

Waggener Alumni Association Board Meeting January 8, 2024 Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Lori Brown at 6:03 pm. Members in attendance were Brown, Heckel, Lage, Marquette, Oyler, Riley (phone), Wells.
2. Review of November minutes: Lyn motioned to approve the minutes. Mike seconded the motion and the minutes were approved as they stand.
3. Treasurer report: Mike didn't see much change since November so he didn't bring a physical report. He deposited a check from Barry Master and we are working with him and the school to find a worthy student for the scholarship. Lori asked Barry what he would like to see in the candidates so we can award it to someone of merit. We will work with the law teachers, Brett Mangum and Beth Snowden, to help advise the process.
4. Hall of fame nomination form and installation: Jamie Dumstorf has a volunteer who wants to install plaques for the hall of fame members. They have asked for assistance and have talked to Lyn and Kristen about it. There are some concerns with lack of follow through and sustainability. Lyn spoke with the volunteer about the hall of fame and various other opportunities to support the alumni association in the name of her grandchildren. Kristen has given the volunteer the information she has (reason they were nominated and photographs from 2018, 2019, 2020/22), as emailed Lisa to send the information to Jamie from 2023, and is also meeting with the volunteer on Tuesday 1/9. Mike suggested we should invite her to meet with the board about this since the hall of fame has been an alumni project. Lori will follow up with a plaque with name plates for the alumni room. A "walk of fame" was suggested as a better use of her money and to support the alumni association, buying bricks for the hall of fame members.

The board looked at the nomination form and feel like the nomination form can stand as is but we need to limit support materials (up to ten single sided pages of evidence), focus on diverse selection, and then put in writing our limit to how long a person can remain in the running for induction. Mike believes three selection cycles is appropriate. Kristen says we need to look into a better way to collect electronically. Mike suggested a fillable PDF or DocuSign. Wally and Butch both believe we should hold the event every year to keep it in the foreground. Per Lisa's email in October, she suggests we limit to 8 honorees, the deadline of April 1 for nomination and let inductees know by May 1 to plan for travel. If Lisa is committed to doing it this year, we will need to get Big Springs to commit to a date as soon as possible. We don't need to plan around a football game as we are unsure of home games this year. Kristen will alter the nomination form to update

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the changes agreed upon by the board. Lori will talk to Lisa about her willingness to continue chairing the event.

5. Website concerns: Lori said there is a domain issue and we cannot access the website at the moment. It is an IP address issue that will have to be solved through the company. Mike reported there is a lot of trouble getting tech support but it is being worked on.

6. Open floor/ close of meeting: Lori is working with John Cuningham to honor a classmate with a trust. They are thinking of using Louisville Community Foundation. She is discouraging this because once the funds are given to them, we lose say in how it is used. She is encouraging them to keep their money with us so they have control over how it is used. A motion to close the meeting was made by Lori and seconded by Mike. The meeting was closed at 7:10 pm.

Meetings for 2024: 1/08, 2/12, 3/11, 4/08, 5/13, 6/10, 7/15, 8/12, 9/09, 10/14, 11/11.

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