

CLASS OF 1976 - OFFICERS' MEETING
February 27, 2020

Meeting conducted by teleconference.

Attending: Linda Ury Greenberg, Helen Clement, Louise Dunbar, Ellen Boates
Clark

Officer News

Linda noted that Fayre Crossley, who resigned her position as Vice-President for personal reasons, would no longer be participating in our meetings. The College has advised that we do not need to recruit a replacement for this position this late into our tenure. We are grateful for all that Fayre did.

Treasurer's Report

There are no significant updates to report.

45th Reunion Planning

Linda reviewed the process to be followed for recruiting one or more people to chair the 45th reunion in 2021. We reviewed a letter drafted by Linda to go out to all classmates via email next week. All are encouraged to send suggestions of people who might be interested in the position to Linda in case no one volunteers. We were reminded that previous participation in reunion planning did not disqualify anyone from volunteering for a second (or third) time!

Once a chairperson (or persons) is identified, we, the class officers, will need to appoint a nominating chair to seek out candidates for the officer positions for our next reunion cycle. This will be especially important as it will lead to our 50th reunion. Again, suggestions of people who might take on this important position are welcomed.

All-Class Mini-Reunions

The 2020 river cruise in France has 20 people signed up including several spouses. The ship is now at capacity. The possibility of disruption due to the spread of the corona virus was discussed but it is too early for any action to be taken at this time.

There were two mini-reunions reported since our last meeting. Pictures have been posted on our web page.

Class News and Notes

Ellen is sending in the next column to be published in late May tomorrow. It will include a notice about a reunion chair. She has enough news for the next column as well but will need more for the fall. Linda will try to get some of the people on the river cruise to send in updates. Helen suggested using social media posts to gather leads.

Ellen's remaining news deadlines are: JULY/SUMMER Issue - May 1, 2020; NOVEMBER/FALL Issue - September 1, 2020; FEBRUARY/WINTER Issue - December 1, 2020; MAY/SPRING Issue - March 1, 2021; JULY/SUMMER Issue - May 1, 2021

Class Giving

Louise reported that in her last conversation with her College liaison she learned that class giving is at a 21.8% participation rate with 14 donors at the Durant level. She noted that most nonprofits are anticipating a lower than normal giving rate this year due to the fluctuations in the stock market and the national election cycle. Louise recently met with a member of the Class of '73 who just completed a successful challenge campaign for their 45th reunion. She is actively exploring duplicating that campaign for our class.