

Alumni Awards Committee Report
Sept. 17, 2022, Board Meeting

Jamie Sennett and Susan Nelson-Brown met on June 30, 2022, to plan for the upcoming committee meeting and review work.

July 26, 2022, the Awards committee met for the first time this year. New members were welcomed, and all members were thanked for their participation in this important process.

Attendees:

Susan Nelson-Brown- Chairman
Jamie Sennett
Alice Spann
Mary Dellorto
J D Schurter
Dani Brink
Jenna Goldsmith
Tisha Mills
Leah Walton

The review process was discussed along with the timelines for completing the process. There are 80 nominations for the 6 awards. With this large number of nominees, the awards are divided into two working sub-groups for efficiency. On Aug 7, 2022, sub-committee assignments were sent with a tentative deadline of early Sept of sub-committee meetings.

Several members are still in the review process, so the sub-committee meetings will be pushed out to later in Sept.

It is expected that committee recommendations will be presented in October.

ISUAA Board Development Committee Minutes
August 30, 2022
Attendance: JD, Steve, Leah, Stan, Stacy, Rachel (staff)

Meeting began at 4:35p.m.

1. The committee will work to fill the at-large executive committee seat by September. If was noted if this cannot be done by September, the committee will make a motion to executive committee to keep the seat vacant.

2. The committee will work on three goals for the year. They include:
 - Updating AA board manual to reflect constitution changes and review guidelines and best practices. JD, Steve, Dave to review will begin the review and work to flag outdated or missing items. It was also suggested to include a page with the liaison positions and contacts of the committee on campus.
 - Establish a plan to encourage non-BOD members to serve on BOD committees. Stan and Stacy to help lead this effort and look at a plan that can include what committees need for nonboard member seats, term limit options, and a process to indicate interest. Rachel shared with the group that a form has been created that can be used.
 - Professional development/teambuilding will be discussed further at the October meeting.

3. Rachel briefly reviewed the slate selection timeline with the indication that leadership is suggested to be reviewed sooner in the process. It was asked if a separate survey could be sent earlier to the board to show leadership interest to help with the new timeline.

4. Rachel will send out a poll to find the best time to meet in October.
 - Meeting Times: October 15-17, 2022

5. Adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

ISUAA DEI Committee Meeting Agenda
September 7, 2022
5:15 p.m.

Review/edit website – Matthew Rillie
Questions regarding the strategic plan – Matthew Rillie
Listening session 2.0 – Stan Shingles
DEI archive proposal – Jenna Goldsmith
Alumni Board Meeting 9/17
Announcements
Any other business

Meeting Minutes

5:15 pm: Committee call to order. Welcome from committee co-chairs.

5:23 pm: Committee member introductions

5:27 pm:

Website revisions.

Nikita recommendations from the chat:

Previous website suggestions I provided... Just suggestions.

Creation of a new Alumni Association Tab

A page highlighting articles and updates regarding the work of alums around EDI/AJ etc.

Change the cover photo to a group photo of the board which will publicly display the diversity of our organization. See representation matters and is impactful.

Contact Us / Feedback and Suggestions Form

Pie Graph depicting a demographic snapshot of the ISUAA

Alumni With Disabilities – sharing resources, events, and career resources

Discussion: How does our board self-identify? How can we show the campus community and the broader community what diversity looks like? Is this something we would like to gather information on in a survey? Kris volunteers to put that survey together for us.

General discussion on how we can build off what the university includes in its EDI statement on the ISU website.

Nikita will follow up with Stan and Kris about EDI work coming out of President's Office, DIAC, invitation to Symposium on EDI for Stan and Matt.

Actionable goals, low hanging fruit action items: Pie chart, photo (maybe), self-identification survey. Realistic timetable is end of year 2022.

General discussion about group photo. Kris says she will ask University Marketing about how we can put a creative photo together of our board to reflect who we are.

Listening Sessions 2.0 Should we bring these back for Listening Sessions 2.0?

The committee is in a very different space we are in now than we were 2 years ago. Wants to just recognize context here.

Listening Sessions provide alums opportunity to share their true feelings about their ISU experiences. Communication could include brief updates about how we've applied what we heard in the listening sessions before. Could we also have a very recent graduate (class of 2023?) help us with this in a supportive role? This would facilitate participation from the next generation of active alums.

Discussion about how to engage alum, get them participating. Thinking about how we can get more and more involved in what we are trying to accomplish.

Do we want to call this "listening sessions" again? Seems like there was some confusion around this the first time around. Communication this time should over emphasize what a listening session is, what the goals are of a listening session, etc. Start getting things out in January 2023.

Strategic Plan: If there are questions about the strategic plan, the invite is there to chat with Matt and Stan or making room for committee agenda time.

Archived EDI artifacts/activities:

Is an archive drive a charge for this committee?

General discussion about archiving EDI at ISU. Let's talk with April Anderson-Zorn to see what they really need/want. Committee member will contact April and will report back to committee.

Closing remarks

General discussion about changing the meeting time, one committee member cannot attend because of a class. Cochair will contact committee member about receiving updates.

