

Upper Arlington Alumni Association
Board Meeting Minutes of November 12, 2019

A scheduled meeting of the Association was held at the Offices of the Upper Arlington Board of Education, 1950 North Mallway Drive, Upper Arlington, OH 43221 at 5:10 pm after due notice was sent to all Board Members.

The following were present: Board Members-Doug Trotter, Bill Hall, Ron Johnson, Jennie Ravary, John Kost, Catherine Kennedy, Jack Graf; and Alice Finley and Megan Lewis Potts. Absent were: Sarah Eagleston, Beth Wroe and Gary Nack. There is one vacancy. President Doug Trotter served as Chair of the meeting who determined that a quorum was present, convened the meeting, and proceeded with its business following the distributed agenda attached.

The Board welcomed our two UAAA Ambassadors to their first meeting. Will Reynolds is a member of the Senior Class serving a one-year term and Abbey Vitali is from the Junior Class and will serve for a two-year term. Photographs were taken.

The minutes of the September 10, 2019 meeting were distributed to the members; then discussed without correction and therefore adopted as submitted.

The financial position of UAAA reflects \$500.00 income received from one patron membership and expense of \$120.00 during the reporting period. A copy of the financial report is attached

A) The Athletic Hall of Fame participation

Alice, Megan and Jack met with Toney and Spencer from the athletic department to discuss ways to cooperate help with this event. The UAAA will be listed on the program and the scoreboard as a sponsor. The UAAA will publicize the event to its members and solicit nominations from them. A UAAA appointee will be added into the selection process going forward.

The UAAA will act as Hosts for the Awardees at both the Friday evening reception, awardee introduction at the basketball game, and at the Awards Banquet the next day. UAAA Ambassadors will also act as Hosts to any High School athletes who are invited to attend the Banquet.

The event is scheduled for the weekend of January 2 and 3, 2020 with Ron, Doug, Bill, and Jennie volunteering to be Hosts along with the Ambassadors as well. New Board appointees will also be invited to participate.

B) Foundation Update-

Alice presented an update on the class funds being accumulated by the Foundation. The Class of 79 has established a fund and has issued a giving challenge inviting other classes to contribute to the Charles G. Will Emerging Writers Award. Further details will be developed to facilitate concept advancement.

Committees presented their reports to the Board as follows:

C) Nominating- Four Board Seats for 2020.

Bill Hall explained the procedure adopted in accordance with the by-laws. The committee was presented with 10 nominees and accompanying resumes. By conference call, Sarah, Doug, Bill, Jack, Beth Maisenbacher (UA+ed Trustee), and later Ron discussed the documentation. They thereafter ranked each in order of suitability. The individual rankings were tallied, and nominees were presented in order to the Board as a slate. By voice vote the slate was accepted. Nicolas Fortcamp, Tony Callander, and Sam McCoy have been appointed to three-year terms each beginning with the first meeting in 2020.

President Doug will offer a Board seat to each nominee in the order of ranking until four have accepted. He will report the results.

A social event was suggested to bid farewell to outgoing and welcome incoming Board members.

D) Outreach and Communications- Chair-Bill, Board Members- Catherine, Jack, with Alice, Megan and Mary Cameron

Adding an Associate Board within the UAAA was adopted at the June 2019 meeting and work will begin to fill in its skeleton structure during the year 2020.

The vigorous investigation of available web site and data base options is proceeding with all methodologies continuing to be discussed. Further investigation of the Foundation software has proven informative thereby creating the possibility of that data base use by the UAAA.

In the event data sharing proves to be workable then an RFP for web-site development must be written and proposals taken to be reviewed by the committee. No timetable has been set.

It was discussed that a temporary website might be required in the event the existing Bear Alums should fail.

E-school view (UA High School Site developer), a prospective vendor, has apparently dropped out of contention and will be approached by Bill one final time.

Pending the outcome of the Association Software selection; the Committee encourages continued UAAA efforts to promote the purposes if the UA+ed and the UAAA.

C) Image and Branding- Chair Gary, Board Members- Bill, Jack with Alice and Megan and Jane DeSantis Matyac+ Brenda Rickets Rizzo

No further work has been undertaken pending the establishment of communication and outreach methodology.

E) Officer Election- Secretary Jack

The Officers of the UAAA for 2020 were selected at this final meeting of the year. Nominations were taken from the floor and seconded. Only one name for each position was put forward for vote and therefore they were slated together. By written ballot it was accepted; President- Bill Hall; Vice President- Jack Graf; Secretary, and Financial Reporter- Catherine Kennedy.

The Chair asked if there was any new business to come before the meeting. There being none, he announced the next and final scheduled meeting would be January 7, 2020, 5pm at the Board Offices with the agenda to be distributed in advance which satisfies the notice requirement for such meeting.

There being no further business for full Board action, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Jack R Graf Jr

Jack Graf, Secretary