Crecelius

Connie Criswell

Tom Housley

Susan Karcher

Bill Keirce

Mary Ann McCarthy

Clara McDonald

Katherine McMillin

Doug Morrison

James Mullen

Edward A “Ted” Reser

Pauline Grace “Skipp” Hill Shafer

Pat Spears

Mary Jo Turley

Ernest Wilkinson

President's Annual Report

It is hard to believe that 2016 is gone and that we are well into 2017. My term as president of WALLA is over, it seems, before it has started. It has been a year that I will not soon forget. WALLA continues to be a strong and vibrant organization. We continue to add new participants at a rate that allows us to maintain a strong membership. The success of WALLA is fueled by the immense loyalty of our participants and the ability of our staff to understand the desires of our participants. The staff of WALLA understands that providing classes and trips are only half of our responsibilities. The need to provide a pleasant atmosphere in which we all can enjoy learning, as well as fulfilling the very important social aspect of our organization, is equally important. Recognizing the work of our standing committees is essential as they are the backbone of WALLA. Without their hard work WALLA would not exist. I am continually amazed at the ability of our Programming Committee to come up with new ideas for trips and then to plan and conduct them. It takes many hours of work from start to finish.

The Curriculum Committee's work is at the center of what WALLA does. Every session, they provide us with new and intriguing courses. They also find, and then assist, the presenters and coordinators that put on our courses. Without our AV/Tech Committee's dedication, WALLA could not do what it does today. The AV people are present in every class, every day. They get to WALLA before anyone else and many times are the last to leave. Our Special Events Committee helps make our overall experience at WALLA enjoyable by providing refreshments during class time and giving us time to socialize by planning box lunches. The Newsletter/Website and Office staff provide the administrative services that allow the other committee's to do their work. The Finance/Budget and Audit Committee was formed during 2016 and has helped to create a more formal way of handling WALLA's finances. In the past this job was handled by one person, the Treasurer. Mary Gardner has long served as WALLA's liaison to Purdue. Anyone familiar with WALLA knows just how much Mary does to keep us running smoothly.

WALLA also has a close relationship with WL Parks and Recreation, the WL Public Library and of course St. Andrews Methodist Church (SAM). We cannot say enough in appreciation of SAM. They have provided WALLA with more than adequate space to put on our classes and have always said "yes" to any request we have made to them. Again, thank you to all the participants and staff that make WALLA the tremendous organization that it is today.

Respectfully submitted, Alan Williams, President

2016-2016 Walla Officers, Board Members, Nominees

President, Alan Williams
Vice President, Leslie Brost
Secretary, Kathleen Connolly
Treasurer, Mary Quinn
Past President, Dennis Sorge

3 Year Term Expiring 2017

Ann Skadberg 2nd #
Nick Soodek % 2nd%
Leslie Brost 1st
Marshall Deutelbaum 1st
Patrick Egan 1st
Nancy Hartman 1st
Howard Magadzanz 1st

3 Year Term Expiring 2018

Kathleen Connolly 1st
Dorothy Jones 2nd
Dennis Sorge 2nd
Dwayne Daehler 1st
Mary Jo Pflum 1st
SuzAnn Schott 1st

3 Year Term Expiring 2019

Nominees 3 Year Term Expiring 2020

Mary Quinn 1st
Vince Green 2nd
Peggy Housley 2nd
Alan Williams 2nd
Jo Ellen Cox 1st
Sally Gustafson 1st
Drew Casani 1st

Nick Soodek 1st
Leslie Brost 2nd
Marshall Deutelbaum 2nd
Patrick Egan 2nd
Nancy Hartman 2nd
Howard Magadzanz 2nd
Jim Carter 1st

Notes: "2nd" Second Consecutive 3 Year Term
"#" Statutory Retirement after 2nd consecutive 3 Year Term
"%" Completing 2nd Term of Linda Taulman who resigned Aug 2016 after 2 yrs into her 2nd term

Ex-officio

Mary Gardner Purdue Liaison and WALLA Coordinator
Pennie Ainsworth West Lafayette Parks and Recreation
Bess Witcosky Morton Community Center Director and Scheduler
Erica Brown West Lafayette Public Library/WALLA Films and Friends series
Donna Biehl Office Manager, St. Andrew United Methodist Church

Submitted: James B. Moore, Chairman Board Development Committee

Committee Chairs 2016-2017

The Wabash Area Lifetime Learning Association would not be an effective organization without the contributions of its committees. The WALLA officers sincerely appreciate the time and effort contributed by the dedicated members of the committees and the committee chair/co-chairpersons.

