



**IHS Alumni Association**  
**Minutes**  
**Monday, June 12, 2017**



**Meeting Called to Order:** After the presentation of the Diploma of Distinction to Mayor **Anthony Togliatti (95)** in recognition of his efforts memorializing the old middle/high school on Brecksville Road before its demolition, the quarterly alumni meeting commenced at 7:25 pm with 22 alumni present.

**Alumni Breakfast in the Park:** Concerning the Alumni Breakfast in the Park on Sunday following Home Days, **Pat (Czarniak 60) Stephan** will be selling tickets for the event, catered by Pazzo's. Breakfast begins at 9:00 am for a cost of \$10. The caterer will supply hot food and the Alumni Association will supply pastry and juice. **Kelly Hatfield (78)** is in charge of the Chinese Raffle where ten baskets and one mystery prize will be raffled off. Kelly is seeking donations in the form of lottery tickets, gift cards and other items for the baskets so if alums have anything to contribute tonight, do so now. Everyone who purchases tickets is eligible to win, even if they are not present. There will be a separate raffle for those in attendance at the breakfast. Kelly is having certificates of authenticity printed for the bricks being sold to memorialize the old middle/high school recently demolished. Bricks will be cleaned up by the City and Kelly will box them and include the certificates. Bricks will be sold at Home Days, the September 8 Alumni football game and Fall Fest. **Bob Wagner (66)** asked Kelly to find out the cost of mailing bricks. **Rhonee (Trakas 75) Iula** said anyone attending tonight's meeting can purchase bricks in advance for \$10. After tonight, they will be sold at a cost of \$15 each. She also asked members to sign up tonight to work the alumni booth. **Don Krolkowski (77)** volunteered to set up and take down the tables and chairs in our alumni tent. **Wendy (Schmidt 68) Manfredi** suggested that anyone showing up for the Breakfast in the Park without a ticket should not be turned away, but allowed to indulge in coffee and pastry for a small fee. Discussion ensued. Bob Wagner also mentioned he has seven Home Days raffle ticket books left if anyone needs some tonight.

**Principal's Report:** **Annie McGhee**, Athletic Director of IHS, gave the report on behalf of Principal, **Bill McGuinness**. She thanked the Association for providing legacy ribbons for the Class of 2017. Twenty graduates will be attending Ohio colleges and eight out-of-state colleges. One is attending the Naval Academy. One hundred percent of the students graduated. Seven of the graduates will be participating in college sports. There were several retirements in the district: enrichment reading teacher Dr. Richard Fierer; speech and language therapist Frances Banks; and secretary Patricia Carsel. The Athletic Boosters will sponsor the "Indy Color Me Fun Run" on Saturday, June 17 as well as a golf fundraiser on July 9.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer **Bob Wagner (66)** distributed the Treasurer's Report to everyone. Our June balance is typically our lowest dollar amount of the year. However, in August, after Home Days, we typically reach our highest annual balance. We started 2017 with \$8,121.94. We deposited \$562.90 and we wrote nine checks for \$1,494.84 leaving a balance of \$7,190.00. **Year to date income (\$562.09) includes:** Donations – \$36.09, \$100.00 and \$40.00 equals a total of \$176.09, Membership- seven 5-year = \$280 and four 1-year = \$40.00 equals a total of \$320.00, and Educator of Excellence lunch donations = \$66.00. **Year to date expenses with nine checks written (\$1,494.84) include:** Educator of Excellence - \$188.84 (of which \$66.00 was reimbursed with donations), Graduating Senior Awards – 2 at \$500.00 each for a total of \$1,000.00, Adding Senior awardees to the plaque - \$6.00, Deposit to Pazzos for brunch - \$100.00 (will be paid for by ticket sales), Yearbook Advertisement - \$150.00, Purchase Home Day Raffle Tickets - \$50.00 (will result in \$50.00 profit). Generally, we are able to meet our annual bills with annual income without drawing on the \$6,200 we have in savings.

**Minutes:** **Bonnie (Jorasch 69) Pandin** indicated the March 13 Minutes are on the back table and please take a copy and review. **Elaine (Wisnieski 57) Kukawka** made a motion to accept the Minutes. **Dale Veverka (70)** seconded the motion. Minutes accepted unanimously.

**Alumni Spectator:** **Amber (Veverka 07) Axner** stated the spring 2017 issue will be printed the end of this week. The fall issue deadline for article submission is the second Sunday of November. Amber added that she got married on April 1<sup>st</sup> to Jeffery Axner.

**Public Relations:** Rhonee Iula thanked Webmaster **Don Krolkowski (77)** for updating our website and **Wendy (Schmidt 68) Manfredi**, Communications Director, for her efforts as well.

**Membership/Correspondence:** Elaine reported that our paid membership is 157. A paid members list is located at the sign in table. The right hand column shows whether your dues have expired. If the list shows 2017, it means dues will expire next June 2018. Elaine is still looking for someone to take over responsibility for the Alumni Showcase at the high school. There was no incoming or outgoing correspondence this quarter. **Lucy (Sobieraj 75) Champa** was recognized as a new member of the Association.

**Old Business:** **Rhonee (Trakas 75) Iula** stated that at our March quarterly meeting **Joe O'Brien** was honored as an Educator of Excellence. There were 60 people in attendance. Thank you to **Dale Veverka, Pat Stephan, Wendy Manfredi** and **Don Krolkowski** and everyone who helped with this memorable event. Joe's family sent many emails praising this memorable occasion.

**New Business:** **Dale Veverka** and **Bonnie Pandin** will attend the Senior Awards event and present our alumni awards to **Ryan Wancata** and **Marielle Bender**. Five members volunteered to read essays and select two winners. At the awards event, Dale will mention the Association's contribution to Rachel's Challenge and the fact that 89 seniors will be receiving a free membership to our Association which includes the Alumni Spectator for one year. At Sunday's commencement, Dale and Bonnie, in cap and gown and holding a candle, will escort the 2017 graduates out of the auditorium.

The slate of officers for 2018 are: **Rhonee (Trakas 75) Iula**, President; **Kelly Hatfield (78)**, Vice President; **Bob Wagner (66)**, Treasurer; **Elaine (Wisnieski 57) Kukawka**, Corresponding Secretary, and **Bonnie (Jorasch 69) Pandin**, Recording Secretary. **John Galik (54)** made a motion to accept the slate, **Elaine Kukawka** seconded the motion. The slate was voted in unanimously. Additionally, **Bruce Riha (61)** will assume the position of Membership Chair; **Wendy (Schmidt 68) Manfredi**, Communications Director; **Amber (Veverka 07) Axner**, Alumni Spectator Editor; **Peggy Korecko (88)**, Facebook and **Don Krolkowski (77)**, Webmaster.

Rhonee Iula indicated that reunions are being held this year for the classes of 67, 72, 77, 75 and 07.

Elaine Kukawka made a motion to adjourn. Bob Wagner and several people seconded the motion that unanimously passed. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**Bonnie Jorasch Pandin**  
**Recording Secretary**