Committee adjourns 6:36pm

Alumni Association Homecoming Committee
September 8, 2022
Notes/Report

- Homecoming Committee Strategic Initiatives – Reviewed status of initiatives
- Homecoming 2022 – Celebrating Red
- Alumni Homecoming King & Queen Selection
 - We had several wonderful entries again this year. Thanks to all for reviewing and selecting.
 - Congrats to John and Marilyn Freese as our 2022 Homecoming Royalty! Moving away from King and Queen language to Royalty to be more inclusive. They will be recognized at the Alumni Day Luncheon on Friday, Oct. 15.
- Campus Decorating Contest Judging, Friday, Oct. 7
 - 22 Entries (2 non-competing), 5 newcomers – deadline is Wednesday, Oct. 5 at noon
 - Take photos as we move around
 - Judging – volunteers
 - Alumni Engagement Student Intern – Erica Walker
 - Stacy and 2-3 more (local or on-campus alum; faculty/staff member?)
 - Remember we restructured awards for more 1st place opportunities in a previous meeting. All first place will get \$40 prize. Winners announced on Oct. 10 via website and twitter.
 - Best ISU Spirit
 - Most Original Use of Homecoming Theme
 - Most Humorous
 - Best Use of Reggie
 - Best Newcomer
- Organize Parade Tossing Items
 - Blowing up footballs – helped needed at anytime
 - Loading after Alumni Day Luncheon on Friday, Oct. 14
- Continuing the event for Regional Network Alumni Representatives and Board Members
 - Friday, Oct. 14 at Keg Grove Brewery from 4-5:30pm
 - Outlook Invite to Homecoming Committee and Board for numbers
- Tram Decorating and Parade
 - Saturday, Oct. 15 - 9:15am
 - Only committee members, alumni board, and past board members on tram (others can walk along)
 - Invite Regional Network Reps to walk
 - Half-Century participants will be at the end of the parade – save a few items for the end
 - Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet
- Tent Decorating, Food, Entertainment, Etc.
 - Saturday, Oct. 15 – 8:00 – 9:00am
 - Quick cover table covers
 - Table set-up – coordinate with Juliana
 - Layout
 - Food and Drinks in Back – Feedback from last year
 - Student Affairs will be sharing our tent – providing drink ticket to alum of SA
 - Map of Tent Zone will be available

- Maybe have some small paper copies?
 - WZND, trivia, and prizes will be a part of the tent activities
 - Table tents again to get info out about scholarship donation with QR code and Royalty, Awards, etc.
 - Tables RSVP'd for Half-Century (2) and Regional Reps
 - Table for Spirit Pack distribution – Annual Giving
- Tent Coverage
 - Greeters, Check-in, Etc.
 - QR code for check-in via cell phone; not using iPads; these will hang
 - Redbird Prime interest will be gathered at check-in
 - Gondola volunteer will be added
 - Logistics volunteer to text people 15 min. prior to shift
 - Board members to visit tents of affinity groups to encourage participation, Royalty, awards, and knowledge of scholarship
 - President Kinzy remarks at 12:45; BRMM around 12:20 (TBD)
 - Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet
- Tent Clean-Up and Help Getting Supplies Back to Alumni Center
 - Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet
- Post Homecoming email and survey again
- All homecoming activities: <https://homecoming.illinoisstate.edu/>

Illinois State University Alumni Association
Minutes - Redbird Engagement and Development (RED) Committee Meeting
5:30 pm,
July 18, 2022, via Zoom

- Minutes? – Matthew will continue this month, open to others jumping in after this month!
- Network/Affinity updates and upcoming events
 - Dallas is working on planning Cowboys/Bears tailgate
 - Bloomington area working on connecting more work with the city to Redbirds in the area
 - Suburban continues to plan civic engagement work. Paramount Theatre show will continue in January 2023 with the Sound of Music.
- Redbird Table Talk updates (Matthew)
 - Potential dates are October 26th/27th, and November 2nd/3rd. 6-7pm start time. Once dates are confirmed, we will invite guests from there
- Lunch with Legislators (Stephanie) – September 16th
 - Respond to Kris via email if you are available to attend.
- Redbird Move-in volunteers (Stephanie) (August 15th-21st)
 - If you have the capacity to help, please do! Housing is looking for volunteers
 - <https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/UniversityHousingServicesBookingsRegistration@IllinoisStateUniversity.onmicrosoft.com/bookings/>
- Festival ISU – August 30th
 - There will be a sign up shared to the board closer to this event
- Confirm next meeting: Monday, August 15 at 5:30pm
 - Right now, we will keep this time, but confirm with the group closer to the date.

ONGOING: Grow relationship between SAC and AA Board

ONGOING: Board Service project (Sept?)

**Illinois State University Alumni Association Board of Directors
Scholarship Committee**

Committee Agenda - August 17, 2022
5:00 - 6:00 CST

Members: Tyler Clark (Chair), Karyn Aguirre, Sue Grant, Joe McGuire, Danny Mielneczek, Matthew Rillie, Ashley Shannon (alumni volunteer), Leah Walton (Ex-officio)

Staff Support: Lindsay Vahl Dean and Beth Theobald

- Welcome and Introductions
- Purpose of the committee – [reviewing our strategic documents](#)
- September 17, 2022 ISUAA Board Meeting
 - Funds Proposal (Lindsay)
 - Scholarship Recipient Lunch (Tyler)
- Timeline of our work
 - Tuesday, January 3: application opens
 - Friday, February 10: application closes
 - Friday, March 3: SRO provides review list/AE sends to committee
 - Friday, March 10: Review completed by committee
- Cadence of committee meetings
- Scholarship review
 - https://forms.illinoisstate.edu/forms/2023_2024alumniassociationscholarships
- Roundtable

*****Meeting Notes*****

-Send out ask on board meeting in September for scholarship lunch

-Current Survey: Photo, Bio, major, year in school, hometown, involvement/work at ISU, who in your family is a Redbird

-Send out proposal for numbers of scholarships and budget – informational item at board meeting

-Schedule upcoming committee meetings