COMMITTEE	CHAIR AND CO-CHAIR PERSONS
Audio Visual/Technology	Howard Magadanz
Board Development	Jim Moore
Curriculum	Marshall Deutelbaum/Pat Eagan
Finance/Budget/Audit	Dennis Sorge
Newsletter/Publicity/Webmaster	Nancy Hartman
Office Advisory	Charlene Watson
Officer Nominating	Tom Schott
Programming	Mary Jo Pflum/Nancy Hartman
Special Events	Jo Ellen Cox/Jim Carter

Audio Visual Committee

The Audio Visual Committee continued to serve the needs of WALLA during classes by setting up equipment and assisting presenters. We also observe how well things work and try to make improvements for future events.

For Spring 2016, we separated rooms 156 and 157 so that we could hold four simultaneous classes. This configuration proved less desirable than using the combined room as one larger classroom, so for the Fall 2016 classes, we combined the rooms and used a new larger 80 inch projection screen and an old WALLA projector and our second Fender Passport Conference sound system. We borrowed a 60 inch HDTV to replace the church's 40 inch TV in the small room 158. Room limitations make holding four simultaneous classes difficult.

AV equipment configurations were improved in the large room 137, "The CrossRoads Room", by replacing the old DVD player with a new Blu-Ray player and connecting the audio signal to our sound system with a stereo cable rather than a speaker/wireless sound system. Three high quality wireless microphone systems were removed from the old cabinet that we used at Morton prior to 2014. These are now used as individual portable systems and represent a significant improvement in sound quality compared with our much older portable wireless sound systems.

The continuing drop in price of new electronic equipment, as well as the availability of used and surplus equipment has made it practical to replace some of our older equipment. Two new Sony Blu-Ray players, identical to the one purchased last year, were purchased to replace our DVD players, so that all our standalone disk players will be identical and use identical remotes, making it easier for presenters and AV support people to use them. We purchased a surplus ELMO document camera and a classroom projector from the Purdue Surplus store. This will replace the old overhead projector system, getting it out of the line of sight and allowing opaque as well as transparent and 3-D objects to be shown. A new fourth AV laptop computer, with both VGA and HDMI outputs, was purchased, giving us a backup in case one of our older computers fails. We now lease up-to-date software through TechSoup for a greatly discounted price.

Submitted by Howard Magadanz, WALLA AV chairperson

Board Development Committee

In August 2016, Board Member Linda Taulman resigned from the Board for personal reasons. WALLA President Alan Williams with the consult of the WALLA Executive Committee, and the Board Development Committee, nominated and approved Nick Soodek to complete the third year of the second board term of Linda Taulman which expires in 2017.

Ann Skadberg will complete her second board term in 2017; thus, she is statutorily ineligible to take another WALLA term at this time. Ann will join other board retirees.

Leslie Brost, Marshall Deutelbaum, Patrick Egan, Nancy Hartman, and Howard Magadan will complete their first 3 year board terms in 2017 and have agreed to take second terms, if elected.

The committee is very pleased that Jim Carter has agreed to be a first term board nominee to fill the single WALLA board vacancy commencing in May 2017, if elected.

Accordingly, the Board Development Committee nominates the following candidates to serve three-year terms commencing in May 2017 and expiring at the end of FY 2020:

Nick Soodek 1st term
Jim Carter 1st term
Leslie Brost 2nd term
Marshall Deutelbaum 2nd term
Patrick Egan 2nd term
Nancy Hartman 2nd term
Howard Magadan 2nd term

Submitted by: James Moore, Chairman Board Development Committee

Curriculum Committee

During the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the Curriculum Committee was co-chaired by Marshall Deutelbaum and Patrick Egan and assisted by Alan Williams. Jacques Delleur, longtime leader of the Curriculum Committee, is still an active member who continues to offer his help and guidance.

The Curriculum Committee bears the responsibility of developing and organizing the spring and fall WALLA class sessions, as well as introducing classes at the spring Pizza Party and fall Picnic. Old and new members are welcomed and encouraged to offer class suggestions and help develop new courses.

