Welcome to the CCR June 2022 Newsletter.

As your new CCR president I first want to acknowledge and specially thank several people who have helped to keep CCR together over the last two years during the Covid-19 pandemic and our move out of the College of Charleston North Campus.

Catherine Langlois inherited the president’s position far different from what she, or anyone else, could have predicted. For a year and a half CCR met virtually from the Riley Center, with all the difficulties that entailed. No one expected that Microsoft Teams and then Zoom would ever replace our in-person meetings, as shown by our declining membership numbers. She also had to contend with the loss of our previous treasurer, membership chair and communications chair. Catherine then led us back to limited in-person meetings at Founders Hall with social distancing, mask and vaccine requirements to protect our at-risk membership. We are CCR because of her.

Sherry and Ray Stewart have admirably led the curriculum committee over the last two years. They were able to achieve the same quality of presenters, but with a smaller number of committee members to help select, recruit and work with our speakers. All this was done by phone and email. We look forward to the speakers that Sherry and Ray helped arrange for us in the Fall.

Lastly, but certainly not least, has been Midge Moran upon who fell the tasks of first leading our online virtual presentations from the Riley Center and then the much more difficult challenge of hybrid meetings from Founders Hall. Whenever there was a need, Midge was there to fill it.

CCR Board

Below is a listing of the new CCR board elected at our virtual annual business meeting on May 9th. Some are new to the board. Some were initially appointed by the board to fill in after others left and are now elected members, one has taken a new position, and several of us are recycled, awaiting new members next year.

President: Fred Rosenberg
1st VP Curriculum: Sylvia Gamboa and Del Sisson
2nd VP Membership: Karen Delcioppo
Treasurer: Bill Schwartz
Secretary: Cathy Walker

Officers 2022-2024:
  Diana Barth
  Nancy Hild
  Geraldine Pogue
  Ijo Toporek
Cheryl Wood
Officers 2021-2023
Margaret Dobson
Jimmy Gapusan
Midge Moran
Faye Seigel
Richard Winett
Ex-officio
Past-President: Catherine Langlois
Social Chair: Carol McLaughlin
Historian: Sharryn Clark
CofC Liaison: Kendra Stewart

Service in Action
The Service In Action Committee decided to have Communities In Schools as their number one focus this year. We encourage all CCR members to sign up for one of these 1 1/2-hour trainings over the summer.

July 26, 10 am on Zoom,
August 2, 2 pm, in person, Riley Center, 176 Lockwood Drive 29403
August 11, 12 noon, Zoom

Once you complete your training and background check, you can choose your school, and start mentoring when school resumes late summer.

If you want to sign up for one of these trainings, please contact Alassor@cisofsc.org so she can contact you and send the link for the Zoom trainings or know you are coming in person on August 2nd.

In addition, we are delighted that Aimee will be one of our featured CCR speakers on September 19, at 2 pm.

Micki Rosenberg will continue to send updates on how you can help in the Butterfly Garden in North Charleston.

If you are interested in volunteering, please fill in the Volunteer Application Form, which will be used to match you with organizations of interest, once it is safe to volunteer in person.

Curriculum Committee
The Curriculum Committee is inviting all recent and past CCR members to attend it’s meeting at the Riley Center on Monday, June 6th at 11:00. More information will follow.
New CCR Meeting Location
As announced last month, our new meeting location starting in September will be our old meeting location at 3800 Paramount Drive, North Charleston. Previously this was the College of Charleston North Campus. It is now the Charleston location of ECPI University. We continue as part of the College of Charleston.

CCR Website
Please check the CCR website for updates about CCR activities. The preliminary descriptions of our Fall 2022 presentations will be updated there through the summer as well as other CCR activities.

Have a great summer
I wish everyone a wonderful, safe and healthy summer, whether you stay here, travel around the country or go abroad. I look forward to meeting new and old friends at our first Fall meeting on September 12, 2022 at 1:00 P.M.

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