



# QUEEN ANNE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

Via Zoom

February 15, 2023 at 7:00pm

**Board Members Present:** Sally Villaluz Ghormley, Shirley (Niebuhr) Kankelfritz, Jackie (Moore) Zobrist, Claudia (Kettles) Lovgren, Maggie (Nichols) Birch, Beth “Wassenberg” Guislin, Kathy Gaylord, Mike Warren, Jeanne (Hayes) Warren, Janis Bridges Jenkins, and Mary Cooke

**Board Members Absent:** Sherry Moody, Steve Haynes, Roger Jensen, and Kim Turner.

**Association Membership & Alumni:** LD Zobrist

**Open Forum:** Off the record.

President, Sally Villaluz Ghormley called the meeting to order at 7:04 P. M.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Mike Warren and seconded by Maggie (Nichols) Birch, to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2023 Board meeting. All present members approved.

**Treasurer’s Report:** QAHSAA February 2023 Treasury Report - Submitted by L D Zobrist

This month we are looking at the comparison between our annual cash flow last year to 2021. The attached two reports are separated General Operating Fund (GOF) and Scholarship Fund (SF.) Looking at the GOF report, one can see revenues are up in almost all categories. Restarting our all-class events has contributed to increased Function Inflows fund and increased sale of Logo Merchandise. Our donations have likewise increased. On the expense side, you can see that inflation has raised what we have to spend. Some expenses have increased because of Events and Logo sale success this past year. But you can see that expenses are up for the KUAY and all other expense items. We are expecting these increases to continue for 2023.

Looking at the SF report, we were blessed with a very large donation this past year and a reduced number of scholarships given resulting in a strong positive cash flow to help us in future years. Our overall scholarship fund balance was affected negatively this past year because of reduced value in 2022 of both stocks and bonds after a very good 2021. We do expect an asset value rebound in 2023.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** It is recommended that Beth “Wassenberg” Guislin be considered for the Treasurer’s office at our next election of officers. This will take place at the first Board meeting after the Annual Meeting (tucked into the Spring Luncheon on April 29).

## **Committee Reports**

**Committees:** President Sally Villaluz Ghormley requests that every board member be on at least 2 committees. Please note that the KUAY committee is really in need of assistance and that work can be completed remotely using “track changes” in WORD and other electronic tools.

LD has recently sent out an updated contact and committee list, please let him know of any committee additions and other updates. He will be maintaining the list moving forward.

**Finance:** The 2023 Budget passed by the board last November was broken out into quarters for easier tracking throughout the year. The committee went over the draft of the 2022 Federal Tax Return. The IRS no longer accepts paper copies of these types of returns! LD called to find out how to file electronically and was told that the software was not ready yet, unless he wanted to be part of the Beta test – and so we took another giant “QA Grizzly” step into the future and filed electronically on 2/14/2023 and officially accepted by the IRS on 2/15/2023, part of a successful Beta test.

**KUAY:** Claudia (Kettles) Lovgren has had her last meeting with our Graphic Designer, Roxi Ko after Gail Hobson Martini-Peterson '62, did a complete proofreading of the proposed KUAY. Thanks, Gail! Roxi is now doing her final edit and Claudia managed to get her Christmas decorations put away 2 weeks ago.

LD suggested that Claudia call the printer now and tell them that the KUAY is almost ready so that we get a print date set. Claudia will do so tomorrow (2/16/2023).

It is confirmed that we need 8900 copies printed. Maggie asked how many John would get for the storage locker, 4 or 5 answered Jackie.

Once Claudia has a date, she will let LD know so that he can take the completed mailing list to the mailing place.

Claudia said, "thanks Mary for holding my hand through this process."

Sally reminded everyone that moving forward the KUAY work can be done remotely with Track changes, etc. so that more people can be involved in keeping the KUAY going. LD and Jackie reminded us all that the KUAY is a major contributor to increased contributions from our Alumni. It is something that so many people look forward to receiving, let's keep it alive and healthy for a long time coming!

**Events:** Excerpt from the Treasurer's Report:

"Events Report Comments:

**Spring Luncheon:** Per Shirley (Niebuhr) Kankelfritz - LD worked with the Yacht Club and secured for the Spring Luncheon the date of April 29 - 11am to 2pm, and the online reservation system is up and running. It's our annual meeting, so someone need to pick up John's tasks of preparing program and ballots. The Nomination Committee will need to have their candidates lined up for any open positions."

