Ohio State Alumni Club of Southwest Virginia

Board Meeting Minutes
July 17, 2007

President Bill Harlor called the meeting to order at 5:45 P. M.

Members present were: Dennis Ahern, Mark Finkler, John Flick, Sean Greene, Bill Harlor, Ann Howard, John Hines, Randy McFarland, Sandy Merriman, Karl Vandegriff, Gary Walton and Bob Williams.

Items discussed were:

The minutes of the March 13, 2007, Board meeting were approved.

Secretary’s Report – Bob Williams reported the roster would be updated in the September/October time frame. Resignations will be reflected in the new roster. Bill Harlor will continue to make telephone contacts. Gary Walton agreed to contact club member Brian Gibson regarding the development of a club web site.

Treasurer’s Report – Karl Vandegriff reported cash on hand in our checking account was $3408.04. He noted that pending further inputs from Columbus, our club scholarship fund balance was ~$4100.00. These monies are currently in a Current Use fund which earns no interest of income. After some amount of discussion, it was decided to explore placing these funds where interest may be earned. The Lockridge Fund was mentioned as one possibility.

Scholarship Report – It was noted that we may have $6600.00 to award this year. With regard to Back-to-School Events and better publicity regarding our scholarship efforts, a committee was formed to pursue these items. Members are John Hines, Chairman, Ann Howard, Gary Walton, Bill Harlor and John Flick.

Other Items Discussed

Diversity Grant Application – No action recommended.

Virginia Tech Fund – No action proposed, but some action may be explored.

Awards – Bill Harlor will apply for newsletter and outstanding club awards.

Newsletter/Dues Notice – After some amount of discussion, it was decided that a newsletter should be published two times a year; in October with dues notice and in March. The October newsletter would also remind everyone of our Michigan Game party and anticipated bowl parties. The March newsletter would serve to advertise our annual meeting.
Events – Planned events were:

   Alumni Leaders’ Conference, October 12 – Bill Harlor and Karl Vandegriff planning on attending.

   Penn State Game Watch, October 27 – Gary Walton will contact local PSU Club to determine their interest in a joint meeting.

   Michigan Game Party, November 17 – Sean Green, John Hines, Gary Walton, Mark Finkler and Bill Harlor to organize this event.

   Annual Meeting, May 7, 2008 – Bill Harlor, Chairman, Dennis Ahern, Sandy Merriman and Sean Green to organize this event.

   2008 Football Trip – The Club agreed to plan on a 2008 trip. Possible games are Ohio University (9/6/08) or Troy (9/30/08).

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert G. Williams
Secretary