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The Justin F. Kimball High School Alumni Association®

Minutes of the Special Called Interim Board Meeting
Saturday – July 18, 2009 - 10:00am-12:00pm
Embassy Suites Love Field – 3880 W. Northwest Highway
Dallas, Texas 75220

Bonnie Pollack Roberds (61), President
Presiding

Members Present: Steve Cumming (74), Darius “Slim” Dupree (94), Gayla Brooks Kokel (65), Sue Ann Wall Kosydar (74), Jennifer Pendgraft (97), Edwina Perry (91), Danny Smith (68), Margaret Kemp Stanley (74), Abe M. Williams III (98).

Members Absent: John Byers (61), Scott Byers (63), Shimese Flowers (91), Jim Holman (66), Ron Sills (60), Kathy DeVault Toberny (67).

Guest’s Present: Sandra “Sandy” McFeeley, Attorney at Law

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Bonnie Roberds, Association President at 10:10am.

II. Reading of the Minutes

Steve Cumming, Board Secretary, presented the minutes from the May 09, 2009 meeting. After reading of the minutes, motion to approve made by Sue Ann Kosydar, with second by Kathy Devault Toberny. (*Motion carried*)

III. Treasurer’s Report

Danny Smith, Association Treasurer, presented the Treasurer’s Report. After brief discussion, motion was made by Steve Cumming with second by Margaret Stanley to accept the report as presented. (*Motion carried*)

IV. President’s Report

1. Kimball Alumni Scholarships Awarded - Bonnie reported that herself, Steve, Gayla, and Sue Ann represented the Board at the Kimball Senior Day assembly where the annual Board Scholarships were awarded. The total scholarships awarded to all Kimball students from various sources was over \$225,000! Bonnie stated that she thought that we had made an excellent choice in the selection of students to receive this award. It was interesting to note that one student received a four year Army ROTC Scholarship to Morehouse College in Atlanta, GA in the amount of \$165,000!

2. DISD Alumni Coalition Formed - Bonnie also reported on the Alumni Coalition that is currently being formed to represent all of the active Alumni Associations of DISD High Schools. The

goal of this group is to help the Associations in planning reunions and for buying power where shirts and other items can be bought in bulk to save money for the Associations. Another function of this group is as a political action group in order to act as a watchdog to the DISD School Board.

V. Old Business

1. Status of the E-Knight Life – John Byers, Steve Cumming

Steve reported that he and John have talked about putting the E-Knightlife online. Steve said that John had stated that usually the paper was laid out in MS Publisher and then converted to an Adobe format. Gayla suggested that we have hard copies available not only at the school, but at the area public libraries as well.

V. New Business

1. Introduction of New Board Members – Bonnie Roberds

The Association President, Bonnie Roberds had the pleasure of introducing new members to the Board from various Kimball Classes of the 1990's. New members are Darius "Slim" Dupree (94), Shimese Flowers* (91), Jennifer Pendgraft (97), Edwina Perry (91), and Abe Williams III (98). New Board members that joined the Board at previous meetings were Gayla Brooks Kokel (65) and Margaret Kemp Stanley (74). We warmly welcome all of these new members to the Board! (*Absent)

2. Nominating Committee – Bonnie suggested that since we will be electing officers at our Annual Meeting in either November or December that we should set up an "Official" Nominating Committee to select these positions. Committee will consist of the following members: Sue Ann Wall Kosydar, Jennifer Pendgraft, Edwina Perry, and Abe Williams III.

2. Outside Audit of Association Financial Records – Bonnie Roberds

It is mandated in both the old and new By-Laws that our Association records be audited by an outside auditor. There is an individual that was recommended by Sandy McFeeley to the Association, as this individual has experience working with not-for profit groups. Sandy said that she did not think that we needed to utilize a CPA for the audit every year, but rather could probably get by only having the "official" audit maybe every three years or so. The CPA that Sandy is recommending is A. Eugene Smith, and at this point, Danny will make the initial contact with him with Steve to assist. Abe made a motion that we move forward with meeting with the CPA, with a second by Jennifer Pendgraft. *(Motion carried)*

3. Board Member E-Mail Addresses (www.justinfkimball.org) – Steve Cumming

Steve reported that he had been in discussion with our Webmaster **John Byers** and was pleased to announce that our website has the capability to allow Board members to receive email at the Association Website utilizing their own personal e-mail address (boardmember-name@justinfkimball.org). This would alleviate the Board members from having to list their personal e-mail addresses as public information. Steve reported that it was a relatively simple process to set up the email addresses and he recommended that we do it to allow for the security of our Board Members. Motion to allow the Webmaster to set up the individual email addresses made by Danny Smith, seconded by Sue Ann Kosydar. *(Motion carried)*

4. Presentation of new Association By-Laws Document – Steve Cumming

Steve Cumming, Chair of the By-Laws Committee presented the new Association By-Laws document for Board approval. Steve went through the document and pointed out several key areas of the document. After answering questions from the Board, and with some general discussion, a Motion to accept the document and present it to the Association Membership at the Annual Meeting for their approval was made by Bonnie Roberds, seconded by Steve Cumming. *(Motion carried)*

5. The next meeting will be the Regular Stated Meeting to be held on Saturday, September 19, 2009 from 10:00am-12:00pm at the Embassy Suites Love Field.

VII. Adjournment – With no additional business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Steve Cumming, and seconded by Jennifer Pendgraft. (*Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 12:00p.m.*)

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen Cumming

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Board Secretary

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