

IHS Alumni Meeting
Monday September 11, 2023

Meeting: Dale Veverka , President - Class of 1970 called the meeting to order with The Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 20 Alumni present at the meeting (See attached sign in sheet) Dale introduced 2 new attendees - Arlene White (Class of 70) and John DiGeronimo (Class of 2005)

Ben Hegedish , Independence School Superintendent, was present and spoke with the Alumni. He reviewed the new and exciting curriculum offerings to students. Ben also passes out I-Pride Cards to the Alumni... These allow access to school events. Ben also spoke about the Levies that would be on the November Ballot. He reviewed Issue 9 which is a complete renewal and he spoke about Issue 10 . He answered questions from the group. Ben spoke about a future Town Hall Meeting to get the word out. There is a New principal at the High School. He is Mike Janatovich.

Vickie Rich (70), recording secretary, read the minutes from the June meetings. There were (2) corrections

that had to be made. Amended minutes are available for review.

Wayne Benos (70) Read a THANK YOU note from Joan Ganim. 2023 - Diploma of Distinction Award recipient.

Bob Wagner was not able to attend. Kelly Hatfield (78) reported on the basket revenue from Home Days. A BIG THANK YOU to Kelly. She works tirelessly throughout the year getting donations and putting together the baskets for HomeDays. Don Krolikowski (77) thanked all volunteers that helped with the set up and manning of the Alumni Tent during Homedays. The Alumni Breakfast was a big success. Thanks to all who helped set up and tear down the Pavillion and a very special Thank You to Tony DiGeronimo (75) for donating the waffle ingredients and his TIME on Sunday Morning cooking and serving BREAKFAST.

Baskets were also raffled at breakfast along with a 50/50 raffle. The winner of the 50/50 raffle was Harold Todt. He won \$120.00

Thank you to Amber for setting up the Alumni Tent at the Homecoming tailgate party that was held on September 8th. Thanks to Amber, Peggy and Kelly.

New Business: The member discussed future business for the upcoming meeting in November. Dale asked that we think about (2) significant Awards that the Association presents each year. 1. Nominees for the Diploma of Distinction 2. Educator of Excellence. Nominations may be presented to the board.

Amber (07) asked for any articles or interesting facts to be sent to her for the Newsletter. Pictures are welcome.

Adjournment: Dale motioned at 8:15pm to adjourn the meeting and Dave Stefanski (80) second the motion.

Light refreshments were served.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Vickie (Wiecek) Rich (70)
Recording Secretary