

SRU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING
Saturday, January 20, 2018
10:00 A.M.
Russell Wright Alumni House & Conference Center

1. Call to order 10:04
2. Roll Call – Present . Sam Zyroll, Keith Warcup, Melissa Visco, Dick Manning, Don Huddart, Lisa Holmes, Suzanne Fodor, Mike Ross, Corey Riddell, Sue Greaves, Dominic Williams, Ron Shidemantle, Ashley Ganoë. Through Video :Mike Maurer, Richard Wood, and Katie Hill.
3. Acceptance of Minutes - Motion by Sam Zyroll and Seconded by Corey Riddell. Minutes accepted.
4. Treasurer’s Report – Melissa Visco- We are even on revenue and up on expenses. Total income we are about even. Total equity is improved by about \$ 86,000. We have a “strong balance sheet” so we can do what we need to do. Our asset mix is in position to take advantage of the continually improving market. Keith made a motion to accept treasurer’s report. Mike seconded it. Report accepted.
5. SRU Alumni Association President’s Report – Don Huddart introduced Amir Mohammadi , Interim VP for Advancement. Dr. Mohamidi gave a report which included the University’s position in the PASSHE system. We are #2 in the system, following closely behind West Chester University. He highlighted the University’s progress toward continued improvement. He also shared progress in working with AVI. There are plans for a Capital Campaign. He is excited to be working with the Alumni Association and values our alumni base. Don mentioned the Presidential Search. They are meeting and interviewing. Next group of interviewees will be on campus the week of February 12th. Goal is to have final candidates presented by March.

An “At a glance” sheet about the University is being finalized and prepared for us to have. We reviewed one provided today. We have a busy calendar year coming up. Our first Alumni Weekend is in June.

6. Committee Reports

1. University Affairs – Suzanne Fodor- Orientation for Transfer Students as yesterday and Kelly and I enjoyed it. Upcoming Orientation dates will be forwarded to members. Legacy families were welcomed by Kelly. As we get closer to Alumni Weekend in June, Legacy families will be welcomed.
2. Fiscal Affairs – Melissa Visco – Contract with Nationwide Insurance finalized. Investment Policy Statement is being revisited.
3. House and Special Projects – Gary Hoffman- Lisa Holmes presented. Master planning meeting was held in December. Information about the past was gathered. The Alumni House belongs to the University. Future use of this building will be an ongoing matter to be discussed. The new firm which is contributing to the “Master Plan” is assessing the ways in which the University will move forward. The fact finding will continue for the next 3 months.
4. Marketing and Memberships – Brad Kovaleski- Kelly stepped in to go over the quarterly membership review.

Monthly meetings of this group have been productive. Group is discussing what members of the AA do to assist the University. Members donate to scholarships for students. They mentor young alums and through programs such as Backpacks to Briefcases. Katie Hill and Ashley Ganoë also contributed. Graduation Celebration is March 29th. Usually about 1000 students walk through and it is one of our big pushes for membership.

5. Nominations – Patrick Geho- Lisa reviewed the nomination ballot. They go out February 1. Mail and e-mail are both utilized.
 1. 2018 Election Ballot. Motion to approve by Dick Manning. Second by Sue Greaves.
6. Scholarship and Awards – Richard Wood – We reviewed the three page document. Five students are duplicate recipients. Students are ranked based on their need and points. We voted on the scholarship award report. Corey made the motion and Dom seconded. Don thanked the committee. Kelly mentioned the development of a new scholarship by the Steve Winslow family. Kelly also discussed the “Day of Giving” and the Bonando scholarship.
7. By-Laws and Constitution – Corey Riddell- Corey suggested that we read the By-Laws and Constitution on line. Sam mentioned that the last overhaul was 2003.
8. Past Presidents – Sue Greaves- We have two nominees for Past Presidents Service Award. She reviewed qualifications for nominations.
9. Unfinished Business
 1. Nationwide Affinity Insurance Program- Kelly described the Nationwide roll out. They will receiving their payments quarterly. Increase will be observed next year.
 2. Alumni Weekend Ad Hoc Committee- Kelly is working on registration online. Groups that already have reunions are joining the Alumni Weekend. Programs being offered that weekend on campus will be called “Alumni Camps”. These include the McKoskey Center and the Equestrian Center.
10. New Business
 1. SRU Alumni & Friends Open – August 6, 2018
 2. Upcoming Alumni Events
 1. Diavolo
 2. Florida Alumni Events
 3. Senior Transitions Conference
 4. Shamrock Dinner and Young Irishers
 5. Backpacks to Briefcases Spring Events
 3. 2018-19 Meeting Dates
 1. July Retreat
 2. Homecoming: October 13-14, 2017
 3. October 27, 2018
 4. January 19, 2019
 5. April 27, 2019
11. Director’s Report – Kelly Bailey
12. “For the Good of the Board. . .”
13. Adjournment

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:
 April 21, 2018
 1:00 p.m.
 Weisenfluh Conference Room**