



QUEEN ANNE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

Via Zoom

October 18, 2023 at 7:00pm

Board Members Present: Shirley (Niebuhr) Kankelfritz, Jackie (Moore) Zobrist, Claudia (Kettles) Lovgren, Jeanne (Hayes) Warren, Maggie (Nichols) Birch, Beth (Wassenberg) Guislin, Janis Bridges Jenkins, Roger Jensen, Kim Turner, Steve Haynes, Michael Warren, and Mary Cooke

Board Members Absent: None!

Association Membership & Alumni: LD Zobrist and Kerry McMahan

Open Forum: Off the record.

Co-President, Janis Bridges Jenkins called the meeting to order at 7:06 P. M.

Minutes: A motion was made by Kim Turner and seconded by Jeanne (Hayes) Warren, to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2023 Board meeting. All present members approved.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Treasurer's Report:

This month we examine Budget Results Year to Date to end of third quarter. Included here is the financial report showing our actual results compared to our budget split between unrestricted and restricted. These are the points worth discussing.

Unrestricted:

- 1) Function Inflow and Outflow are reduced from budget due to cancellation of dance.
- 2) Logo Sales and Logo Purchases are inflated by a special order of almost \$4,400 for the Class of '72 golf event. Subtracting that out, Logo Sales are above budget and Logo Purchases are below budget.
- 3) Bank Charges are over budget because of increased use of bank cards for logo and events purchases
- 4) Graphic Design expenses are higher due to increased support for KUAY prep.
- 5) Postage & Delivery expenses are up by about \$2,300 due to two rate increases for mailing the KUAY by USPS.
- 6) Pacific Publication has begun doing our mailing as well as our printing and this has reduced our cost. We are running almost \$4,800 under budget, offsetting our increased postal costs for the KUAY.

Restricted:

- 1) Our restricted (scholarship) donations are almost 50% higher than our budget, good news.
- 2) Interest and dividend income on our investments are both well above budget.
- 3) Note that the Board increased the Scholarship budget from \$20,000 to \$29,000 and this means we have withdrawn the difference from our well-funded Scholarship Endowment fund to cover the difference.

In summary, our actual results are significantly better than our revised budget proposed. The organization is in very good financial condition.

Steve has been getting briefed on the Treasurer duties and observing my use of Quicken, our financial system. He is not yet ready to commit to becoming the Treasurer, therefore the position remains open and Kathy Gaylord, now resigned, remains a signer on our financial accounts until a new Treasurer is appointed.

Next month we will present the proposed Budget for 2024 to the Board for a vote.

Committee Reports

Finance: Not discussed.

Events: The Events Committee voted to cancel the Fall Dance. This resulted in forfeiting the \$100 deposit to the DJ and refunding all of the advance registrations paid by bank card and deposited check and returning undeposited checks. L D & Jackie have completed this work. Some registrants choose to donate their fee rather than have a refund resulting in \$145.00 of donations. It was confirmed that no deposit was paid to the Ballard Elks Lodge.

Chairperson Shirley (Niebuhr) Kankelfritz noted that we need to decide what Fall Event might better serve the Alumni since many of them do not drive at night. Bingo has enjoyed a resurgence of interest lately, maybe we could consider an afternoon social with some dancing, as well as games.

The Class of '73 had their reunion at the Queen City Yacht Club and it was a beautiful location, with parking that costs approximately ½ the price of the Ballard Elks Lodge. Should we consider them for our next Fall event? Shirley will check with the Class of '73 regarding the catering/bar info.

Maggie (Nichols) Birch suggested the Puget Sound Club as a possible location, however several people said that parking is a problem at that location.

Roger Jensen asked if we might consider a Christmas Lunch with an appearance by Santa. There were several hearty endorsements of that possibility.

Scholarships: We have one scholarship check still outstanding belonging to Max Boyd.

Thank you note have been received from Parker Hanson who received the Queen Anne High School Alumni Scholarship donated by John Gundersen, '71.

Kerry McMahan was asking about additional members for the committee. Steve Haynes volunteered to assist remotely and Roger Jensen said that he can help. Maggie Birch and Mary Cooke both confirmed that they are still on the committee.

Historical: The Queen Anne Station of the Seattle Fire Department, Station 8, is designing a new logo and wants to incorporate the QAHS Grizzly bear so LD and Maggie have coordinated to get them various bear options.

KUAY: A few items coming in, preparation for the next issue will begin in early December.

Membership: Work is continuing to locate missing alumni and to remove alumni from the classes of the 1930's by locating obituaries for these likely deceased alumni, Beth has found 87 so far. She is doing almost all of this work. She has recently located addresses for almost 90 missing from the class of '65 to assist them with their reunion planning. Beth reports that her work for the classes of '64 and '65 is complete.

Social Media: A chat group that was started for the 2019 Homecoming Dance has increasingly become the place to loudly complain about the board and what we should be doing, including having all of our annual events during one week in the summer so people can fly in and attend them all. The conversation there was becoming more and more adversarial so Mary Cooke shut the group down after receiving pleas from several members to please take them out of the group chat.

LOGO: All items need for the Class of '72 special event arrived in time and we are fully stocked for Holiday sales.

Website: No Report.

Correspondence: A very nice note was received from Eddy Sims, Class of '77 who went to the Dance and found no one there. He generously donated \$100.00 to the Scholarship fund and \$50.00 to the unrestricted fund.

Other Business: None

The next meeting will be on November 15, 2023 via Zoom at 7pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46pm.

Respectfully Submitted by, Mary Cooke, Recording Secretary