LD will send out an all-alumni email reminder and there will be an article and a coupon for the luncheon in the upcoming KUAY.

We will assign tasks for the Luncheon – Registration Desk, Merchandise, etc. at our next board meeting.

**Excerpt from the Treasurer's Report:**

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**Homecoming Dance:**

The Husky schedule is now out and the weekends without home games are:

**09/16 Away \* 09/30 Away \* 10/07 Bye \* 10/28 Away \* 11/04 Away \* 11/18 Away**

The 10/7 date has the advantage of having no Husky game here or away, and it is still light enough outside for alums to coming while still light out."

During the board meeting discussion it was decided that Jeanne (Hayes) Warren will reserve the Ballard Elks Lodge for Saturday, 10/7/2023, even though the price of the space doubled from \$700 in 2019 to \$1,400 in 2022. With the dance scheduled earlier in the year, it should be light enough out for more people to feel comfortable driving and it will help that there is not a Husky game that day so we should have increased attendance from 2022. We still have time to look for another less expensive option before the event.

Shirley also suggested that we consider a price hike for the dance due to our increased costs.

**Excerpt from the Treasurer's Report:**

"Events Report Comments:

**Picnic:** This is the period where we submit our request for park space for our annual picnic. We are suggesting these five dates for Magnolia Park in order of priority. Please note that the weekend of August 19-20 is not on the list, as both Jackie & I are fully committed to the QA63 60th reunion. We can add back those dates if someone will step forward to do what we do for the picnic.

**Sunday, 8/27 \* Sunday, 8/13 \* Saturday, 8/26 \* Saturday, 8/12 \* Sunday, 8/6"**

LD reminded us that these dates would be for the city lottery for who gets what location when, they notify everyone in mid-March. In the meeting it was decided to only submit four choices for the lottery because Sunday, Aug, 6 is during Seafair Hydroplane weekend, they are, in this order:

**1. Sunday, 8/27 – Magnolia Park \* 2. Sunday, 8/13 – Magnolia Park \* 3. Saturday, 8/26 – Magnolia Park \* 4. Saturday, 8/12 – Magnolia Park**

We are hoping that the renovations, including new bathrooms, at Gasworks Park will be completed in time for our 2024 Picnic.

**Historical:** Maggie let us know that we need to get the QA History filing cabinet out of John's house. Maggie asked Mary if she still has room at her house for the filing cabinet. Mary said, yes, with some advanced warning so I can make space for it in the sun room. Per Maggie there are some more duplicates of things at the storage locker that can be let go of, although she and John spent 2 days sorting and getting rid of things. She has a list of all the annuals that are available for sale, excluding the 2 full sets that John curated. Mary, Jackie, and Sally all have a good idea of what things are where in the locker.

**Scholarships:** Kerry has reported that he has some partial applications so far. The final deadline for Scholarship applications is 3/31/2023. It was decided that LD would send out an all-alumni email reminding everyone about the Scholarships and who can apply.

**LOGO:**

**Excerpt from the Treasurer's Report:**

"We will need volunteers for the Spring Luncheon to transport the kits & to staff the sales table."

These assignments will be done at the next board meeting. Logo sales are quiet now, but there were so many Holiday orders that, while all order were filled, some sizes are now out of stock. We will probably wait so that we can place a bulk order when the time comes.

**Membership:**

**Excerpt from the Treasurer's Report:**

"We have sent emails to the 1,500+ alumni with a listing on our Class Online Directory asking them to review their listing and make any changes. We had well over 100 replies with updates, and we have updated and posted the changes to our website."

We are almost ready with the mailing list for the current KUAY. We are still getting updates every day. We will have a lot of updates after the KUAY is sent out.

**Social Media:** Nothing new at the moment. Sally will create an invite on FB for the Spring Luncheon. Then Mary will promote on FB. Beth asked if anyone else noticed a lot less traffic on FB these days. She is always looking for alumni obituary posts, etc. and has noticed that less and less are being posted on FB. Is anyone using a different platform? A couple of us on Instagram, but nothing else at this time.

**Website:** Our website is now secured, and we just renewed that license. Currently Reunions are updated, Board members and minutes are updated, but there is currently not a "news" section about grads. Ideally someone could add articles. Sally asked LD if he would like for her to ask Joe Villarino, class of '79 if he could contribute in this way. LD agreed.

**Correspondence:** None

**Other Business:** None

**The next meeting will be on Mar. 22, 2023 via Zoom.**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm

Respectfully Submitted by, Mary Cooke, Recording Secretary