STREETSBORO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Minutes June 25, 2011

President Ricki Poole introduced Kristin Monahan prior to meeting as one of the seniors that received a \$500 scholarship as she had previous commitments and couldn't stay for the meeting.

Prior to the meeting, Debbie Wenzel, Darlene May and Klaus Koennecke sold 50/50 raffle tickets to further financial funds for the Association.

CALL TO ORDER:

President Ricki Graeser called the annual meeting of the Streetsboro Alumni Association to order at 7:35 p.m. President Poole welcomed all Alumni.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

In absence of Don Mountain, Secretary, Ed Szumski, Membership Chair, read the minutes of the June 2010 annual alumni dinner and business. The reading of the minutes were motioned for approval by Phyllis Koennecke and seconded by Judy Puster. Approved.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

<u>President's Report:</u> President Graeser read her report stating that the alumni membership has quadrupled since the Alumni Association was started.

_____was Board Member. This is where the scholarships are decided upon. Thanks to all.

Ed and Ricki also attended Streetsboro High School on March 24, 2011, spoke with seniors and handed out scholarship application forms. Only five candidates had applied for the scholarship. Thanks to donations, we were able to give out four, \$500 scholarships and one \$250 scholarship this year. The winners of the 2011 scholarships for \$500 are; Larissa Bradford, Alexandria Lesak, Kristin Monahan and Jacob Hatfield. The \$250 scholarship recipient was Nathan Mountain.

Ricki announced that the Association would continue its presence at home sporting events and stated that Ed and Ricki had attended both the 1964 and 1969 class reunions this past homecoming weekend.

Ricki added that over 700 birthday cards and 150 sympathy cards had been sent during the year to members and their families.

Ricki then thanked the Board of Directors for their continuous work and support they have provided throughout the year.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Treasurer, Deb Wenzel passed out copies of the Treasurer's report. She presented her report stating that the association increased its balance by \$1,944.46 during the past year. Motion to accept was extended and passed unanimously.

Debbie read the thank you letter from Alexandria Lesak, that she received thanking the Association for the scholarship.

Debbie said that there were 56 alumni members at the dinner.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

<u>Membership Committee:</u> Chair, Ed Szumski, stated that the association is up to 272 lifetime members, 20 Associate members, and 13 annual members. The newest member in attendance at the dinner was Joyce (Franz) Eklund from the class of 1966.

Ed mentioned that Debbie Belviso, class of 1971 passed away this week and he sent sympathy cards to her family. He also sent a sympathy card to Mike Mack as his mother-in-law passed away. Alumni member Larry Pruchenski passed away also and a card was sent to his wife, Fran.

He reminded all members who have email accounts to please send the address to him and he will send the quarterly newsletter via e-mail rather then through the mail, which would help save money. He added, that he would not sell e-mail addresses to anyone, which received a laugh from all in attendance.

Ed Szumski continues to send newsletters to all life members and associate who don't have an e-mail address.

He showed the invitation for the upcoming 1st Five Reunion to everyone and stated that he had a few with him if anyone there was interested in attending. If you would like more information, please contact him.

<u>Program Committee</u>: Karyn (Kravetz) Hall, Chair, and Ed both mentioned the alumni website, <u>www.streetsboroalumni.org</u> and urged everyone to go to the site for additional news about the Association.

OLD BUSINESS:

Scholarship awards were discussed.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT:

The nominating committee is comprised of Ed Szumski, Karyn Hall and Steve Szumski. Committee recommended Ricki Graeser – President; no other nominations presented, Darlene May – Vice President; no other nominations presented, Bee (Siobert) Greenlee – Secretary, no other nominations presented and Debbie Wenzel – Treasurer; no other nominations presented. Motion to accept by Klaus Koennecke and seconded by Bob Powell. All approved

NEW BUSINESS:

Ricki announced that the recipient of the Hall of Fame Award is Bobbi Stern. She is the Lifetime Achievement recipient and from the class of 1937. Mike Mack asked what the criteria were that she was chosen. Ed proceeded to relay the information to everyone.

Treasurer, Debbie Wenzel, asked that the monies received from the 1st Five Reunion be kept separate from the Association's money. Also, she had information on incorporating the Association which would allow us to do more fundraising legally. It would also allow us to legally tell the other Streetsboro Alumni Association (who is claiming to be the official website) to stop and desist claiming to be us. We would also have the right to use bulk mailing to decrease the cost of postage. Todd Puster is helping her with all the paperwork. We then voted on becoming a corporate entity. Motion to accept by Roberta Reed and seconded by Phyllis Koennecke. Approved.

Mike Mack proposed the following changes to the website:

- a. The membership dues need to be updated on the website.
- b. Cost of the hats and t-shirts need updated.
- c. All the officers' names should be added to the e-mail address, after the Membership Chair's information.
- d. The January and April newsletters need to let all members know of the upcoming officer nominations.
- e. Hall of Fame criteria also needs to be posted on the website.
- f. A new page needs to be added to the website and have the minutes of all the annual meetings posted (unedited). The meetings are open to the public and only the ones that attended know the information. The rest of the membership is entitled to get the same information.
- g. The Board of Directors should instruct the Administrator of the website NOT to post anything or change anything on the website without first being checked over for accuracy and then approved by the voting members of the Board of Directors or a voting director designated by the rest of the Board to do the job.

A motion for the proposed changes was made by Mike Mack and seconded by Roberta Reed.

President Graeser announced that there is \$82.50 in the reverse raffle funds. The youngest member of the Association pulled the winning ticket. The winner was Judy (Wenzel) Puster. She donated \$25 of her winnings back to the Scholarship Fund.

President Graeser was happy to let everyone know that the Singletary House has given the Alumni Association an upstairs room in the house for our memorabilia. They have also purchased a few storage units with locks for our use. Betty Defer and Ted Hurd offered to fix the room up for us. Our memorabilia will now belong to them and we won't have to worry about inventorying them. Cole Waite is taking all the yearbooks and putting copies of them on discs. Thanks to Elwood Hewitt, President of the Streetsboro Heritage Association, for letting us use the room.

ROLL CALL:

Class of 1935 - 1 Class of 1968	- ၁
Class of 1940 - 1 Class of 1969	- 2
Class of 1941 - 1 Class of 1970	- 2
Class of 1942 - 2 Class of 1971	- 3
Class of 1945 - 1 Class of 1973	- 1
Class of 1963 - 3 Class of 1976	- 1
Class of 1965 - 7 Class of 1977	- 1
Class of 1966 - 5 Class of 1980	- 2
Class of 1967 - 3 Class of 1989	- 2

The remaining numbers were guests.

Ted Hurd made a challenge to go through everyday of your life talking up the Streetsboro Alumni Association. Ed passed out application forms to anyone who wanted them.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 pm was made by Ted Hurd and seconded by Roberta Reed. Approved.

Anyone wishing to tour the school was so invited to do so.

Submitted by Darlene May, Vice President in the absence of Secretary, Donald Mountain.