

Alumni Meeting Minutes from the Regional Awards Conference, March 20, 2010

The meeting was open at 12:30 PM, while we were eating our box lunches

- Old Business:
 - (1) Angelyna Westrich made a motion that the minutes from Leadership in Action and Honors in Action to be approved. Tiffany McEldowney seconded it. The minutes were approved
 - (2) Proposals follow-up:
 - a) Sondra's proposal was passed effective with this year's outgoing officers. Connie will get with the officers to remind them about this.
 - b) Alumni Recognition Proposal – Terri Williamson explained her proposal. There will be some adjustments, which Terri will do. Then Terri will send it to Connie so that Connie can send it out as an electronic vote. Certificates will be given to those who are nominated, during the alumni meeting. Terri Williamson and Cindy Carbone will take care of the pins. The pins will be given out at the awards banquet at the Regional conference.
 - (3) Fundraisers:
 - a) International Marketplace – we will have a table in the Marketplace. We do have a sign up sheet for help. Connie will contact Casey Holcomb (HQ) about having Stark State's table and our table close together so that they can also help with our table.
 - b) Raffle Baskets – Connie asked the group if we would like to continue with them for next year. We have raised over \$300 for scholarship, which no one applied for it this year so the money will be there for next year. Tiffany McEldowney made the motion that we continue with the raffle baskets. David Kerr seconded it. It was approved.
 - 1) Carol Kirkpatrick made a motion that the theme for the Leadership in Action basket would be "Fitness in Action" (which would be fitness items). Jina Clay seconded it. It was approved.
 - (4) Alumni Newsletter – Connie mentioned that we were able to have three editions this year. She did mention that we do need everyone's help on the articles. All of the newsletters do have the President's corner and Secretary's report.
 - a) Connie went over the schedule of the newsletters. The next issue will be out in the May/June time frame. The reason for dates is based around the regional events.
 - (5) Members-at-Large Projects
 - a) David Kerr will be going through the by-laws so that they can be current for next year's officers
 - b) Nicholas Gesell – we have tried to get a hold of him but there haven't been any responses. Connie asked the group to please contact him to check on him.
 - (6) Alumni Polo's – All of the officers, except for Nick, have received their polo shirt
 - a) We are selling them for \$20 and we have sizes from medium to 3XL. After we pay back the region, since the bill was a little bit more we excepted and the region is helping us, the money will remain in the general fund so that we have money for future fundraisers.
 - b) Carol Kirkpatrick suggested that we sell the shirts on facebook as an event. Carol said she would set it up with Connie as admin for the event.
- New Business
 - (1) Cindy Carbone, our regional coordinator, talked about how she's impressed on our growth and other things we're doing. She would like us to "gently" encourage and help the members.

- a) She did ask us to get some new pins with the new logo, for the Leadership in Action event.
 - b) Cindy gave us the location upcoming regional events. They are:
 - Leadership in Action – July 16-17 at Hocking College - Nelsonville
 - Honors in Action – in the fall at Eastern Gateway (formerly Jefferson Community College)
 - Regional awards – in March at Stark State College of Technology
 - c) Cindy mentioned that we might want to find a co-advisor to help Chuck, due to Chuck's school obligations. Tiffany McEldowney suggested that we talk to Rick Clever about being co-advisor. Connie Myers-Kerr will talk to Rick. Terri Williamson mentioned that she would be willing to help in the mean time.
- (2) Upcoming events:
- a) Connie talked about International at Orlando. Between Heather and Chuck they will have money for marketplace.
 - b) Connie talked about how alumni can help at International, such as introducing speakers at the breakout sessions, at the foundation booth and ushers at the general sessions. If anyone is interested, please contact Connie, Heather or Courtney Taylor (at International).
 - c) Marketplace will be closed during the alumni events Friday night.
 - d) Terri Williamson is running for Alumni Advisory Council
- (3) Alumni Retreat:
- a) Connie asked the group if they would be interested in an Alumni Retreat and they all said yes.
 - b) Connie mentioned that it will be in the Central Ohio area since its central located for everyone. We will try to have it sometime after International but before Leadership in Action in July.
 - c) Connie asked if anyone has any ideas on location please let her know, but while keeping the fee at a reasonable price
- (4) Tri-regional fellowship event:
- a) Heather informed the group that she have been in contact with the Indiana and Kentucky regions. They love the idea!
 - b) Heather told the group that 3 dates were picked and they are: June 25 – 27, July 16-18 and August 6 – 8. Heather mentioned that the Kentucky region thought that the July date would be good.
 - c) Our group voted on the June 25-27 date. Heather will make up a flyer so that we can have them for International.
 - d) Heather told the group what the different events were: Newport Aquarium Friday night, B & B Riverboats during the day on Saturday and a Red's baseball game Saturday night.
 - e) Heather asked the group if someone could help with getting hotel information. Carol Kirkpatrick said she would help.
- (5) Open Floor:
- a) Connie talked about if members could help us officers because we can't do everything and it would be fair
 - b) Connie will send out e-mails to the members with a list(s) where we need help which would include the Tri Regional event.

The meeting was adjourned at 2 PM. Submitted by Heather Clippinger, Secretary
5 new members were inducted in our ceremony Saturday night.