

ACSAA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

September 20, 2005

AFTON COMMUNITY CENTER

IN ATTENDANCE: Rudy Schuster, Carolyn & Charlie Davies, Judy June, Jane Moran, Marge Secrest, Oscar & Phyllis Lerwick, Ernie Cutting, Susan Kopyar, Pat Stafford, Charles Decker, Glenda Butts, Claire Ernstrom, Scott Latsha

The executive board meeting was called to order by President Rudy Schuster at 6:20 P.M.

Minutes of the annual meeting of the Afton Central School Alumni Association were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report

Jane Moran reported on our finances.

Membership

Charlie Davis reported 100 members in 2004 and we now stand at 222 members. Our membership term is from July to July. Some members are paid up for multiple years. We have 160 members already paid for 2006. A suggestion was made to offer lifetime memberships. A lengthy discussion was held on the range of membership. The subject of membership was tabled until our next meeting. A discussion was also held on donor classifications as in levels designated as "Rainbow" and "Old English A", etc. This was also tabled until the December meeting. Membership could also be gifted for a period of time. Delegates might be involved in a membership drive. This was tabled for further discussion.

Website

Scott Latsha reported at length on the layout of our new ACSAA Website. The new address: <http://www.aftonnyalumni.org> is owned for two years and can be renewed indefinitely. Scott asked for database updates from Judy and Charlie Davis and others. Scott reviewed the web page site and its many applications such as membership, message page, list of officers, news, class directory, annual class reunion and other links. A discussion followed on whether non-members of ACSAA be listed as non-members in the future newsletter. The newsletter will not be published in its entirety in the next issue. This might entice non-members to join and receive the newsletter in full.

Banquet

Jane mentioned the length of the business meeting as a concern to older members of the association. A discussion on how to accommodate these people followed. Other items included extra events to add to the next banquet. Susan and Dennis opened their 40th reunion events to all alumni which includes a Sunday, captain and crew golf tournament with a pig roast to follow. There were suggestions of a pancake breakfast and a Friday night dance.

The following banquet hours were established for next year's banquet:

Social Hour 3:00

Business meeting 4:00

Dinner 5:00

Social Hour 7:00

Judy June noted that the place and date of the 2006 banquet were discussed and set.

Newsletter

Jane noted that the box top contributions be republished to support the scholarship fund. Jane was asked to write an article about the 2005 banquet for the newsletter and an article on our scholarship recipient about where she is now and what she is doing. An article noting the most inspired class should also be noted, as well as an article and picture of Fran Sullivan, our honorary member of 2005. Charlie Decker will contact the mayor of Afton to declare July 8 as the official Alumni Weekend.

Our next newsletter should contain a note from the president stating that the current newsletter would be last issue for those who are not members.

October 7th was set for Judy to send the newsletter for copy at BOCES and be delivered by October 22.

Rudy recounted his visit with Lauren Guy. A former alumnus of Afton has donated book royalties to our association to be used as a separate scholarship. Glenn Swart has turned over a fund of \$800 from the Chamber of Commerce to our association. It was suggested we contact Tom Vail to be an advisor in setting up an investment fund for these scholarship monies. Jane Moran also is looking for a separate bank to place the scholarship money.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 for light refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,
Clara Ernstrom
Recording secretary