

Minutes of the 4/24/21 Meeting of the Alumni Assn.

The meeting was called to order by Nancy Pearch in Rindy's absence. Also present were Peggy Rutledge, Kathy Jordan, Linda Shetler, Becky Caufield, MaryAnna Cotter, Robin Shetler, Carol McClain, and Nita Yager.

Nancy offered prayer, and introduced the group.

Minutes were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report was given by Peg with a balance of \$10,079.54. Peg reported that the scholarship committee had met and granted five scholarships of \$1,000 each to five deserving students as follows:

Landon Nardi

Kylie Ferguson

Samantha Myer

Carly Caldwell

Emily Seidel

The results were sent to Mrs. Edwards. It was agreed we need a fundraiser.

Kathy asked where our money is kept and Peg explained we are under the Rocket Foundation as a separate account and are using the 503© number already established by them. Pat advised there is \$43,000 in their account. Pat writes the checks. Kathy advised we can work that way and in fact that is how they do it also and it works well with less costs. Kathy suggested we have the kids sign off on a form that the monies provided will be used for education. She will supply us with their form.

Old Business: The 5/1/21 walk thru at Bowerston Elementary was discussed. Peg reported that she had the flyer done and she had talked to Debbie Carrothers about the time capsule. She reported Mrs. Bente said it is located near the oak tree near the school. They will try to find it, dig it up and it can be opened on Saturday.

It was learned that the walls with dates from both elementaries will be included at the Rocket Center.

As far as the speakers, Riindy is talking to Mr. Horstman, Robin to Mr. Rippeth and Nita to Mr. Wright. It was decided to have speakers speak at noon. Carol advised she can speak to Mr. Demuth. Carol also asked we send a flyer to the "Messenger". Nita will do it. Linda, Becky and Robin will reach out to any teachers they can.

Carol reported that Luke Fierbaugh has donated 6 lbs. of hamburg for the day. She will make sloppy joes so that we can serve hot dogs, sloppy joes and coneys. Nita will donate the buns,

Peg will get napkins, Ketchup and Mustard. Nancy will pick up carry outs. MaryAnna will provide a history table.

Linda reported she had gone thru the Bowerston building. She found a box of trophies and shelving that she felt could be used in our offices. She advised the wood floors in the gym area cannot be pried up; however, felt the wood bleacher seats could be used and maybe the stage. Linda found little chairs in the boiler room and wondered if we could sell them. The auction was discussed. Linda found no pictures, books or music. It was decided we should be at the school by 9:00am on May 1 to set up.

Nancy advised we will have T-shirts to sell on Saturday. Sizes small thru large at \$8.50, 2x and 3x are \$9.50 and \$10.50. It was decided that we will add \$5.00 to those prices. Peg will get change for the event. Nancy reported the Tigers Den in Strasburg will then take over our online orders.

Kathy reported that their school has a spot for a spirit shop and it sells merchandise and does well. We may want to consider this idea.

Peg and Nancy reported on the officers' meeting with Mr. Herman. They talked mostly about the rocket statue. Nancy knows where we can get pavers engraved.

Peg will contact everyone who wants to work on the Strategic Plan and set up a meeting. Carol would also like to be on the committee.

After learning that our next meeting will be held memorial day weekend, discussion was held on moving the meeting. It was agreed to continue to meet on May 29 at 9:00am at Administrative Bldg. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted,

Nita Yager

Next regularly scheduled meeting: May 29, 2021 at 9:00am at Administrative Bldg.