The Curriculum Committee held its Focus Group Meetings on September 8, 2016 and February 7, 2017 to entertain course suggestions for the spring and fall 2017 sessions. Twenty one people attended the September Focus Meeting and eighteen attended the February Meeting. The Focus Group Meetings are the principal source of ideas for future classes. Other sources include the suggestions from members and class evaluation slips. The Focus Groups Meetings are open to all WALLA participants and have recently been held at the MCL Cafeteria. Summaries of the suggestions made at the Focus Groups Meetings were prepared by Jacques Delleur and Marshall Deutelbaum and distributed to Curriculum Committee attendees.

The Curriculum Committee met in the WALLA Office on April 28, 2016 to develop class offerings for the fall 2016 session and again on November 21, 2016 to build the spring 2017 class schedule. Coordinator Meetings were held about a week before each class session. At these Meetings, Mary Gardner informed the coordinators of their approximate enrollments and room assignments. Speaker's gifts—their choice of a Panera, Arni's, or Starbucks gift card, or a memory stick-- were distributed. Fall classes were held from October 17 to November 10, 2016. Fifteen full length classes and seventeen mini-courses were offered in the fall session. Spring 2017 classes were held from March 20 to April 13 with nineteen full length courses and ten mini-courses offered. WALLA is very fortunate to have had presenters for the sessions that offer a variety of very interesting courses for a wide range of interests. Classes were held at St. Andrew Methodist Church.

The Curriculum Committee plans to meet April 25, 2017 to develop the course program for the fall of 2017. Classes will again be held at St Andrews Methodist Church.

The Curriculum Committee wishes to express its gratitude to Mary Gardner for her outstanding role in finalizing the course programs and presenting us with crafted brochures that fully describe the classes.

Submitted by Marshall Deutelbaum and Patrick Egan, Co-Chairs

Finance/Budget/Audit Committee

President Al Williams enlarged the finance committee and charged it with certain responsibilities. Included in the charge:

1. Prepare an annual budget.
2. Engage in long range financial planning
3. Review all contracts and other financial obligations entered into by WALLA.
4. Review the financial transactions consummated by the treasurer on an annual basis
5. Submit an annual audit to the Board for inclusion in the Annual Report.

The committee created a budget with input from WALLA committee chairs. It is setting up an easy way to track income and expenditures with the intent to better understand cash flow. The committee reviewed, edited and received approval from West Lafayette Parks and Recreation and the WALLA Board of a lease for the WALLA office and storage in Morton Center. The Committee continues to work on better procedures for processes related to WALLA finances. The committee members are Gail Beck, Leslie Brost, Diana Jones, Mary Quinn and Dennis Sorge.

As of March 31, 2017, the balance in checking is \$12,981.81. There is a CD with a value of \$5,363.54, and property worth \$6,521.80. Total income was \$71,109.68 and expenses of \$65,356.98.

The Audit Committee of the Wabash Area Lifetime Learning Association, Inc. reviewed the financial records of the organization on April 10, 2017. We believe the books are in good order, properly handled to accurately show income and expense in a manner which is consistent with acceptable accounting methods. The organization's financial position has been presented accurately by the treasurer, Mary Quinn, and she has executed her duties responsibly and commendably. The Audit committee consisted of Leslie Brost, Sandy Furr and Diana Jones.

Submitted by Dennis Sorge, chairperson

Newsletter/Website/Publicity Committee

Six bi-monthly newsletter issues were published this fiscal year. After receiving articles from the various committee chairs, liaisons and officers regarding WALLA happenings, Nancy Hartman compiled and edited each issue. A warm thank you goes to our picky proof readers; Barbara & Joe Krause, Vince & Marilyn Green, Al Williams, Leslie Brost, Peggy Housley, Carl Hartman, Dennis Sorge, and Tom Schott. Because of their efforts, few mistakes made it into the final copy.

