

## STREETSBRORO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Minutes 2007

On June 30, 2007 the annual meeting of the Streetsboro Alumni Association was brought to order at the newly acquired home of President Linda Kovacs at 7:30 p.m. The new home and meeting place for 2007 was the Sperry Farm located at 7909 Diagonal Road, Streetsboro, Ohio 44241.

President Kovacs brought the meeting to order and there were 19 in attendance that included the following:

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| <u>1.</u> President Linda (Russo) (1973)        | <u>2.</u> V.P. Ricki Jo (Poole) Graeser (1968) |
| <u>3.</u> Treas. Mrs. Glenn Marsh (Hudson 1947) | <u>4.</u> Secretary Delbert Stewart (1968)     |
| <u>5.</u> Mike Mack (1968)                      | <u>6.</u> Gay Shope (1965)                     |
| <u>7.</u> Marguerite Heritage (1938)            | <u>8.</u> Marie (Lillich) Dunlap (1937)        |
| <u>9.</u> Grace Manfrass (1935)                 | <u>10.</u> Florence Newman (1936)              |
| <u>11.</u> Nolan Yoder (1948)                   | <u>12.</u> Harold Newman (1936)                |
| <u>13.</u> Zoe Hannum (1942)                    | <u>14.</u> Vernon Weingart (1942)              |
| <u>15.</u> Larry Weingart (1979)                | <u>16.</u> Winnie Weingart (1949 Kent)         |
| <u>17.</u> Joe Weingart (1943)                  | <u>18.</u> Gerald Semproch (1965)              |
| <u>19.</u> Hanna Newman (1942 Silver Creek)     |  |

President Kovacs brought to the floor the discussion as to any “old business”. Mr. Mike Mack was asked and then given the floor to express his “unhappiness” as to the stagnant growth of the Association. It was suggested that Mike should consider running for “office” and put in the effort to “grow” the Association. Mike accepted the challenge and asked that he take over the meeting. President Kovacs relinquished control over the proceedings to Mike Mack without a single call of “out of order”. After much discussion that if Mike were to manage the meeting he would have to have the authority as President. Linda Kovacs agreed and suggested that the election of 2007 Officers be brought “out of order” to allow Mike to assert control. Secretary Delbert Stewart agreed and brought a motion to the membership that Mike Mack be nominated for President of the Association so that there would be some sense of authorized control and direction for the proceedings to progress as Vice President Ricki Graeser was not prepared for such a surprise turn of

events and claimed lack of authority to proceed; The embarrassed Linda Kovacs seconded the motion for Mike Mack to be nominated and to take immediate control over the proceedings; all members present voted in the affirmative.

The meeting moved forward, “out of order” and under the control of the new **President Mike Mack**. The meeting was “out of order” as the “old business” under Linda Kovacs presidency was never discussed.

“New business” was never brought to the floor for discussion under “the helm” of President Kovacs.

The “reading of the minutes” from 2006 was not performed, nor was there a “treasurer’s report” read into the record. The meeting was “out of order” according to “Roberts Rules of Order”.

The election of other offices for the Association was brought to the floor and nominations for the remaining offices were held as follows:

For **Vice President**; Ricki Jo (Poole) Graeser was nominated by Delbert Stewart and “seconded” by Gay Shope; nominations closed and voting by the membership present was unanimous.

For **Secretary**; Mike Mack nominated Delbert Stewart. The nomination was “seconded” by Linda Kovacs; nominations were closed as there were no other nominations made. An oral vote was cast and decision was **unanimous** by the membership present.

For **Treasurer**; Linda Kovacs nominated Glenn Marsh to continue with another additional term. The nomination was seconded by Gay Shope. Nominations were closed and a vote was called for. The decision of the membership was unanimous for Glenn Marsh.

There was a suggestion brought to the floor to place into the record “the passing” of some of the membership. The suggestion was agreed upon and is as follows;

Mr. Mark Weingart

Ruth Ann Manfrass

Gerry Lilly

Chester Scheffel

It is recognized, and the membership present at the meeting agreed, that there have probably been more deaths occurred over the past year or so but were unaware of any more deaths than those mentioned.

President Mike Mack was asking for an open floor discussion as to any ideas on how to increase the membership; he was of the opinion that the effectiveness of keeping the Association a viable association was in question. The ideas mentioned and discussed were the following;

Call the Band Leader (no volunteers)

Senior Class Presentations

Contact the Children directly

Newspaper

Entertainment

Alumni of the Year

Door Prizes at the games

Scholarship drawing for graduating seniors.

Activities for Senior Class sponsored by the Association

There were no volunteers for pursuing any of these ideas save that of Mike Mack “spearheading” his ideas over the coming year; he agreed upon his own to pursue different avenues to expand the membership.

On the lighter side, Vernon Weingart read some poems to the membership present which brought many chuckles. Vernon was absolutely “Marvelous, just marvelous”; thank you Vernon.

There appeared to be no other business brought to the floor, so Linda Kovacs made the motion to close the meeting 50 minutes after it was opened. Motion was seconded by Gay Shope and the motion carried unanimously by vocal vote and the meeting closed at 8:20 pm.

## SECRETARYS NOTE & MEMORANDUM

It is recognized in this country that any private or public legal proceedings for any recognized Associations or Clubs with a set of “by-laws” proceed under “Roberts Rules of Order”. Proceedings in which the transfer of funds donated or collected by the way of dues or other such means fall under the criminal section of the Ohio Revised Code and mismanagement or disbursement of funds without approval of the Officers and consent of the membership could be construed as a “criminal act”. I, as the current elected Secretary of this Association would surely hope that any further “out of order” meetings cease and desist from ever occurring again.

An apology was extended to our host and Past President Linda Kovacs by V.P. Ricki Graeser and Delbert Stewart on behalf of the Streetsboro Alumni Association. We would surely hope that this apology will give some comfort and calm to Linda and the membership. There were a number of members expressing their shock and “disgust” as to the events of the evening to this Secretary. It was mentioned that “someone” should have stood up and brought the meeting “into order”.

As Secretary of the Association, and familiar with Civil Rules of Order and in particular, “Roberts”; I apologize whole heartedly to the membership and the other Officers present for not “objecting” to the events that unfolded. It is I that should have “stood up” and brought the “proceedings” back into alignment with recognized procedures and the rules. I again apologize.

I personally have no animosities towards the new President Mike Mack and his **good intentions**, however, in a free society, we are all responsible for the proceedings in which we participate, **public or private**. This “Secretary” suggests that all members considering accepting nominations for **any** type of office, Public or Private; familiarize yourselves with “the rules” that govern those proceedings.

I, Delbert G. Stewart, Secretary of this Association recognize that it is not customary or in the rules that the Secretary render notes, memorandums, or an opinion and place it “in the minutes”; however, I felt that some guidance was needed at this point for the benefit of the Association and all future members and “the record” must reflect my notes and recollections. “The record” must be accurate and it’s integrity and truth must be kept pure.

These minutes will be read to the membership in 2008 and a individual comment from each of the members present are to be recognized and “recorded”.

A copy of these minutes will be sent by this Secretary to each of the members so that they may be prepared in 2008 to make their comments intelligent and proper for the benefit of “The Association” and their voice heard “on the record”.

Secretary of the Streetsboro Alumni Association

Delbert G. Stewart