

19th Annual

Cannon Valley Elder Collegium Spring Meeting

St. John's Hall, May 1, 2016

Continuing the format begun in 2015, the annual meeting of members was preceded by a half-hour social time, a time to greet old and new friends. After the social time, Board Chair Jerry Mohrig welcomed the roughly 65 members present and called the annual meeting to order at 2:30 P.M. His welcome included two of the year's highlights – a record number of students enrolled in CVEC courses, twice as many as the registrations in 2004-05, and the success of the new classes in Faribault.

Upon being seated, each member received a handout containing the meeting agenda; a brief introduction to Stephen Kelly, who was to be nominated to serve for the first time as a Board member; a list of films and instructors scheduled for the 2016 film festival; a tentative list of titles and instructors for the fall 2016 courses; and a financial report. A copy of the handout is attached to these Minutes.

Jerry turned the meeting over to Executive Director Rich Noer, who talked briefly and enthusiastically about the state of the Collegium. Rich said that the Collegium's course offerings and registrations have increased significantly. Currently, CVEC offers twelve or more courses each term, with more than 220 registrations per term and 90 first-time registrants during the 2015 – 2016 academic year. While gratifying, this has led to considerable enrollment pressure, with up to half of our courses each term this past year oversubscribed. He noted that there has been a considerable turnover of instructors: in the most recent five-year period, 21 instructors have retired from teaching and 31 new instructors have taken their places.

Next, Jerry introduced Peg Morrison, CVEC's Treasurer, and asked her to report on CVEC's financial position. Peg referred to the Financial Report in the handout. She explained that CVEC continues to operate "in the black," and that the reduction of total monetary assets over the past year was caused primarily by the investment in a new portable audio-visual unit, the AV Rover, which is being used in CVEC's classrooms at the Northfield Senior Center.

Rich asked the membership to recognize Perry Mason and Stephen Kelly, each of whom has taught five courses, Eric Nelson, who has taught ten courses, and Robert Flaten, who has taught 15 courses. A certificate of appreciation had been prepared for each of them, "suitable for framing." Then Rich spoke in praise of Robert Flaten and Hartley Clark, each of whom has announced his intention to "retire" from CVEC teaching after a brilliant career. Jerry recognized and thanked ReJean Schulte, who is retiring as a member and former Chair of the Board, and Bill Carlson and Lydia Moe, who are retiring after 10 years as members of the Curriculum Committee. The membership applauded as each of the above named instructors, Board members and committee members stood to be recognized.

Following the applause, Phil Eaves reported for the Nominating Committee. The slates of new Board member, extending Board members, Board officers and Nominating Committee members – each

as set forth in the meeting handout – were unanimously approved by vote of the members in attendance.

The featured speaker for the annual meeting was Richard Schulte, a CVEC instructor and frequent student. His speech was called “CVEC Courses and Long Term Memories,” and he spoke eloquently about how, as a student in two recent CVEC courses, he was prompted to recall memories of his own and his family’s past. Richard’s speech was in turn poignant and funny, and was particularly well received by the membership.

Finally, Jerry asked the assembled members to thank ReJean Schulte, Dale Talley, Phil Eaves and the other people who had helped make the annual meeting a success. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Harper, Secretary

Cannon Valley Elder Collegium *19th Annual Membership Meeting*

Sunday, May 1st, St. John's Lutheran Church, 2:00-3:30 p.m.

2:00-2:30 Social time, to greet old and new friends

2:30-3:30 Meeting time

Welcome – Jerry Mohrig, Board Chair

State of the Collegium – Rich Noer, Executive Director

Finance Report – Peg Morrison, Treasurer

Recognitions

5-yr Faculty: Stephen Kelly Perry Mason

10-yr Faculty: Eric Nelson

15-yr Faculty: Robert Flaten

Retiring Faculty: Robert Flaten Hartley Clark

Retiring Board Member: ReJean Schulte

Retiring Long-Time Curriculum Committee Members: Bill Carlson, Lydia Moe

Nominating Committee Report & Election – Phil Eaves, Committee Chair

New Board Member (3 yr)

Stephen Kelly

Extending Board Members (3 yr)

1. Jean Haslett

2. Ed Lufkin

3. Jerry Mohrig

4. Eric Nelson

Board Officers (1 yr)

Chair: Jerry Mohrig

Vice-Chair: Dale Talley

Treasurer: Peg Morrison

Secretary: Dan Van Tassel

Nominating Committee (1 yr)

1. Elizabeth Larson 2. Perry Mason

3. Pat Rice (4. Phil Eaves*)

*Board representative, re-elected by Board 4/20/16

Featured Speaker – Richard Schulte, frequent student and instructor:

“CVEC Courses & Long Term Memories”

Closing Remarks – Jerry Mohrig

Introduction to new Board candidate:

Steve Kelly retired from Carleton in 2011 after teaching music history for 37 years. He also served as Carleton's Dean of Budget and Planning for 6 years. He was a Fulbright Scholar and has published scholarship on medieval music, the medieval monastery, jazz history, and pedagogy. For CVEC he has taught 5 well-received courses.

2016 Summer Film Festival and Course: Politics!

Free showings on Tuesday evenings, class discussions on Wednesday mornings (leaders listed below)
Class registration forms available in early June

July 5-6: "Mr Smith Goes to Washington" (1939) – Linda Mokdad*
July 12-13: "Being There" (1979) – Charlie Black
July 19-20: "Network" (1976) – Eric Nelson
July 26-27: "Panic in the Streets" (1950) – Bjorn Nordfjord*

*This year we are widening our talent pool of presenters with Linda Mokdad and Bjorn Nordfjord. They both teach film at St Olaf.

Fall Term 2016 Courses

(Subject to changes and additions; for final listing and descriptions, see cvec.org in early August.)

Anne Aby: World War 1 (repeat)
Don Barry: Early History of Mathematics
Richard Jorgensen: Speaking the Truth in Love (four weeks in Faribault)
Ed Langerak: Pivotal Thinkers in Western Ethics
Mike Leming: Death and Dying
Tim Madigan: The 1960s--A Shared Experience (repeat)
Jane McDonnell: Memoir Writing
Jim McDonnell: The Irish Stories of William Trevor (repeat)
Elizabeth Beery Olson: Playing an Ancient Instrument: Part Two
Bruce Roberts: The Church Community: A Crucible of Hope and Grace??
Don Scheid: Ethics of War, Peace, and Terrorism

CVEC FINANCIAL REPORT 2016 Annual Meeting

	2014-2015 (4/27/14-4/26/15)	2015-2016 (4/27/15-4/24/16)
INCOME		
Tuition	31,360	32,560
Gifts	10,890	10,809
Other	32	
Total Income	42,282	43,369
EXPENDITURES		
Instruction	25,821	26,527
Administration	10,388	10,333
Publicity	4,240	2,829
Other		
Total Expenditures	40,449	39,689
NET	1,833	3,680
TOTAL ASSETS	(as of 4/26/15)	(as of 4/24/16)
Checking, Savings, Schwab (Includes unrealized gains)	89,122	87,350

Barbara Jenkins, Financial Director