A total of 2744 newsletters were printed thanks to the efforts of Rich Abrahamson and the CopyMat Shop. That is about 457 copies per issue. We keep about 25 copies of each issue at the office to be passed out or mailed if someone calls for one. The rest are addressed and bulk mailed by John Whiteman of JC Printing & Mailing. This assures you receive the issues as quickly as possible and at the lowest cost possible. We continue to send out the newsletters electronically and our number of subscribers increases after every issue. Our subscriber base for the e-newsletter increased this fiscal year from 89 subscribers to 134. We sent out 687 e-newsletters this past year. All together we sent out 3431 copies of our newsletter, electronically and by mail.

The website continues to be updated on a regular basis. Nancy tries to keep everything up-to-date with the assistance of Joe Krause and Leslie Brost. Nancy posts the bi-monthly newsletter as well as adding photographs and news event articles. From March 18, 2016 to March 18, 2017 the website received 8,985 hits by 2,661 visitors. Thanks to Leslie Brost for maintaining our Facebook page. If you are on Facebook stop by for a look. Just search by our full name – Wabash Area Lifetime Learning Association. Nancy is also an administrator for the page.

As part of WALLA publicity, Nancy helps create or revise flyers for various events including the picnic and pizza party, the Summer Trip and the Annual Meeting. We can always use help on the committee. If you are interested in writing, like to post on Facebook, learn about the website, or help create flyers, volunteer for this interesting committee.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Hartman, Chairperson

Office Advisory Committee

The WALLA office is open from 10 am until 1 pm on the weekdays that Morton Center is open. Approximately thirty members volunteer time and service to welcome visitors, respond to phone calls and e-mails, maintain office cleanliness, and assist with mailings and other office tasks.

Gloria Huffman, an Office Volunteer, continues the ministry of sending Get Well cards and Sympathy cards to our WALLA friends who need a bit of cheer and to improve our ability to “take care” of each other. This support has been very well received. Please communicate to Gloria (497-2052) if you are aware of a need within the WALLA family.

Those who serve as Office Volunteers include Colleen Banes, Kathy Bowker, Leslie Brost, Susan Calvert, Virginia Carter, Kathleen Connolly, Dixie Frye, Nancy Hartman, Peggy Housley, Gloria Huffman, Dorothy Jones, Beverly Knill, Barbara Krause, Joe Krause, Karen Lembcke, Jim Moore, Mary Jo Pflum, Mimi Porile, Kathy Senft, Ann Skadberg, Nick Soodek, Jo Sullivan, John Veach, Charlene Watson, and Al Williams.

Additional volunteers are always welcomed and needed. If you would like to become an Office Volunteer, please contact Charlene Watson (765-474-9101 OR cel.watson@comcast.net).

Respectfully submitted, Charlene Watson, Office Advisory Chairperson

Officer Nominating Committee

The Officer nominating committee met February 8, 2017 to discuss names for prospective WALLA officers. The positions under consideration were as follows: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

It is understood that Leslie Brost will move from Vice President to President.

Treasurer, Mary Quinn and Secretary, Kathleen Connolly had previously agreed to have their names submitted to the Board to retain their positions.

For the position of Vice President, seven names were given serious consideration. After casting secret ballots, the Committee voted to ask Board Member Dorothy Jones. She has since consented to place her name into nomination.

All of the nominations and the automatic succession of the Vice President will take place at the April Board meeting.

The Officer Nominating Committee consists of former WALLA Presidents. Those in attendance were: Dennis Sorge, Vincent Green, Joe Krause, Russell Clark, James Moore, and Gail Beck. In addition, President Alan Williams, Vice-President Leslie Brost, and Purdue Liaison, Mary Gardner participated.

Submitted by Tom Schott, Office Nominating Committee Chair

Programming Committee

In 2016-2017 the Programming Committee provided WALLA participates and the general public with monthly films at the West Lafayette Public Library, occasional one day trips, a three-day trip to St. Louis, the annual Winter Getaway, a Trivia event and participation in a One Great Read event. Mary Jo Pflum and Nancy Hartman were co-chairpersons of the programming committee.

WALLA and Friends of the West Lafayette Public Library jointly present a film the second Monday of every month at 6:45 p.m. Erica Brown, WLPL, staff member selects the films which have been purchased with WALLA funds. She hosts the film session as well as providing popcorn. The Summer Film Series, five films in June through August, dealing with the Indiana Bicentennial. Attendance at the summer series was 84.

