

Minutes for the Mighty Hawkeye Bn Alumni Association Board Meeting
7Apr2020
Meeting Start Time: 7:00 pm Central

Directors Present

1. Scott Ayres – '83
2. x Kevan Bakewell – '98
3. x Jamie Clasen – '07 new Vice President
4. x Brad Cook – '95
5. Kevin Flatt – '70
6. x Rob Hedgepeth – '87, President > re-elected as President
7. x Karl Kraus – '88
8. x Dave Lewis – '89
9. x Ken Madden – '71
10. x David Pinter – '90
11. Luke Peters – '89
12. x Joe Poch – '09, VP moved to Treasurer
13. x Scott Sanborn – '85
14. Stewart Wallace – '68
15. x Melanie Young – '87, Treasurer moved to Secretary

Others present: none

Due to Covid-19, several items in the March Meeting Minutes and Agenda did not happen. These included: The Military Ball was cancelled and the April 18 In Person Board Meeting.

1. Rob Hedgepeth called the meeting to order at 1900 hrs.
2. Rob called for any conflicts of interest. No conflicts were noted.
3. Approval of 3Mar2020 minutes. No discussion. Joe Poch motion for approval and Scott Sanborn second. Motion carried.
5. Committee Reports:
 - a. Treasurer's Report: Joe Poch reported:
 - Ops Fund \$3482.17 after \$265 deposit from Wreaths Across America
 - Fac Fund \$6988
 - Scholarship \$1718.55
 - Total \$12,188.72
 - b. Treasurers report includes deposit of Wreath Across America \$265 reflected in Ops Fund balance.
 - d. No change by the Center for Advancement to issue thank you letters to donors.
 - e. Military Ball – Cancelled due to Coronavirus (Covid-19) Pandemic.
 1. VA President (per David Pinter) was NOT invited due to timing of cancellation. Will consider inviting next year.
 2. Discussion on reservation money already sent in to pay for meals. ShiryI will coordinate the return of money OR you can it can be used for the next Military Ball in 2021. Each person can let ShiryI know how they want it handled.
 3. Table and sign display promoting MHBAA with cadets and family and related activities did not happen. This will be looked at again next year. Concept was to set up a table with MHBAA banner and have a question for cadets or parents to complete so we would have a permanent mailing address AND a non-Uofl email address of the cadets so we could stay in touch with them.

b. Strategic Vision Committee: (Brad Cook)

- i. Build a World Class Network of Leaders (Cook) Brad Cook. With students not on campus, mentors are encouraged to reach out to mentees.
- ii. Support, Enhance and Fund Department Activities: Karl Kraus secured old committee organization. Will discuss again in May.
- ii. Recruit the Next Generation of Leaders: (Walters). NSTR

Current numbers: 89 cadets in program. Commissioning at Kinnick Stadium. (May change due to Covid-19 Pandemic.) (Tony Wolf confirmed on April 27, 2020)

14 Seniors YG 2020 mission of 20
19 Juniors YG 2021 mission of 19
28 Sophomores YG 2022 mission of 20
28 Freshmen YG 2023 mission of 20

iv. Promote Our Organization: (Young)

- a. Newsletter. (Katie Hanna) Newsletter published 2Mar2020. Please send Katie photos, updates, etc. as she is not on the board and therefore not joining the monthly meetings.
- b. Alumni found. (Katie Hanna) No new ones noted.
- c. Post Sponsors update. (Katie Hanna) NSTR.
- d. Social Networking: (Scott Sanborn)
 1. LinkedIn: Not much changed but can push out information about refunding Mil Ball information. Rob will send Scott Sanborn any information that he has from Kevin. Additionally, all Alumni encouraged to forward to Katie for Newsletter and Scott for Linked In due to Covid-19 Pandemic.

Facebook: NSTR

6. Department Updates:

7 Mar – University of Iowa Veteran's Association fundraiser. CANCELLED due to Covid-19.
18 April – Mil Ball-Cancelled due to Covid-19.- CANCELLED due to Covid-19.
15 May – Commissioning at Kinnick Stadium. May change.

7. Old Business:

- a. ROTC Building: NSTR.

8. New Business:

- a. Next Scheduled meetings:
 - i. 18 Apr 2020 – In person meeting cancelled and moved to April 7 Conf Call Meeting due to Military Ball being cancelled. (No Luncheon.)
- b. May 5 Board Meeting via Conference Call.
- c. June 5 Board Meeting via Conference Call
- d. Scott brought up discussion on how we could help out cadets affected by Covid-19 and their commissioning. Any input received from Department to see how to proceed? Melanie to check on reservist who lost an internship due to Covid-19 to see if interested in other options that may be available via an MHBAA alumni.
- e. Joe Poch provided update on what UofI and Iowa Guard were doing in support of response to COVID 19. Jamie will forward National Iowa National Guards press release and summary to all.
- f. Kevin Flatt raised questions about current account balances and if realistic to have a Facility fund and difficulties in getting support to build a facility. Robb briefly reviewed recent history of trying to get support from university and the ongoing struggle. It is a work-in-progress. Review of funding sourcing by Joe Poch and review of

approach to new building by Robb to address Kevan Platts questions as a new member. Discussion if anyone knows someone with the Iowa Legislature as they control the funds.

9. Joe motioned and Scott 2nd to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 1932.

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Melanie C. Young

Secretary

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