

Sacramento Valley Alumni Board Minutes for October 20, 2015
The Lodge, Rancho Cordova

Present: President Ramona Moenter, Secretary Peggy Penwell, Board Member at Large/Webmaster Gary Penwell, Board Member / Student Recruitment and Scholarship Committee Chair Marsha Koopman, Board Member at Large Jon Finkler, Vice President/Membership Jay Beedy, New Treasurer Steve Yaussy, Assistant Treasurer Mary Yaussy

Absent: None

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 by President Ramona Moenter, who welcomed our new treasurers, Steve and Mary Yaussy.

Secretary's Report: Ramona said mentioned "Sproull" was misspelled. Marsha moved to approve the minutes as amended and Jon seconded. Minutes were approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report: Steve reported a closing checking account balance in August of \$5664.46. Savings account ending balance in August was \$10,654.54. The closing checking account balance for September was \$6596.89. Savings account balance ending in September was \$10804.81 Ramona and Steve confirmed the financial data with the Wells Fargo August and September statements. Gary moved to accept the treasurer's report. Jon seconded and the motion passed. Steve requested moving \$3000 from checking to savings. Ramona moved to move \$3000 from checking to savings. Jay seconded and the motion was approved.

Webmaster's Report: Gary reported 327 visits to the website. Our Regional Support Specialist, Erin Howell, will start to convert our website to the OSUAA/OSU brand on WordPress, but we cannot keep the jokes. We can keep "sacvalleybuckeyes.com." to use as a forwarding address. Everything must now use the new block O instead of our old logo.

Scholarship: Our 2 scholarship winners, Olivia Righton and Sterling Winter will be highlighted in the Nov/Dec issue of our national Alumni Magazine. Marsha reported our 6 College Nights: San Juan, Natomas, Inderkum, Roseville, Catholic, and Elk Grove were very successful. Marsha said the boxes of materials from OSUAA for each College Night only had 50 brochures for each night. 300-800 were attending the events, so she needs more materials for next year. Marsha said the students and parents were very

interested in OSU, asked some great questions and were very aware of Ohio State and excited to see us represented at the College Nights.

Membership: Jay reported 57 paid memberships so far. Many of the memberships were for new members. Some of our new younger members worked at our College Night booths. Several have worked at our Tailgate games. We would like to attract even more younger members. Since we need to replace our name badges, Jay will get a quote for the replacements.

Old Business:

Banner: Jay reported he is waiting for Neil and Sean's approval.

Scrapbook: No news

Fireworks Fundraiser: Gary reported there was not enough interest so suggested we drop the idea for now.

Flyers: Gary will make a flyer for the Holiday Party to have available at the game watches so members can RSVP. Gary will make Bid Sheets for the Silent Auction with a statement that says they may ask for an IRS receipt.

Kings/Cavs Game: Ramona said she had a flyer for the Kings game (March 9). We have 20 seats reserved but there is a deadline to pay Ramona. We will pass the Kings game clipboard during the games for people to sign up, as well as e-mail. We need a 9 volt battery for the microphone so she can make announcements at the game watches.

Email: Ramona will send separate emails announcing the Holiday Party and the Kings game. Mary asked to be added to email for board members.

Board Member Guidelines revisions: Gary passed out the revisions to be put in each notebook.

New Business:

Events:

Silent Auction: Jay reserved the board room with Matt for the Silent Auction Nov. 21. Ramona said she had a Woody Hayes caricature and a signed copy of Jack Parks's

book. Jay will ask the casino to buy tickets to an event to be put in the auction. It was decided to not do a raffle at that game as it would take away from the auction. Peggy will have bid sheets available.

Holiday Party: It will be at Rio City on Tuesday, Dec. 8 with cocktails at 6:30 and dinner at 7:00. The meals are: vegetarian ravioli - \$40, chicken - \$45 (subsequently changed to \$40), and salmon - \$50. Gary will include Yaussy's email and address on the flyer for members to send checks or PayPal. The deadline is Dec. 1st. Ramona will invite Ashley Pryor to either the Holiday Party or the Michigan State game.

Kings Season Tickets: Zack Priestman told Marsha 2 tickets for a season of 40 games cost \$5000 and would guarantee 2 seats in the new arena.

OSUAA Conference: There is a new rewards structure: Scarlet, Grey, or Carmen, which determine the level of financial support OSUAA will return to the club. We must have a signed Constitution, the new branding and a signed Charter. Ramona passed out copies of the Charter for the board members to read. We would like to attain the Scarlet level, which we feel is possible: Some of the requirements include:

- Documentation: sending attendance lists to OSUAA
- 5 Category I events:
 - Networking: Ramona suggested "Buckeyes After Work" for young adults. We need a list from OSU of recent graduates.
 - Diversity: Mary will investigate Earth Day at Davis on April 20-21.
 - Community Service: Rod Thomas is again coordinating an event at the Food Bank. Jay suggested working at the election.
 - Arts: Our planned event at "Newsies" fulfills this.
 - Special Interest: Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure – Peggy will inquire about having a team "Buckeyes for Boobs"
 - Student Recruitment: our 6 College Nights fulfills this

Travel Expense: Mary moved to give Peggy \$500 for expenses to the OSUAA Symposium as the incoming president. Jay seconded and the motion passed.

Maurice Clarett: Ramona reported Maurice has a charity called Play Sober 24/7. He will have a press conference at St. Hope Charter School on October 28. Mayor Kevin Johnson and the mayor of Roseville will be in attendance. Jay, Marsha, and Ramona will attend. Ramona will be asked to speak. The charity would like a monetary donation to help buy t-shirts to give to the children when they sign the pledge. Jon

moved to donate \$100. Jay seconded and the motion passed. Gary will give Ramona a logo for the shirt. We would like a picture of the shirt with our logo on it.

Board Expense Approval Process: Steve designed a form for prior approval of expenditures. Gary will put the form on the website and will add the date of approval. Jay moved to accept this form, Ramona seconded, and the motion passed.

Culture Festival: Jay passed out a list of festivals. Mary suggested Earth Day in Davis. Board approved and Mary will get additional information.

Meeting with Chad Warren: Sunday, Nov. 8 at Fat City downtown at 6 PM. Jay will make a reservation.

Big 10 Happy Hour: Ramona mentioned that a Northwestern alum had emailed her about participating in this event. Jay suggested we invite them to meet at the casino.

Big 10 Bowling: Russ Sproull and Bob Turner came in 2nd.

Board candidates: Ramona will announce at the game watches and in emails that we need members to join the board, especially Secretary, for next year.

Birthday: Gary's birthday was celebrated with cake, and a special ice cream treat.

Next meeting: 11/10/15 at 7:00 at Cordova Lodge

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Penwell
Secretary