On June 1-3, 39 participates attended the annual three-day trip with the theme, "Meet Me in St. Louis." Sites that were visited were the Cahokia Mounds State Historical Park in Illinois, Riverboat trip, Forest Park, including the Art Museum and Botanical Gardens and St. Charles, Illinois. The Program Committee had evaluation sheets and they were completed by the participates, the trip was very well received. Nancy Hartman was the coordinator for the trip with the assistance of Mary Jo Pflum.

On July 16, a group of 34 traveled to Delphi Opera House for a performance of "An Afternoon with James Whitcomb Riley". Before the performance, lunch was at the Stone House Restaurant, Dutch treat. A stop at Delphi Dairy Queen was on our return to Lafayette. Ann Skadberg was the coordinator of the very successful trip.

On September 22, 44 participates went to Indianapolis for the "Bicentennial Trip." We had a tour of the state house, box lunch at the Indiana Historical Society and then time to visit both the Indiana Historical Society and the Indiana State Museum. Coordinators were Ann Skadberg, Sallie Cook and Mary Jo Pflum.

One Great Read (OGR) WALLA program was during the fall WALLA classes on November 3. Nick Schenkel, director of the West Lafayette Public Library discussed the book during the lunch hour. The book was a 2016 book titled "Where Am I Eating: An Adventure Through the Global Food Economy" by Kelsey Timmerman. Sally Cooke was the committee member in charge of this event.

On December 16 at the West Lafayette Public Library, the programming committee held the First Annual Trivia Afternoon and potluck. Soups were provided by Joe Krause, Nancy Hartman and Gail Beck and other participates furnished a dish to

enjoy. Six groups competed in a very competitive trivia contest. Winners of the contest were Al Williams, Leslie Brost, Gail Beck and Pat Carr. Winners received white elephant gifts. Mary Jo Pflum, Joellen Cox and Nick Soodek were on the committee.

On January 21, 2017, 26 participates attended the "Rome'o et Juliette" opera in French with English Subtitles at Wabash Landing. Lunch was attended by 22 at Puccini's. Jacques Delleur was in charge of this event.

On February 21-23, the WALLA getaway was held at McCormicks's Creek State Park. Ninety participates attended this event. The weatherman cooperated with our group where many of us were able to do some walking and hiking outdoors. Three movies were shown, *Cinema Paradiso*, *Love Affair* and *Now, Voyager*. We returned to Lafayette via a stop at Gray's Cafeteria in Mooresville. Mary Jo Pflum and Gail Beck were in charge of this annual event.

Three upcoming activities for the spring and summer are the three-day trip to Southern Indiana, May 31-June 2; day tour, Purdue Sculptures, June 26 and Kokomo trip on July 18.

Program committee members are Gail Beck, Erica Brown (WLPL), James Carter, Russ Clark, Sallie Cook, Jack Delleur, Mary Gardner, Nancy Hartman, Peggy Housley, Joe Krause, Jim Moore, Mary Jo Pflum, Tom Schott, Ann Skadberg, Arnold Sweet, (ex-officio Al Williams and Leslie Brost).

Submitted by Mary Jo Pflum (Co-Chairman)

Special Events Committee

The Special Events Committee has a variety of responsibilities throughout the year. We set up and take down the complimentary hot beverage trays each day the WALLA classes are in session.

The first two days of classes in the fall and in the spring, the committee provides bagels and cream spreads for the participants' enjoyment. We also arrange for the catering of box lunches, two in the fall and two in the spring. These are always held on the Tuesday of the second week, and the Wednesday of the third week. We also facilitate the two social programs for the distribution of class brochures.

On August 25, the Special Events Committee provided a picnic for WALLA members and guests in co-operation with the Curriculum Committee. The picnic was held in the Social Hall of St. Lawrence Church in Lafayette. We enjoyed a delicious dinner catered by D&R. Great Harvest Bread donated the bread. The Curriculum Committee distributed brochures for the Fall 2016 courses and introduced the coordinators. They, in turn, described their classes which began on October 17th.

During the Fall 2016 session, Jane's Gourmet Deli catered the two box lunches. Seventy-nine people ordered and enjoyed these delicious meals. For the first time we added a voluntary pitch-in soup and breads lunch. This was arranged and organized by our committee member, Ann Skadberg. Donations for this treat were then donated to the WALLA scholarship fund.

