

**Parents Association Meeting
July 16, 2016
Arboretum, East Campus**

MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 12:11pm - Linette Asay, President-elect

1. INTRODUCTION OF ATTENDEES (Linette Asay)

Members Present - Sushma Agrawal, Linette Asay, Susan Draftz, Debbie Meyer, Sue Simon

UNL Staff Present - Juan N. Franco, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, Lauren Gayer, UNL Student Affairs Director of Marketing and Communications, Jon Gayer, UNL Coordinator of Fraternity Life, Tonda Humphress, UNL Student Affairs Project Coordinator, Amy Williams, UNL Student Affairs Graduate Assistant

Guests Present - Glenn Humphress

2. UNL UPDATE (Dr. Franco)

- President Bounds has a 4 pillar strategic plan for the University system. The #1 pillar is students. He wants our universities to be the best in the world for students.
- There are 100-200 more freshmen enrolled for 2016-2017. To support the student population growth, the university is building more residence halls and doing renovations; renovations for the East Campus Union will start in 2017 and the new student health center will open without a student fee increase.
- Housing costs are kept down by renting space out during the summer to a thespian group.
- The old CBA building will still be in use after the new building opens. It will be used for "swing" space when renovations are being done in other buildings.
- The Pokémon event in Memorial Stadium was attended by approximately 3700 people.
- Five students are currently in Turkey during the attempted coup - all our students are safe.
- The Black Lives Matter rally that was run by students last November was civil and professional. The university is expecting a continuation of the conversation this coming school year.
- Theme for the year is to teach civil discourse, listen to opposing sides and open to discussion.
- The Chancellor's retreat at the end of July will be centered around planning for growth and student services.
- No new monies will be coming from the state.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Debbie Meyer)

Minutes from April 16, 2016 meeting - approved as written.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT (Mary Dankowski) - presented by Tonda Humphress

Report dated July 12, 2016 distributed and reviewed.

Assets:	\$ 2378.67	(General Fund = \$201.53 + Raffle \$2177.14)
<u>Liabilities:</u>	<u>\$ 3000.00</u>	
Net Worth	\$ (621.33)	

5. FAMILY WEEKEND 2016 (Linette Asay)

- Name has changed from Parent's Weekend.
- Volunteers are needed for the silent auction and for the weekend. Sushma is happy to spearhead the silent auction again. Please solicit donations. Items are needed by 9/20.
- Adding a 5k walk/run.
- Button for prizes and local discounts will be implemented.
- Fee to attend is the same as last year.

6. SLATE OF NEW OFFICERS (Linette Asay)

Lauren will include in the newsletter. Looking for Treasurer, President-Elect and Members-at-Large.

7. START OF SEMESTER ACTIVITIES:

Big Red Welcome on 8/21. Set up 3-5pm and festival from 6:30-8:30pm. Cost is \$45 for the booth.

Expect 10k students to attend. Debbie, Linette and her daughter and Troy and his family volunteered.

8. FALL MEETING - November 19, 2016. Nebraska vs. Maryland. Meeting to start 2.5 hours before kick-off.

Meeting adjourned at 12:58 pm.

Submitted by

Debbie Meyer, Secretary
UNL Parents Association