



**IHS Alumni Association
Minutes
Monday, November 11, 2019**

Meeting Called to Order: The meeting began at 7:04pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

November School Levy: Mike Pennington, Director of Technology, reported that the school levy failed by a 55%-45% margin (193 votes). The school and city organizations will meet to discuss future plans. Various alumni suggested improvements for future communications.

Principal's Report: Mike Pennington provided the Principal's Report. He proudly reported the successes of our sports teams with several champions, qualifiers, runner-ups and MVPs in golf, soccer, volleyball and cross country. Mike also cited several students having been recognized with National Merit Honors.

Introduction of Board Members: President Dale Veverka (70) introduced board members: President - Dale Veverka, Vice President - Chris Zamborsky (78), Corresponding Secretary – Elaine (Wisnieski 57) Kukawka, Recording Secretary – Sue Sledz (70), and Treasurer – Bob Wagner (66). Don Krolikowski (77) is Webmaster. Wendy (Schmidt 68) Manfredi is Communication Director. Rhonee (Trakas 75) Iula handles New Membership. Amber (Veverka 07) Axner authors the Alumni Spectator newsletter. Pat (Czarniak 60) Stephan oversees Hospitality.

Minutes of June and September Quarterly Alumni Meetings: Elaine Wisnieski Kukawka motioned to approve the June meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Amber Veverka Axner. Motion passed unanimously. Elaine Wisnieski Kukawka motioned to approve the September meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Don Krolikowski. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Bob Wagner reviewed his November 11 report.

- Total Quarterly Expenses = \$4.00.
- Total Quarterly Income = \$351.04
- Account Balance as of November 11, 2019 = \$12,421.12.

Rhonee Trakas Iula mentioned that she heard the Independence Athletic Hall of Fame may be looking towards the Alumni Association for a stewardship role. Rhonee will discuss with Bob Wagner.

Home Days Brunch: Chris Zamborsky confirmed that the pavilion has been reserved. The Class of 1975 has offered to cook again. Dale Veverka will send a thank you to the Class of 1975.

Home Days Booth: Don Krolikowski reported that he will need help around noon on Friday, August 7th to set up the booth. Volunteer shifts will be set up again.

Class Reunions: The Class of 1970 is holding their 50 year reunion August 7-9, 2020. They will invite classmates to the Alumni Breakfast as part of the weekend activities, and will coordinate reservations and payments.

Yearbook Ad: No action at this time.

Website: No action at this time.

Alumni Award Winners: Rhonee Trakas Iula stated that the organization finances are in good order and suggested increasing the levels of financial awards (i.e., change two \$500 awards to two \$1000 awards). Dale Veverka will discuss the upcoming school gift with Principal McGuinness. The award increase will be discussed and voted upon at the March meeting.

Alumni Spectator: Amber Veverka Axner extended the submission deadline to Sunday, November 17.

New Membership: No report

Correspondence: Elaine Wisnieski Kukawka reported that she turned over all yearbooks to Bob Wagner. She also received several memorabilia pieces from Mary Helen Merkle Weimer (57).

Fundraisers: No new suggestions

Calendar of Events:

- General Meeting – March 9, 2020 at 11.30 am
- IHS Award Selection – April/May
- General Meeting – June 8, 2020
- Home Days Booth – August 7-8, 2020
- Breakfast in the Park – August 9, 2020

Adjournment: Elaine Wisnieski Kukawka motioned to adjourn. Pat Czarniak Stephan seconded the motion. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Sledz
Recording Secretary