On February 16, 2017, the committee arranged for our annual pizza party for WALLA members and guests. This was held at St. Andrew United Methodist Church in West Lafayette. Catered for the fifteenth year by Arni's Pizza, we enjoyed our delicious lunch of Jr. Salads and a variety of pizzas. The Curriculum Committee invited the coordinators of the Spring classes to give an overview of their upcoming courses, which began March 20. Brochures were distributed to all who attended.

During the Spring 2017 session, Jane's Gourmet Deli once again served delicious meals to us. Ann Skadberg organized and arranged the lunch for our scholarship fund.

Committee members are: Leslie Brost, Virginia Carter, Kathleen Connolly, Delores Delleur, Polly Egan, Dixie Frye, Inge Maresh, SuzAnn Schott, Ann Skadberg, Barb Soodek, Jo Sullivan, and Judy Wright.

Submitted by Co-Chairs, JoEllen Cox and Jim Carter

Wabash Area Lifetime Learning Association, Inc.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Wabash Area Lifetime Learning Association, Inc. (WALLA) is to offer intellectual, cultural, and social opportunities for individuals 50 years of age and older.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the organization shall be Wabash Area Lifetime Learning Association, Inc. (WALLA). It is affiliated with the Road Scholar program and Purdue Office of Engagement.

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

The purpose of WALLA shall be to offer opportunities for intellectual stimulation, rewarding cultural and social activities, and personal growth.

ARTICLE III – PARTICIPANTS

1. Participation shall be open to persons 50 years of age and older. There are no other prerequisites.
2. The WALLA participation year shall run from May 1 through April 30 of the following year.
3. The Board of Directors shall establish class registration fees for participants.
4. Participants have the following benefits: attending classes, participating in special events, becoming a member of the Board of Directors, serving on committees, and voting at the Annual Meeting.
5. A special participants' meeting may be called upon written request to the President by ten active participants in which the reason for the special meeting is clearly stated and justified. Active participant is defined as someone who has engaged in trips or classes within the last two years or four sessions.

ARTICLE IV- BOARD OF DIRECTORS (Board)

1. The governing body shall be a 20-member volunteer Board, elected by the participants at the Annual Meeting. Members of the Board will serve for three-year terms on a rotating basis, but not to exceed two consecutive three-year terms. In addition, if the Past President's term has ended, the past president shall serve one year as an ex-officio member with vote. A representative from Purdue's Office of Engagement shall serve as ex-officio member of the Board without vote.

- Other ex-Officio members may be appointed as appropriate.
2. The Board shall establish policies, institute programs and activities, and be responsive to the wishes and needs of the members.
 3. The Board elects the following officers to serve one year: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The President and Vice President shall not serve more than two consecutive terms. The Board shall elect officers at the first meeting following the Annual Meeting.
 4. Board members are required to attend at least two-thirds of the meetings called, unless excused. The voting members present shall constitute a quorum at each meeting of the Board.
 5. The minutes of all Board meetings, as prepared by the Secretary and approved by the Board, shall be the official record of WALLA's policies and procedures.
 6. The President shall appoint a WALLA participant to complete an unexpired term should a vacancy occur.
 7. All regular Board meetings shall be open to any WALLA participants in good standing. No voting privileges are implied.

ARTICLE V - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD

The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Board, the immediate Past President, and the liaison from Purdue Extended Campus.

The Executive Committee shall:

1. Establish the time of meetings
2. Meet prior to each Board meeting
3. Handle matters needing immediate attention
4. Keep abreast of the overall status of WALLA and make recommendations to the Board

ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

The President shall:

1. Prepare the agenda for and preside at all Executive Committee meetings, Board meetings
2. Appoint chairs of all standing committees and other committees that may be established
3. Appoint a chair of the Board Development Committee which, at the Annual Meeting, shall present a slate of nominees for election to the Board for the ensuing year
4. Appoint a chair of the Officer Nominating Committee. The committee shall consist of active past presidents which at the first meeting of the new Board, shall present a slate of nominees for election as officers of the Board for the ensuing year

5. Appoint Ad Hoc committees as needed and appoint replacements for unexpired terms, in consultation with of the chair of Board Development, should a vacancy occur
6. Appoint replacement(s) for officers during the course of the year if such action is needed, as directed by the Board
7. Appoint an historian to maintain a permanent history of WALLA's activities and programs
8. Call special meetings of the Board when necessary
9. Call a special Annual meeting, when necessary, the purpose of which shall be stated in the call. A two-week notification shall be given prior to the meeting.
10. Serve as an ex-officio member of all standing committees except the Executive Committee, which the President chairs
11. Ensure that a coordinated program for the ensuing year, including classes, projects, and activities, be developed and provided for participants.

