

UNL Parents Association Summer Meeting
June 26, 2010
11:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
9500 S 67th Street, Lincoln NE
(Robin & Michael Keralis' House)

1. Introduction of Attendees: Lori Alvarez, Kaylene Luedtke, Richard Luedtke, Henry Carnaby, Michael Keralis, Robin Keralis, Tim Draftz, Susan Draftz

UNL Attendees: Timothy A. Alvarez, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs (also a parent), Tonda Humphress, Student Affairs Project Coordinator, Glenn Humphress (guest), Erin McDermott, Coordinator, UNL Student Money Management, and John Parish, University Bookstore

2. University Update – Dr. Timothy Alvarez:

Knoll Residence Hall: The hall is full at 560 students. These are self contained rooms. The staff will be challenged to encourage student interaction.

- Future considerations of residence hall expansion: Consideration is now being directed to development of new residence halls. These considerations include development of a hall just east of the new Knoll Hall, and redevelopment of the Cather-Pound Hall area.
- Fall enrollment is 5-105 above last year at this time. The final figure will be available at August start of school. At this time there is a 95 increase in out of state students.
- Nebraska becoming a Big 10 School: This is more than an athletic department move. UNL will become part of the Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC). All Big 10 schools plus the University of Chicago are part of CIC. For half a century, these research institutions have advanced their academic missions, generated unique opportunities for students and faculty. Additionally, all of the big 10 schools are part of The Association of American Universities (AAU). Nebraska is also a part AAU. AAU is an association of public and private research universities that focuses on national and international issues that are important to these organizations.
- Upgrading of student recreation facilities are being done on both campuses.

3. Student Money Management Center (SMMC) – Erin McDermott, Program Coordinator The SMMC started in January 2010. It is a peer to peer organization of trained students who help fellow students in money management situations. The student mentors are trained and backed up by SMMC staff . Primary areas of education include credit and loan questions. Educational resources also include web sites with material directed to college students. Workshop events are also held including a financial quiz bowl in the Fall of 2010. The SMMC is financially supported by the University Pepsi Grant.

4. Textbook Rental Program – John Parish, University Bookstore

- John informed the group about a student T-shirt program that is being undertaken to support the 475-RIDE program. Five dollars from each sale is donated to the program. This program provides safe rides home for all UNL students. This is a student designed T-shirt by Amanda Hinrich of Kearney, who won a contest in the spring, chosen by student vote during the ASUN elections. The goal is to sell 3,000 shirts.

- Textbook rental program. John introduced a new program through the University Bookstore that is to start in the Fall of 2010. A rental text is approximately 50% the cost of a new text. The greatest benefit is up front cost savings to those involved. The program will start in the third week of July and can be accessed online through MYRED and the University Bookstore. John distributed information about these programs.

5. Approval of the minutes, April 17, 2010 meeting – No additions or corrections were made to the minutes from April 17, 2010.

Motion made and approved unanimously to accept April 17, 2010 minutes.

6. Treasurer's Report – Kaylene Luedtke, Treasurer

Year End Financial Report:

- Assets: \$20,861.11
- Liabilities(projected): \$3,041.04
- Net Worth: : \$17,819.65
- Current General Account Balance: \$ 16,979.18
- Raffle Account: \$3,881.93 (\$11,000.00 transferred from Raffle to General Acct.)

Motion made and seconded to accept report without change: Approved unanimously.

7. Appreciation of Support – Timothy and Susan Draftz: Tim and Susan expressed appreciation to the active members of the Parents Association (PA) for all of the hard work directed to the Association.

8. Parents Weekend 2010, October 1-3 – Timothy Alvarez: Brochure for the parents weekend was discussed. Tentative schedule of events was presented to the group with preliminary time frame for events. We will be on East Campus for the Saturday morning gathering and move to City Campus for afternoon events. John Parish offered use of part of the University Bookstore for housing a portion of the events, including the silent auction on Saturday afternoon. Also catering was discussed. The University Union City Campus will have a new caterer. Unsure at this time of what food costs will be, but the goal will be to keep everything covered by fees for the event. Schedule was discussed along with give away items for the parents. Suggestions including shirts, mugs, hot and cold beverage containers were discussed. Tonda and John Parish will look at costs of these items and come up with a plan.

9. Auction Fundraiser – Kaylene Luedtke: We will be having the silent auction again at parents weekend. Everyone is encouraged to continue to look for donations and put together baskets. Kaylene will be in contact with people via E-mail for this.

10. New Student Enrollment (NSE) – Tonda Humphress, Student Affairs Project Coordinator: Several cards were turned in for information/interest in the PA from NSE. Tonda will follow up on these.

11. Tuition Raffle Mailing – Tonda Humphress: Mailing will be sent out around August 30, 2010 for the tuition raffle. We also have an autographed football for the raffle. More raffle items will be gathered for the event. Again, this is a fund raiser and families are encouraged to give a donation for the raffle as has been stressed in the past.

12. Slate of New Officers – Timothy and Susan Draftz: Office holders can be nominated for the next year. Those who have agreed to run at this time include:

- Co-Presidents: Timothy and Susan Draftz
- President elect:
- Secretary: Michael Keralis
- Treasurer:

13. Fall Meeting Date: October 30 (Missouri Football Game is at home, Time TBA) Next meeting will be before the football game, at the Nebraska Union, City Campus. The meeting time will be 2-3 hours before kick-off. The PA will try to get tickets for purchase by active members. Tickets need to be paid for in full. We will try to get 10 pairs of tickets and raffle off any extra tickets. Contact Tonda via E-mail if you desire a ticket.

14. Reminders: – Timothy and Susan Draftz:

- Residence Hall Welcome, August 19 and 20: The PA is again asked to help with the Residence Hall Welcome this year. Move in dates are August 19-20. We are asked to help between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. We are being asked to help in answering parents questions during the move in time and assist in parking directions as needed by the residence hall personnel. Tonda will make name tags to be worn. Helpers are asked to wear their PA shirts to help with identification. We will have academic calendars and invitation cards available to hand out.
- Big Red Welcome, August 22 (Sunday): The Big Red Welcome will be held August 22, 2010 from 6-8 p.m. Volunteers are needed to hand out Big Red Gum, academic calendars and information about the Parents Weekend (October 1-3). If interested contact Tonda.

Meeting Adjourned at 15:01

Respectfully submitted,

Michael B. Keralis MD