

## **Minutes of the January 12, 2011 Board Meeting:**

President, Disa Banker, called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM at the Panera Bread location in Natomas.

Members Present: Disa Banker, Gary Penwell, Ralph Cornwell, Sharon Johnson, Stephanie Gaiser, Ramona Moenter.

Absent: Sarah Moenter

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the November meeting were submitted. Gary moved to accept the minutes and Ralph Seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Jenn will finish up the Treasurer's book and pass it along to Stephanie. There will be three people on the signature card at the bank for check writing. The checking balance stands at \$ 3,378. Savings/scholarship \$11, 419. Stephanie has \$25. in a new membership to add and \$400. to add to the scholarship fund. It was reported that the Holiday Auction earned \$1100. for the Scholarship fund.

### **Officer's Reports:**

Gary suggested that we consider printing business cards for the club. A sample card was received from an Alumna in Florida and she will print the cards for free. It was decided to take this action of printing business cards for the club.

Ralph's Report on Scholarship: The student deadline for applications is Feb. 25. Applicants should be in the top 10 – 25% of their graduating class as one of the criteria for application.

Disa reported that new name tags will be needed for some officers. We will make name tags available to the membership and place one order.

### **Old Business:**

Kings games/ Mountain Lions: There doesn't seem to be any interest in getting a group together to watch a Kings game. The season is over for the Mountain Lions

Request for Speakers: We have not heard whether we will receive a speaker from the Alumni Association. Several names were submitted before the November deadline last year including the name of Coach Tressel. We requested a speaker for March. The Board decided not to schedule a spring fundtion until we know if we have a speaker.

Holiday Party: The Holiday party earned \$1100. for the Scholarship Fund.

### **New Business:**

Banquet: A banquet will not be scheduled until we find out if we have a speaker.  
Fundraiser ideas: Ralph brought a sample cutout of Brutus Buckeye yard ornament. It was decided to look into making some to be sold as a fund raiser.

A member is selling OSU weather vanes, through a Shrine project, that can be used as a roof mount or garden ornament. The club will receive a kickback for each one sold.

Golf Outing: Randy Hoagland offered to take charge of a golf outing/fund raiser. More on that later.

Diversity Grant: Alumni Clubs are encouraged to submit proposals for funding of a Diversity Grant. 5 \$1000. grants are available this year. One idea submitted was to ask the St. John's Women's shelter to cater an event for us. Another was to help Home Depot plant spring plants at a community facility. Application deadline is April 7, 2011.

Events For 2011: Several ideas were mentioned for the coming year.

- Golf Outing

- Bowling at Country Club Lanes

- Cosmopolitan Cabaret which is playing Jan. 28 - May 8.

- Napa Wine Tasting

Board Meetings for 2011: March 3, May 5, August 4, November 3.

Holiday Party: December 8, 2011 Location to be announced.

Game Watch: It was decided to look for a new place for next year. R15 is a downtown location that will be checked out. Also the Board is interested in exploring going back to the old location if we can contact the new owner. The Board is open to suggestions.

The Board decided to schedule a game watch for the Feb. 15 Men's Basketball game with Michigan State at 6:00.

The Big Ten Tournament for Men's Basketball will be Mar. 10-13. The Club hopes to schedule game watches during the tournament. Might be a good time to explore new venues.

Build Interest: Some ideas to build interest in the Club:

- A sign in sheet at game watches with names and email addresses

- Carnations handed out at Homecoming game

- Bucket List for Alumni

- Name tags for game watches

- Buckeye Trivia at game watches

Survey for Members: A survey will go out to the membership. Board members are asked to submit 2 questions to put on the survey. Specifically we are looking for options for game watches.

Sugar Bowl: the Sugar Bowl game watch had 64 people in attendance.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharonlee Johnson, Secretary