

UNL Parents Association
February 2, 2007
Meeting Minutes

Members present: Jody Jacobi; Steve and Barb Ferris; Kaylene and Dick Luedtke; Marla Thompson; Rosemary Eastwood and Joy Citta; Juan N. Franco (UNL) and Tonda Humphress (UNL)

Meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Co-President Elect: Joy Citta.

Introductions were made of those attending.

Steve and Barb Ferris were presented a gavel and certificate for their year of service as President of the UNL Parent's Association.

Minutes:

Minutes were read and approved by Barb Ferris and seconded by Jody Jacobi.

Treasurers Report:

Total Asset:	\$17,685.32
Total Liabilities:	<u>\$6,804.37</u>
Net Worth:	\$10,880.95

The Treasurer's Report was read and approved by Jody Jacobi and seconded by Marla Thompson.

Old Business:

Faculty Recognition Award Ceremony was great!!! Some suggestions for next year were:

Make list for Deans to read from
More space for the nametag table

The Newsletter for the spring will be out soon. The latest one is posted on the web site.

New Business:

Big Red Road Show will be held on the following dates and times:

March 4th – Omaha, NE (Qwest Center) from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
March 31st – South Sioux City (Marina Inn & Conference Center) from
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Residence Hall Welcome will be August 23rd and 24th

Discussion is in process on what and how to do Residence Hall Welcome. Tonda Humphress and Dr. Franco are discussing this issue with Residence Hall personnel. Any input from the parents would be greatly appreciated.

Parent's Association is also in need of volunteers to help with this event.

Parents Weekend will be held the weekend of October 5th to 7th.

There was discussion concerning the tours of the campus during Parent's Weekend. It is recommended that these be led by students who were familiar with the campus and had been on campus for at least a year.

Cost of Parent's Weekend was raised to \$75.00 per person for the weekend. It was moved by Kaylene Luedtke and seconded Marla Thompson. Motion Carried.

Parent Association Conference

Jody Jacobi moved and Rosemary Eastwood seconded that \$1500 be designated for conference expenses. Motion carried.

Raffle

Marla Thompson moved and Steve Ferris seconded that the raffle be changed from one full year tuition to two half-year tuitions and to move Spring In-state tuition up to \$2,500. Motion carried

Dr. Franco Discussion:

Enrollment is up!! Increase in fall enrollment and up 500 students for the spring.

Challenges:

Housing (200 more students next year) Renovating Fairfield Hall, Able and Sandoz

Campus Recreation – needs expanded – students will be surveyed this spring. If students approve, then will probably be covered in fees.

Culture Center – students approved last year and we are now in the process of selecting an architect.

Panhandler's Issue: They are coming on campus and students are giving them money, thinking they are helping the homeless. They are trying to educate the students on campus about the true homeless vs. the panhandler. Do what is right but safely!!

Working on binge drinking. Working with students who are under 21.

Working with the Greek System on "Fire safety."

Hope to add sprinkler systems in the Greek houses via grants with the city fire dept. and federal government

Did a mock disaster event with a fraternity.

Web Page changing.

Submitted by Marla Thompson.