Sacramento Valley Alumni Board Minutes for March 15, 2016
The Lodge, Rancho Cordova

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

The meeting was called to order by President, Peggy Penwell.

Secretary’s Report: The spelling of Jay Beedy’s and Jon Finkler’s names was corrected. Marsha moved and Jay seconded to accept minutes as corrected.

Treasurer’s Report: Steve reported an ending February balance in the Checking account to be $2936.49. The balance in the Savings account is $19,556.75. Jay and Gary confirmed the financial data with the Wells Fargo statement. Jay made the motion to accept and Gary seconded. The motion was accepted.

Webmaster’s Report: 128 visits in January and 99 visits in February. The new site will be consistent with OSU and fully functional by April 4

Membership Report: It was agreed that new badges would be provided for all 2015-2016 paid members. Jay reports that Penwell’s secured new badge case. All game watch materials are stored in Jay’s garage.

Scholarship Report: Marsha reported that Olivia Righton and Sterling Winter are to receive our scholarship awards. We are waiting to see if Ayan Chowdhury will choose OSU. If not, his scholarship money of $2000 will be divided between Olivia and Sterling. The motion to accept this plan was made by Ramona, seconded by Jay, and passed.
Ramona brought up support of endowed $50,000 scholarship fund at OSU. Discussion about our support took place. At the present time a motion by Mary and seconded by Jon stated that we would take no further action on the proposal.

**Old Business:**

Buckeyes Helping Buckeyes: Cheryl and Jay have been involved in assessing Kristi Amerson and her family’s needs. She was our waitress for our game watches at the Lodge and has been active in Buckeye activities. Trying to help her provide a “forever memory” for her severely disabled son and her other children we provided assistance by collecting monies to help with a trip to Disneyland. Cash and gift cards totaling $320 were given to her. She took the trip on March 15th. As the family still has many needs Mary suggested, and Gary seconded that we create a method of giving and present it to our members that could provide gift cards, items, or monies that could further assist her.

Mary reported that a group participated in the Martin Luther King walk in January.

Jay reports that the plans for the group to see the musical “Newsies” has been cancelled as it sold out. There is a new plan to make see “Motown” if possible on May 21st.

Ramona reports that the $100 owed by Maurice Clarett’s organization for cancelled activity has been paid.

Jay reports that the 2 tickets that Bev Nicholson bought at the silent auction have been provided by us as the Lodge, the original donor, did not follow through on them. Jay arranged for tickets through Ted Hansen and Steve has reimbursed him $90. Bev was pleased with the experience.

The Board has decided to drop trying to collect from the Lodge as motioned by Jay and seconded by Gary.
Ramona said that the Cavaliers vs Kings game was disappointing in that they didn’t really get to meet the team at practice and see Lebron James.

Big Ten Happy Hour took place on Feb 24. Wasn’t posted on sponsor, Northwestern Club’s site until Feb 20. No one from OSU was in attendance.

Jay has sent a letter to the Lodge management, given to Matt that thanks them for participating in our “Game Watches” and assumes that they will willingly work with us next year. If we don’t hear back within 2 weeks we will go forward assuming they agree.

**New Business:**

Buckeyes after Work: Kelly Hagar has been visiting local bars for sites, convenience, times that might appeal to younger members. Exploring using social media of Facebook and Linked In.

Peggy reports the opportunity to participate in Race for the Cure on May 7 Buckeyes for Boobs $20, walk a mile, one of our service projects

Our Sacramento Food Bank service project will be April 26

Service opportunity at American River Half Marathon Aid station on April 30. Check in with Marsha

Jay reports there is more service available by working with the Board of Elections for primary elections in June Training in mid-April.

The next meeting is May 17, 2016 at the Cordova Lodge at 7:00pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00
Respectfully submitted.

Cheryl Kinsey
Secretary