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Richland Club 40 Meeting Minutes

Red Lion Hotel April 21, 2012

The spring Board of Directors meeting was held on Saturday, April 21, 2012, at the Richland Red Lion Hotel. President John Zimmer called the meeting to order at 1:p.m. The names of the members in attendance are listed at the end of these minutes.

Copies of the minutes from the October 22, 2011 Board Meeting were distributed to everyone present. The minutes were read and approved as written. Duke Mitchell asked if it would be possible to have the minutes sent out online. It was noted they are posted on the Bomber website shortly after each meeting.

Financial Summary

Treasurer Ann Thompson reported there is \$52,633.80 in a CD with HAPO Credit Union, including \$721.80 interest earned during 2011. Currently there is \$16,399.96 in our checking account, of which \$5921.04 is scholarship money. This leaves a balance of \$10,478.92. Ann also reported that merchandise sales brought in \$730 last year. Ann will be meeting next week with our CPA Bob Bowls, to verify the amount earned from the sale of Class Yearbooks in 2011.

Scholarship Report

Pete Overdahl announced he is acting as temporary chairman of the Scholarship Committee. Due to the requirement of the job, the position of Chairman needs to be filled by someone local. It is set up so a new chairman can step right in to continue the work. The goal is to have at least two self-sustaining \$1,000 scholarships, so they can continue without requiring any additional donations.

There was a delay in the distribution of scholarship money in 2011 because one recipient didn't follow procedures and the other transferred from the University of Montana to WSU. Both situations have now been resolved. In an effort to avoid future problems, Larry Harrold, the former committee chairman, suggested the committee send a letter to the recipients' parents at the time the scholarship is awarded. The letter will explain that we need the student's social security number, student ID number and proof of enrollment from the school in order for scholarship money to be released. We also ask for a letter of appreciation from the student that can be published in the Dust Storm.

The deadline for submission of scholarship applications for 2012 is May 7. The Scholarship Committee will meet by May 16 to finalize their selection, and the Award Banquet will be held May 23.

Sales of previously donated Class Yearbooks have been very good, with two books selling for \$500. Pete will list the class year of books that are available in the Dust Storm.

At the Board Meeting last October, it was recommended that names of donors to the scholarship fund be published in the Dust storm. Since that time, it has been learned that some people do not want their names published. It was suggested that

just the total donated by class be published. In the case of couples where both are Bombers, the amount would be divided equally between their classes. This was voted on

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and approved by the Board. Individual acknowledgements will continue to be sent to each donor.

Other Business

After a short break, President Zimmer held a drawing for gift certificates to the spudnut shop and the winners were Leslie Swanson Holeman '59 and Dale Gier '48.

2012 Silver Jubilee

Decorations

Dona Belt brought a sample of several types of decorations the committee has proposed, including banners and hanging decorations. She said there will be table centerpieces with carnations and also green and gold M&M's with "Club 40" on them. The committee estimates \$500-\$600 for decorations and will need additional volunteers to help put up the decorations and arrange the centerpieces.

Dona also said that as a part of the Friday night program, she would like to feature the popular "By's Burgers" and invite By Meyers and his wife to the Silver Jubilee. She would crown them King and queen of Burgers and asked authorization to have their dinners paid for both nights and possibly their hotel room. After discussion, the board voted and approved paying for their meals but recommended using donations to cover the room expenses, possibly by including a space on the Registration Form for a special donation for the Silver Jubilee.

Entertainment

It was reported by Karol smith that a 5-piece band with a vocalist has been secured for Saturday night. They are called the Java tones and the cost if \$500. In addition, they are willing to set up their sound system on Friday and let us use it for our Friday night program for an additional \$250. Bert Pierard questioned the need for the extra \$250 as he is planning to have a combo play Friday and we could use their equipment. After discussion, it was voted on and approved to use the sound system of the Java Tones on Friday for \$250 and have them play Saturday for \$500. Karol smith said that the Java Tones have a demo online at www.javatones.com for anyone to check out. Karol further said special entertainment has been proposed for Friday, with a nod to a program called "The Sagebrush Follies pf 1946" which originally was sponsored by the Richland JC"S and performed by members of the Hi Spot. Bert Pierard was asked to give more details about the proposed program.

Bert said he had been contacted by members of the class of 1947 who wanted to do something special for the silver Jubilee. Burt recalled the original "Sagebrush Follies" and wanted to do something similar on a smaller scale. The finale for the original was called "A Night at the Hi spot", and he proposes beginning our program with that. He plans five segments, with the three mail segments featuring the 40's, 50's and 60's. The 50's portion would be about By's Burgers. Bert will be MC and Producer. Bill Allen, former teacher at RHS has agreed to be artistic director, with Missy Keeney Baker writing the script. The program is estimated to cost \$200 and last one hour. Bert also plans to print special programs and will contribute 200-300 programs, which could be sold for \$1 per copy to raise funds. The proposed program cover seemed to credit only one class and much discussion followed. It was finally agreed that all classes from the 1940's would be honored as founders of Richland Club 40.

