

Glenville State College Alumni Council
Special Meeting
9-22-2018

In Attendance:

Dave Hutchinson
Bob Marsh
Pat Lydon
Sharon B. Gainer
Yvonne King
Bill Deel
Martha Deel

Julie ??
Kate Williams
A. J. Howard
Maureen Kraus Gildein
Ralph Holder
Gary Wagner
Robin W. Chaney

Paul Biser
Dennis Carpenter
John Hoover
Conner Ferguson
Kyre-Anna Minney

I. Welcome

The called Special Meeting of the GSC Alumni council was called to order by President Dennis Carpenter. A motion to correct the August 5, 2018, minutes was made by Martha Deel and seconded by Bob Marsh. The motion to discuss the minutes carried.

The correction reads as follows: “Martha Deel presented a scholarship project idea to honor retired Alumni Director Debra Nagy and her 45 years of service to GSC. Martha suggested that ~~each council member~~ alumni of GSC be contacted to give a gift of \$45 to be established for use as Mrs. Nagy chooses, for the Alumni House or another project.”

A motion to accept the corrected minutes was made by Robin Chaney, seconded by John Hoover; the motion carried.

An item was added to the agenda on a motion made by Bob Marsh, seconded by John Hoover, to discuss the ability of the Alumni Director to spend Alumni Council monies. The motion passed and “VI. Alumni Director and Financial Access” was added to the agenda.

II. Introduction of New Alumni Director

Conner Ferguson (GSC 2017) was introduced by V.P. Dave Hutchison. Conner spoke of the goal to “preserve the past with an eye on the future” in his remarks. His official start date is October 1, 2018. There will be two offices – one at the Alumni House and one in the Admin building. Dave Hutchison assured Council members that the Alumni Director will “always have a presence in the Alumni House.”

III. GSC Report

Dr. Pellett was not in attendance and there was no official GSC Report.

IV. Alumni House Discussion

In response to a question by the president – “How would like to see the Alumni House used?” – several ideas were offered:

- Rooms on the first floor could be used for themed displays, i.e., athletics, Greeks, history of GNS, etc.
- Goal should be to encourage more activity to utilize the House
- Create a GSC 100 course and use the House as the “textbook”
- Alumni gatherings
- Lodging for special guests on campus and/or alumni

IV. (Cont.)

Bob Marshall gave a summary of a contractor's "walk-thru" of the House: (the report will be entered into the minutes when available)

- Upgrades are needed for HVAC, electrical, plumbing
- Asbestos could be a problem on the third floor
- Cosmetic upgrades are needed for the first and second floors
- ADA requires an accessible bath on the first floor
- Porches and ramps need repairs
- Replacement of upstairs windows
- Safety issues
- Rough estimate: \$150,000-\$200,00

Discussion followed regarding the practicality and feasibility of keeping or selling the house; the possibility of securing historical preservation grants; fundraising; and, actual ownership of the Alumni House. Robin Chaney shared some information about the purchase of the House and that it was bought and furnished through Alumni donations. All agreed that further discussion was warranted.

With that in mind, a House committee was re-formed; appointees/volunteers are Bob Marsh, John Hoover, Maureen Gildein, Kyre-Anna Minney, Bill Deel, Robin Chaney, and Conner Ferguson. They are to meet and report back at a future meeting.

Kyre-Anna Minney moved to proceed to the next agenda item; with a second by Ralph Holder, the motion carried on the vote.

V. Homecoming

Plans for Homecoming have been finalized:

- Friday – Alumni House open from 4 pm to 8 pm with soup and sandwiches available
- Saturday – Parade at 10 am, Tailgate at the stadium beginning at 11:30 am, game at 1 pm, and postgame activities from 4 pm to 8 pm at the Waco Center. Lambert Winery will bring its brick oven and pizza, salad, and wine will be available, as well as other beverages and finger foods.

GSC Alumni T-shirts have been ordered (500) and Robin Chaney moved to sell the Ts at \$10 (approx. cost is \$4); Bob Marsh seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Lambert Winery requires a minimum guarantee of \$2000.00 to confirm their attendance. John Hoover seconded a motion by Robin Chaney to cover the deficit, if necessary. The motion carried.

Suggestions for next year's Homecoming:

- Determine the date earlier in the year and target promotions to Alumni
- Create a "Welcome Banner"

(And here I must make a sincere apology, as my notes read "2 new, no dates, Kyre-Anna moved and John Hoover seconded". If anyone can help out here, I would greatly appreciate it; I must have been really excited about the Homecoming discussion 😊)

VI. Alumni Director and Financial Access

It was moved by Ralph Holder and seconded by John Hoover to give Conner Ferguson permission to access Alumni funds held at the Glenville Bank on his signature only, not to exceed \$200.00 per transaction. Conner will provide an accounting of his expenditures to the treasurer, to be included in the Treasurer's Report.

Respectfully submitted,



Robin W. Chaney