**YORK COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

**Meeting Minutes, February 20, 2018**

**Call to Order:** The meeting of the Association was called to order at 7:06 PM, President Jay Webb, presiding. Attendees introduced themselves:

Sharon O’Brien, ’76 Karen Ross, ’62 Jay Webb, ’75, President Kathy Wilson, ’65, Vice President Linda Boeske-Aldis, ’74, Treasurer Debbie Leaton-Linhart, ‘67, Secretary Kurt Fowich, ’63 Jon Ariesen, ’74 Kristen Yasz Jenna Ernst, ’12, D 205

**Approval of Minutes:** It was moved by Kathy and seconded by Kurt that the minutes of the January 16, 2018, meeting be approved as submitted. The motion passed and the minutes were approved.

**St. Patrick’s Day Parade:**  The Alumni Association was added to District 205’s application to participate in the parade on March 10th. We will carry our table banner to identify us as we walk. As we walk, we will give away the T-shirts that were printed on the wrong fabric.

**Administrative Business:**

1. **Treasurer’s report:** A detailed report was presented by Linda. The Association has a balance of $1,605.79, plus $1,787.48 of merchandise to be sold for fund raising. There was discussion of who has the right to sell T-shirts, ornaments and other items with the Alumni Association name on them.
2. **Fundraising Ideas/ Volunteers:** Ideas from the January meeting were reviewed.
   1. an event at Top Golf
   2. an event at a ceramics center
   3. a quilt being made and auctioned at a centennial event
   4. an alumni basket to auction at the Foundation’s Gala
   5. automobile raffle (price and number of tickets as well as possible need for insurance were discussed, no conclusion reached)
   6. designing a Christmas ornament to be sold at centennial events
   7. designing a sweatshirt that looks like a lettermen’s sweater
3. **Membership report:** There was no membership report.

**Old Business:**

1. **Banner**: The banner should have been up on the other side the week of 2/5-12. The banner may now be displayed on the fence facing the C. D. East Athletic Field at St. Charles and Spring Rd. Potential dates were again discussed for 2019. It was decided that Kathy will try to reserve the week of January 21, 2019 on the south side and in April, 2019 on the north.
2. **PR/York Graduate 1930’s:** The York graduate from the 1930’s has not been well lately, but we continue to hope she may be well enough to participate in the centennial festivities.

**Standing Committees:**

1. **York Centennial:** Jay and Sharon will be meeting with Drew at York on February 21st to determine how much financial support we may be able to anticipate from York. The Centennial celebration will be September 27-30, 2018. Sharon reviewed the proposed schedule of events for each day of the Centennial weekend:
   1. Timeline: information is being gathered.
   2. Thursday, September 27: a kick-off event at Fitz’s Spare Keys
   3. Friday, September 28: activities will be coordinated with the Homecoming game
   4. Saturday, September 29: Sharon will check with Val regarding tour and slide show option at York. In the evening there would be an event at the Diplomat. A photographer may be present to take group pictures and print them immediately on-site.
   5. Sunday Brunch: could be at Monty’s banquet hall for approximately $30 per person with a $1,000 deposit, or at the White Pines Golf Club which requires a minimum of 50 people at approximately $27 per person with a $200 deposit.
   6. “Drama thru the Decades” may be done in spring of 2019, perhaps off-sight.
   7. Questions included:
      1. Has a musical piece been commissioned?
      2. Will students be involved with the tours?
      3. Is Elmhurst Auto considering sponsoring a car show?
      4. Will the Foundation help sponsor anything? Or be willing to partner with us on the car raffle?
2. **Senior Events:** Kurt and Linda are still trying to coordinate an event at Park Place.
3. **Bylaws:** The bylaws will state that our financial records will be audited annually.
4. **PR/Social Media:** Kristen has information regarding reunions other activities on Instagram and twitter at Yorkdukesalumni (one word).
5. **Chamber of Commerce:** There was no report.

**New Business:**

1. **2018 Alumni Nights:**  There will be an alumni night at Silverado on February 27th from 5 PM – 10 PM. In March the Alumni Night will be March 13th at Riley’s.
2. **Dinner With …** The May Alumni Night may include former teachers.
3. **Mentoring**: Kathy will soon be contacting the woman who is willing to work with us.
4. **Next meeting**: The next regular meeting will be on March 20, 2018, at 7 PM.

**Adjournment:** It was moved by Linda and seconded by Sharon that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Leaton-Linhart, Secretary