

UNL PARENTS ASSOCIATION
Spring Meeting
April 18, 2009
Nebraska Union, City Campus

Members Present: Joy Citta, Susan Draftz, Tim Draftz, Rosemary Eastwood, Kaylene Luedtke, Richard Luedtke, Michael Kealis, Robin Keralis, JoDell Payne, Darin McGhee, Kathy McGhee, Henry Carnaby

UNL Staff Present: Juan N. Franco (Student Affairs), Tonda Humphress (Student Affairs)

1. Meeting called to order at 09:40 a.m.

Welcome given : Joy Citta/Rosemary Eastwood, President

2. UNL Update- Juan Franco: Thanks were extended for being at the meeting.

- Semester ending night and weekend activities are scheduled and students are encouraged to participate. Planning for the 2009-2010 school year is under way. Students were elected for ASUN Student government positions:
 - Megan Collins - President
 - Brian Cobern - Internal Vice President
 - Amanda Cook - External Vice President
- Home Coming is scheduled for September 25, which is earlier than usual.
- Financial Literacy Program is being planned for the coming school year. This addresses use of credit cards, balancing accounts, etc. The Chancellor gave \$50,000 designated by the Pepsi contract for programs directed to students which is helping finance this program. Students can get 1 hour of credit for this course. Two sections will be offered.
- UNL is working intently on developing programs to help students cut down on alcohol usage, especially binge drinking. There is a web based program, alcohol.edu, which the University is encouraging students to use. This is a 2 ½ hour program. Students are asked to take the program if they have any problems related to the use of alcohol. The University would like all students to take the program. A comparison between alcohol.edu and UNL programs will be done.
- New student enrollment dates have been set.
- New buildings including the Jackie Gaughan Multicultural Center, a residence hall at 17th and R Streets, and Abel - Sandoz dorm complex which includes dining hall renovations are progressing.

2. Approval of Minutes.-Joy Citta/Rosemary Eastwood: Minutes from January 30, 2009 Winter meeting were considered.

Motion made and seconded to accept minutes without change: Approved unanimously

3. Financial Report – Kaylene Luedtke, Treasurer

Assets: \$21276.61

Liabilities \$9092.18 (projected)

Net worth \$12184.43

Raffle Account balance: \$15615.34 as of 4/18/2009 with service charges refunded from Wells Fargo Bank

General Account: \$5661.27 as of 4/18/2009

General discussion and explanation of financial out come of 2008.

Motion made to accept report and seconded: Passed unanimously as written.

4. Parents Association Grant Funded Projects - Kaylene Luedtke reviewed granted projects from grant meeting on January 30, 2009:
 - Black History Month (OASIS): up to \$750.00 approved.
 - Stress Relief Games (OASIS): \$362 used
 - Campus Night Life (Student Involvement): up to \$700.00 approved.
 - Joint Graduation Celebration for Intercultural Students (OASIS): up to \$600.00 approved.
 - Currently finishing up Student Health Center grant from 2008

5. Parents Association Grant Funded Projects Application Process – Tonda Humphress
Future grants will have a maximum of \$1000.00 per request. On line forms are being developed and should be ready before our Summer meeting.

6. Bylaws Update – Tonda Humphress
 - Suggestion was made to change September or October meeting date to indicate the meeting will be a Fall Meeting.
 - It was also suggested to change to electronic notification of meeting instead of written notification via mail. (This suggestion was made to decrease postage costs.)
 - It was also suggested to review the process of changing bylaws.These will be discussed at the Summer Meeting.

7. Outstanding Student Leadership Award – Joy Citta
 - Joy is on the selection committee for this. A male and female recipient will be announced at the April 24th dinner.

8. Parents Weekend, October 2-4 – Joy Citta/Rosemary Eastwood
 - All are encouraged to participate in this event.
 - We are encouraged to solicit increased community involvement to increase donations.
 - Kaylene Luedtke coordinated baskets last year and noted anything involving the Huskers were well received.
 - Send any ideas to Tonda Humphress.

9. Big Red Road Show Update. The Big Red Road Show was held in Omaha at the Qwest Center on February 8. This is an informational extravaganza for high school students in the Omaha metropolitan area who are interested in UNL. This year we again had great parents participation. 3481 students and parents were in attendance. A thank you note was sent to the Parents Association from Alan Cerveny. Staffing to run the booth involves 3 hours of time. In 2010 a special Big Red Show will be held in Sioux Falls, SD. A suggestion was made to possibly use student volunteers for this event to increase student involvement.

10. Upcoming events:
 - Summer Meeting: July 11th at Joy Citta's home at 74th and VanDorn in Lincoln, NE. Association members are to bring side dishes. Joy will provide meat and dessert.
 - Nebraska Student Enrollment will begin June 8, 2009. We will set up a Parents Association booth and distribute calendar cards with information about Parents Association. Members are encouraged to help at the booth from 4-5 p.m.
 - Residence Hall Welcome will be August 20 (Thursday) and 21 (Friday). Usually help is needed from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Parents Association members are encouraged to participate and help in giving information, directions and general aid. The new residence hall will take away some of the parking spaces previously available. Therefore, we may be needed to help direct traffic, etc. Association members who wish to help with this event may

contact Tonda Humphress. Parking permits can also be arranged through Tonda. People are encouraged to work a 2-3 hour shift, at least.

Motion made to adjourn meeting and seconded

Meeting adjourned: 10:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael B. Keralis MD