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By necessity, most participants in the follies program will need to be local so they can be available for rehearsals. the dress rehearsal on Thursday will be mandatory for everyone and participants coming from outside the area will need to be there.

The Proposal for a Follies Program was put to a vote, and Bert Pierard was given full responsibility and approved to put on the production from 7:30 to 8:30 Friday evening.

Duke Mitchell asked whether there were plans to video tape the production and the name of John Adkins was mentioned as someone who could do this. it was agreed this would be worth looking into.

Food and Beverage

Chairman Marilynn Highstreet reported that the food for Friday evening would be served at 6:00p.m. and would be called an "Appetizer Buffet" so people should not expect a full dinner. The menu will be the same as last year, with chicken or beef sliders (2 per person), with vegetable, cheese and fruit trays and assorted pies and cakes. there will also be a chocolate fountain. Our cost is \$23.28, including the chocolate fountain, tax and gratuity. It was agreed the charge for Friday would be \$28 per person.

The menu for Saturday night is new, and will be a Texas Barbeque, including barbequed smoked pork ribs, grilled lime and cilantro marinated chicken breast, corn on the cob, green salad, potato salad, coleslaw, brown sugar baked beans, cornbread, fruit and apple crumble for dessert. Our cost is \$35.80 and the charge will be \$40 per person Saturday.

President Zimmer asked Marilynn to check on the bar set up. we will need 2 bars for each night.

Publicity

Chairman Sharon Watts is working on arranging with the Red Lion to have their reader board in the front of the hotel display "Richland Club 40 Silver Jubilee". she also brought 3 examples of full color flyers to choose from. the board selected one, which will be used for advertising and for the Dust Storm.

Additional Business

Dick McCoy made a motion that Club 40 dues be increased form \$5 to \$10 per year, which was seconded by Ann Thompson. Ann further added that it be made effective immediately but that members who had already paid 2012 dues be grandfathered. Dues would apply to each individual Bomber. the motion was voted on and approved by the entire Board.

A related motion was made to rescind the provision that members who have had their 60th Class Reunion be exempt from paying annual dues. This was also voted on and approved by the Board, effective immediately.

Ann Thompson, Treasurer, and Marsha Hathcox, Dust Storm Editor, will collaborate on writing an explanation about the changes in Club 40 Dues for the upcoming Dust Storm.

Dust Storm

Marsha Hathcox, Editor, thanked everyone who has submitted information for publication in the upcoming Dust Storm and said that the deadline is Saturday, May 5. Due to the Memorial Day Holiday, the folding party will probably be held on Wednesday, May 28. There will be no early registration forms. Everyone will receive their forms with the Dust Storm. **Registration forms that are submitted must be original**, although ballots for

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Class Representatives may be duplicated when members of a couple are both Bombers. Or both members may use the same ballot, marking their respective years.

2013 Reunion

Pete Overdahl announced that the Red Lion Hanford House is not available to us for the 2nd weekend in September, 2013, as it was scheduled several months ago by another class. Therefore, our options are to hold our Reunion the following weekend or move to another location. After discussing the pros and cons, the Board voted to hold our 2013 Reunion at the Shiloh. Pete was asked to get together with Connie O'Neil to make those arrangements.

New Business

Judy Klem, Class Representative for '62, reported that their class had such a great time at their 50th Reunion they decided to get together in 2013 and call it a 70th Birthday Party, since most of them will be turning 70. They are planning a cruise, either to Alaska in May or to the Caribbean in September. Sounds wonderful!

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by President Zimmer.

Respectfully submitted,

Karol Smith, Secretary

Class Year	Name
1945	Dick McCoy
1947	Pat Parker Green
1947 &1948	Nina A Barlow
1948	Maxine Faubion
1948	Dale Gier
1949	Rose Kron
1949	Ann Thompson, Treasurer
1950	Janet Graham Nelson
1950	Nadine Roberts Hackney
1951	Betty Bell Norton
1952	Luana Portch
1954	Dona Belt, Historian
1954	Marilynn Highstreet
1955	Sharon Watts, Publicity
1956	Karol Smith, Secretary
1956	Annette Parnell
1957	Larry Belt
1957	Dan Haggard
1958	Barbara Isakson Rau
1958	Glen Rose, Raffle
1959	Sandy Armstrong
1959	Leslie Swanson Holeman
1960	Marj Haggard
1960	Marcia Hathcox, Dust Storm Editor
1960	Pete Overdahl, Vice President
1961	Judy Klem
1961	Jack Gardiner _
1966	John Zimmer, President
1969	Duke Mitchell
1969	Irene Waldner Russell