

COLERAIN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
Called Meeting – 9 September 2002
7:30 PM

M I N U T E S

PRESENT: Greg Stanley, President; Denny Hirsch, Vice-President; Ev Peterson-Fox, Secretary; Michele Rub-Hughes, Treasurer; Connie Dorrman, Trustee; Rick Cullum, Guest.

EXCUSED: Stan Trusler, Trustee; Jerry Hansert, Trustee

CALL TO ORDER: Greg Stanley, President, called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves.

SECRETARY REPORT: Ev. Fox distributed a copy of the 1/28/02 meeting minutes to all in attendance for review. After review, Rick Cullum made a motion to accept the minutes as printed; motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Michele Hughes gave the Treasurer's Report. Balance as of 9/9/02 is \$4794.00. Michele distributed a yearly summary of income and expenses for the Alumni. She noted the overall yearly cost of producing the newsletter is increasing. A complete summary will be included in the next newsletter, as well as, being posted on the web site. Ev. Fox made a motion for approval of the Treasurer's Report as read; the motion was seconded and carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Newsletter:

Denny Hirsch reported of possible future problems with the printing and collating of The Chatter. Currently, students at the Career Center print and collate our publication. While the students work many projects during the course of the school year, "The Chatter," is the largest project they undertake. With each publication, we are growing; not only in the size of the newsletter, but in the number of copies we are mailing. The department now has a collator to help minimize the amount of time involved; however, it is a possibility in the future other means of printing will be needed. While a few options were suggested, everyone in attendance agreed the discussion would be tabled until the Executive Board received further notification of a problem.

Connie Dorrman noted that it is becoming increasingly difficult to print all of the Chatter that we receive via mail, as well as, via the web page message board. Everyone in attendance agreed this section was enjoyed by all and needed to remain as an integral part of the newsletter.

Web Site:

Greg Stanley will speak to our Webmaster to establish a purging/retention policy for the message board. This is necessary due to the overwhelming success of this feature. Suggestions included keeping messages posted on the board for approximately six months and then moving them to a message archive that could be located by class years. Greg will report his findings at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Scholarships:

A \$400.00 Vocational Scholarship was awarded to Latasha Montgomery and the \$400.00 Academic Scholarship was awarded to Joe Bertram last spring.

Honors Night Plaque:

Paul Wesolowski presented Mr. Lee Suman with this award in appreciation of his years of continuous service and dedication to Colerain High School.

Building Recognition:

Principal, Maureen Heinz, had requested the assistance of the Executive Board with obtaining a list of the National Merit Scholar Recipients. Thanks to all who responded to our quest for this information. The project is now completed and is displayed in the front hallway.

Alumni Band:

Thanks to Paul Wesolowski who has completed the task of identifying former band members in the alumni database.

NEW BUSINESS:

Distinguished Grads 2002:

The committee met in June to review the nominations received. They selected Ted Winkler, Class of 1979 and Todd Portune, Class of 1976. Judge Winkler presides on the Hamilton County Municipal Court and Mr. Portune is a member of Cincinnati's City Council and the Hamilton County Commissioners. This prestigious award will be presented during Alumni Night, which will be held on 9/13/02.

Alumni Night:

During halftime activities, the Alumni will recognize all of the Valedictorians and Salutatorians of the graduating classes. Approximately 24 of these honorees will return starting with the class of 1950.

National Teacher's Day:

Ms. Heinz would like to invite the Valedictorians and Salutatorians to return to school that day to visit and share their life experiences since graduating, with the classes. The date is not confirmed; however, it will be sometime next spring.

Booster Project Update:

During the Alumni Meeting of 9/5/01, the members voted to support the Boosters by obtaining membership at the State Champion Level, Cardinal Club Members for the next three years. This membership would sponsor two lockers and purchase a flagpole at the new soccer stadium. To date, this project is completed, the flagpole is installed and the plaque is awaiting delivery, which will notate the CHS Alumni Association donation.

Nominating Committee:

Pursuant to the Alumni By-Laws, Greg Stanley requested volunteers to serve as a Nominating Committee to ensure a full slate of officers. The committee, consisting of Denny Hirsch, Greg Stanley and Rick Cullum, will report the names of the interested alumni at the next meeting in January; elections will take place at the March, 2003 meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, January 27, 2003, 7:30PM in the Colerain High School Administrative Office Meeting Room.

ADJOURNMENT: Rick Cullum made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Peterson-Fox,
Secretary