The Vice President shall:

1. Assist the President in the performance of his or her duties
2. In the absence of the President, perform all the functions of the President
3. Be responsible for organizing the Annual Meeting
4. Be responsible for new board member orientation.

The Secretary shall:

1. Record and distribute minutes of Executive and Board meetings
2. Carry out correspondence as directed by the President
3. Notify appropriate personnel of all Executive and Board meetings
4. Maintain a list of Board members, including phone numbers and email addresses
5. Maintain copies of all official records relating to WALLA.

The Treasurer shall:

1. Manage WALLA funds with the approval of the Board
2. Work with the Purdue Office of Engagement liaison, as appropriate, in matters relating to finances
3. Prepare and submit a financial report at Board meetings, the Annual Meeting and other meetings, as requested by the President.

ARTICLE VII- STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee chairs are appointed by the President and should be prepared to report monthly to the board and submit an annual report.

Finance and Budget Committee shall:

1. Prepare an annual budget, in consultation with appropriate committees and persons, for approval by the Board
2. Engage in long range financial planning
3. Review all contracts and other financial obligations entered into by WALLA.
4. Review the financial transactions consummated by the treasurer on an annual basis
5. Submit an annual audit to the Board for inclusion in the Annual Report.

Curriculum Committee shall:

1. Identify and be responsive to curriculum interests of participants
2. Plan and carry out the curriculum
3. Provide the Publicity Committee with appropriate information
4. Evaluate and make changes, as needed, in the curriculum
5. Determine the needs and reserve classroom space accordingly
6. Oversee classroom use by fall and spring luncheon activities
7. Submit an annual budget to the Finance and Budget Committee.

Special Events Committee shall:

1. Plan and provide social and recreational events
2. Be responsible for hosts and hostesses and for refreshments, as appropriate
3. Submit an annual budget to the Finance and Budget Committee.

Publicity Committee shall:

1. Prepare and disseminate information, supplied by committees, concerning the purpose and programs of WALLA to potential participants, supporting groups, and the general public
2. Prepare a bi-monthly newsletter to be mailed to participants and posted on the WALLA Web site
3. Prepare additional publications as appropriate
4. Submit an annual budget to the Finance and Budget Committee.

Programming Committee shall:

1. Oversee the development, organization, and implementation of all WALLA learning and enrichment activities that normally occur outside the traditional fall and spring WALLA semesters
2. Monitor program planning expenses to be reimbursed
3. Work in parallel and coordinate activities with the standing Curriculum Committee
4. Submit an annual budget to the Finance and Budget Committee.

Audio Visual/Technology Committee shall:

1. Purchase, or otherwise acquire, with Board approval, AV equipment and supplies to accommodate the needs of WALLA courses and programs
2. Develop and provide training for new committee members in the setup and operation of AV equipment for WALLA programs and events
3. Maintain an AV equipment inventory record in the WALLA office
4. Submit an annual budget to the Finance and Budget Committee
5. Act as advisors to any committee needing assistance with technology.

Office Advisory Committee shall:

1. Maintain office volunteer schedule
2. Maintain the WALLA database that includes historical data of participation, and paper and digital copies of WALLA newsletters
3. Maintain office supply needs
4. Participate in the upkeep of the office organization, attractiveness and cleanliness
5. Submit an annual budget to the Finance and Budget Committee.

ARTICLE VIII- ANNUAL MEETING

1. The Vice President shall determine the date of the WALLA Annual Meeting.
2. Those present shall constitute a quorum.
3. The Board of Directors shall be elected at the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE IX-AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the participants present at the Annual meeting. Amendments shall be proposed only by the Board and must be submitted in writing to the participants at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

ARTICLE X-PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order, newly revised, shall govern the conduct of all meetings.

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Notes: % Completing final year of 2nd Term of Linda Taulman who resigned from the board in August 2016

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