

ACSAA Executive Board Meeting
June 7, 2006
Afton Community Center

In attendance: Pete Vail, Oscar Lerwick, Wendy D. Poyer, Charles Davis, Carolyn Davis, Marge Secrest, Susan E. Kopyar, Ernie Cutting, Mary Butts Mariele, Glenda Butts, Charles Decker, Rudy Schuster, Scott Latsha, Jan O'Shea, Judy June, Pat Stafford, Claire Ernstrom

The meeting of the executive board was called to order at 6:07 by President Rudy Schuster.

Treasurer's Report:

Jane Moran reported on our finances.

Secretary's Report:

Charles Decker read the minutes of the last meeting. There were no additions or corrections.

Judy June announced that she has established a fund for her son, Zach, in the name of "Scholars for Dollars". Her fund has already attracted donations.

Membership Report:

Charlie Davis reported as of 2006 we stand at 241 members. We now have 52 class delegates and 27 steering committee members. Our Donor Honor Role has a total of 162 members. Charlie also reported that we have 3730 names in our database. A suggestion was made to publish the names of Donor Honor Role members at the banquet.

Scholarship Committee Report:

Marge Secrest did a follow up on our first scholarship recipient, Emily Turana. She is currently maintaining a 3.7 grade average, which Marge applauded. Our 2006 recipient, Donald Hatten, is planning to attend Broome Community College to become a police officer. Concerning our new Carlton Hayes Scholarship (\$1000.00), Marge read a very interesting and informative biography of Mr. Hayes's life beginning with his grade school experiences in Afton. A motion was made by Jane Moran and seconded by Judy June to make his biography available to the newsletter and the local library.

Newsletter Report:

Judy June had no additional news to report about the newsletter. President Schuster, however, had complimentary remarks about the latest edition of the newsletter, as did Marge Secrest. She has had many people comment on the quality of the publication. It was noted that class delegates have become more active. Pat Dedman, who headed the delegates has resigned. A suggestion was made for delegates to send postcards to classmates asking for input, ie. "are you coming to the reunion", or "do you have news". Boces would print out postcards costing \$10 per 100 cards.

Webmaster Report:

Scott reported that member information on the web will be limited to email addresses, as well as city and state. A column will be posted for distinguished alumni under the heading "Notable Notes". Marge volunteered to send the biography of Carlton Hayes to the webmaster and to the newsletter. Scott suggested a page be added to the website noting the number of donors to the alumni association. Donations are contributions above and beyond annual dues. Life members (\$1000) are exempt from dues.

July Banquet Report:

Oscar Lerwick informed the committee that Mary Hamilton has been hired to play piano for 3 hours (1 ½ hours before and after the dinner) . The committee agreed to pay her \$100 plus her dinner. Mary Butts and Jan O'Shea will man the 50/50 raffle table. The oldest class representative and the class member traveling the farthest distance will be recognized with a certificate. Marge Secrest volunteered to do the school highlights and promised her presentation would be only 2 to 3 minutes. A copy of the minutes from the last annual meeting will be at each table at the banquet. Judy Gillin, accompanied by Mary Hamilton, has donated her singing talent for our entertainment. Judy June volunteered to look into a DJ for the remainder of the evening's entertainment and dancing ending at 11:00 PM. All of the other activities including the golf tournament, school tour, and library open house are scheduled for Saturday.

A subcommittee will be formed next September to assist the banquet chairperson and to generate more activities for the alumni weekend. July 7-8 has been designated as the official Afton Alumni Weekend. A discussion was held on how to generate this proclamation as well as where and when it will be published.

The next meeting of the executive board will convene on September 11, 2006 at 6 PM at the Afton Community Center. A quick discussion on scholarship presentation was concluded with a motion by Glenda and a second by Judy to have Ernie Cutting present the two scholarships at graduation this year.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mary Butts and seconded by Marge Secrest. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05. Refreshments and conviviality were enjoyed by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Clara Ernstrom
Recording Secretary