

**EAC Meeting
March 9, 2022
Zoom**

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Chairperson JoAnn Donovan; Joan Falk read the opening prayer. Those in attendance were Barb Atteln, Paula Bakula, Connie Diekman, JoAnn Donovan, Nancy English, Joan Falk, Maggie Fowler, Lucy Hahn, Joan Kelly, Ruth Ann Kerr, Wendi Valenti, and Mary Lee Walter.

Both the agenda and the consent agenda were approved.

Annual Awards Meeting: Joan Kelly

Joan shared the previous year's agenda and the group discussed tweaks to it for this year's meeting. Candance will do this year's opening prayer. Nancy Blattner has been confirmed for her address to the group. It was decided that the FCC video would be inserted within the Membership Centennial portion of the program. Included within that portion will also be some suggested reasons for becoming members of FCC that could be used to help current members discuss membership with prospective members.

It was decided that a link for registration to the event would be included within the invitation sent out to the general membership, along with some encouragement for members to invite prospective members. Members will be asked to register their invited guests. The invitation will also include the access link to the meeting itself to ensure that members who neglected to register could still join the celebration.

Reunion Weekend: Maggie Fowler and Lucy Hahn

The current thought is that there would be one tour for each class represented at the Reunion Weekend ('70, '71, '72). Wendi has requested that we be able to host the tea in the Board Room in the library, where the FCC video will be shown and refreshments will be served. A program on the archives will be hosted in the library as well. The exact timing for each of these events has not yet been established. Attendees will sign up in advance for each of these events, but this too has not yet been set up.

Summer Events: Lucy Hahn

Mary Lee will coordinate this possibility with some of the project winners; further information will be shared at the April Meeting. There will possibly be an activity in the fall where we might actually be able to gather on campus.

Awards Criteria: Mary Lee Walter

Kudos to the Awards Committee for the helpful guidelines that were sent out to all FCC members. March 23, at 5:00 pm is the deadline for votes to be cast.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:16 pm.

Officer and Committee Reports

- **Treasurer's Report: Paula Bakula**
\$73,221 is available for Awards.
- **Corresponding Secretary: Ruth Ann Kerr**
There were no new members, no lapsed members, and no drops in February. There were no tributes or memorials. She sent membership acknowledgments to seven members.
- **Communications Committee: Joan Falk**
 - I have been making assignments for the next issue of FCC Newsletter to be issued in early May, which will feature the Annual Meeting and Award Announcements, as well as information about the Round Tables. There will also be an article on the Center for Bosnian Studies which had its official opening on March 1, which was attended by several FCC members. I am hoping to be able to introduce a new members and to report on the Centennial Membership Campaign. As always, I am open to suggestions for additional content.
 - I am currently finalizing an invitation to the Annual Meeting scheduled for April 23. I remain available for assistance in design/editing of other announcements for FCC activities/events, as requested.
- **Archives Committee: Nancy English**
Nancy had nothing to report.
- **Awards Committee: Susan Lenihan and Mary Lee Walter**
The first Round Table was held on Friday March 4. We had a low turnout, but a good discussion. Both Dr. Blattner and Ann Spall joined in the discussion. Please remind other FCC members to sign up for a Round Table!!
- **Events Committee: Joan Kelly**
Joan had nothing to report.
- **Membership Committee: Maggie Fowler and Lucy Hahn**
 - The Membership Committee is focusing on the Annual Meeting and Reunion Weekend activities as powerful sources for inviting both prospective and non-active members to see FCC in action. To that end, we are going through both our individual prospect lists, class lists, plus alumnae who have donated to Fontbonne in the past and thus have demonstrated some level of interest. As always, we will use the scheduled events to ramp up our Centennial Campaign by calling and personally inviting classmates, Fontbonne alumnae, etc. who may be interested in FCC.
 - Nancy English serves as our Membership Participation Activities Chair in close partnership with Wendi. We devoted a segment of our meeting to assigning members to call individuals who have not been involved this year. This is something the committee routinely monitors with individuals reaching out for personal connection.
 - Joan Kelly led a dynamic discussion about the Membership Committee's role in the Centennial Recruitment Campaign and our responsibility to encourage a more robust participation by ALL members to play an active role in achieving our *One Hundred by One Hundred New Member* goal.
 - Mary Lee will try to arrange summer events to showcase FCC-funded projects.

- Future events include:
 - May 13 Golden Arcade – The purpose is to toast the three reunion classes – ‘70, ’71 and ’72.
 - Reunion Weekend Afternoon Tea and Tours on May 14
 - The Committee would like to take advantage of the University’s Reunion Weekend by possibly hosting a Tea and Tour. Mary Lee offered to help Wendi organize campus tours guided by FCC members, which could showcase areas that demonstrate FCC funding. Joan Kelly offered to recruit Events Committee members to provide refreshments. The FCC video could be on shown on a loop next to the refreshment table.
 - We would like to invite Sr. Jane Hassett (Fontbonne President, 1972-1985) as an honored guest as well as extending a special invitation to other CSJ members.
 - Potential Summer Events
 - Pending EAC approval, Awards Committee Co-Chair Mary Lee Walter will coordinate summer events highlighting FCC-funded programs/projects in time to be announced at the Annual Meeting.
 - The Committee also discussed hosting either a mid-July FCC mixer when Ruth Ann will be in town OR a late July event for when Lucy Hahn is in St. Louis. We will discuss this further at the April Membership Committee Meeting.
 - We also discussed the possibility of FCC hosting a Fall mixer.
- The Committee also looks forward to hosting small in-house gatherings for classmates and other alums as our five Founders did with amazing success.

As you can see, the Membership Committee is ramping up our Centennial Campaign efforts but will need a lot more recruiting support from all FCC members.

- **Bylaws: Barb Atteln**

I have no report for this month. I am planning to resume working on the FCC Manual updates after tax day. Stay tuned. . .

- **FCC Liaison Report: Wendi Valenti**

- It is with mixed emotions that I inform you that Kay Barnes, VP for Advancement has announced her retirement in June of this year. Also, Marcia Quint, Director of Grants took an early retirement this month. We are attempting to fill both positions.
- Fontbonne has started to relax the mask requirements on campus, but there are still areas where masks are required (marked with signage). Masks are still required at all events. Events also require approval from an oversight committee.
- Please remember to register for one of the remaining roundtables if you have not already.
 - Saturday, March 12, 10:00 -11:30 am
 - Wednesday, March 16, 5:30 -7:00 pm
 - Tuesday, March 22, 9:00 - 10:30 am

Respectfully submitted by Nancy English, Recording Secretary, April 11, 2022