



Class of 2026

Colet Allen
Mary Devlin
Ann Magill

Class of 2027

Myrna Hall
John Schuyler
Sarah Tisch

Class of 2028

Fernando Gapasin
Tony Davis
Tom Woosnam

2025-2026 Council Meeting Minutes October 21, 2025 Campbell Center, Room C 3:30-5:30 pm

Council: John Schuyler, Colet Allen, Mary Devlin, Fernando Gapasin, Ann Magill, Tony Davis, Tom Woosnam, Heather Inghram

Committee and Team Chairs: Karla Langland, Rebecca Jurta, Mary Beth Limpert, Anne Coleman, Lorraine Vail, Ginny Blankinship **Absent:** Dwight Wilson

Members and Staff: Megan Rutherford, Tracy Palermini, John Law

1. The meeting was called to order by President Schuyler at 3:35 PM
2. The agenda was approved with flexibility (Devlin, Allen)
3. The minutes from the Council Meeting of September 16, 2025, were approved with the correction that Tom Woosnam was absent (Magill, Allen)
4. Reports
 - A. President's Report – John Schuyler
 - 1) An updated calendar was included in the documents package and hard copies also made available.
 - 2) There will be a volunteer fair with art exhibit on January 27, 2026.
 - 3) A chart of current membership numbers, including the attrition rate and members reside was shared. Currently, membership stands at 1,534.
 - 4) John and Priscila will host the annual holiday party at their home on December 20th.
 - B. Treasurer's Report — Myrna Hall
 - 1) Updates covering the last fiscal year and the current budget will be presented at the November council meeting.
 - C. Administrative Director's Report – Heather Inghram
 - 1) Report stands.
 - 2) In addition to the written report, Inghram added that Paige Jensen is retiring on December 19th, while the position description for the replacement has been sent to SOU Human Resources.
 - 3) A Google Drive will be created for council directors and chairs to use.
 - D. Standing Committees & Other Reports
 - 1) Communications – Fernando Gapasin
 - a) Report stands.
 - 2) Curriculum – Anne Coleman and Ginny Blankinship
 - a) Report stands.
 - b) New instructor orientation is scheduled for March 14, 2026.
 - c) Winter courses are being taught at 7 different sites.

- 3) Events — Mary Beth Limpert
 - a) Report stands.
- 4) Fundraising – Colet Allen
 - a) The likely date for the fundraising event with Collaborative Theatre Project is April 25, 2026.
 - b) With fundraising amounts behind where we were last year, one possible contribution is that more members are signing up online.
- 5) LDRC – Sarah Tisch
 - a) Report stands.
- 6) Membership – Colet Allen
 - a) Report Stands.
- 7) Musical – Lorraine Vail
 - a) Nothing to add
- 8) Programs & Activities – Karla Langland
 - a) Report Stands.
 - b) The volunteer fair will include a member art exhibit, with a December 1st deadline for artist applications. Sales of the art will not be a part of the show.
- 9) Travel Pilot Program – Rebecca Jurta
 - a) Report stands.
 - b) Also, the Africa trip now has five people signed up.
- 10) Venue and Technology - Loraine Vail
 - a) Report Stands.

5. Old Business

A. Strategic Plan 2030 Monitoring (Tisch)

- 1) Tisch presented a draft Indicator Table with examples. Committees will be asked to work through the indicators. A concern is that not all the standing committees have a chair which means it would be unclear as to who is the person responsible for seeing the work is done. Tisch said she would work with committees who need assistance and help fill in the gaps. Google Drive will be a useful tool for committees to report progress.
- 2) Tisch wants the Council to think about ways to make being chairperson a more attractive prospect. She suggests moving some chairperson responsibilities to the committee members and having standard chair job descriptions. Discussion of this will be on the November agenda and Hall and Gapasin volunteered to work on a global description of chair responsibilities.
- 3) Inghram expressed concern about some of the proposed timeline dates and suggested a more incremental approach. Gapasin emphasized the importance of measuring progress and developing an operations expansion plan.
- 4) Succession planning, including for committee chairs as well as officers, remains an important unmet goal.

B. Update to Bylaws (Schuyler)

- 1) A timeline of the steps involved in reviewing and approving revisions to the Bylaws was presented. The timeline included the many steps up through final approval of the amended Bylaws, should they be adopted by the membership. The council then reviewed the proposed changes.
- 2) Schuyler will entertain any additional revisions, with a vote on the changes to be made during the November council meeting.

6. New Business

A. None

7. Additional Remarks

A. A

8. Adjournment

A. The meeting was adjourned at 5:24 PM