

Illinois State University Alumni Association

Board of Directors Meeting

June 11, 2022

9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Hybrid meeting

Alumni Association Mission: To support the University through the knowledge, skills, financial resources, and loyalty of its alumni; to communicate and interpret the University's goals and achievements to others; and to promote a spirit of unity and loyalty among former students and friends.

Attendance : Karyn Aguirre, Lisa Castleman, Tyler Clark, Julia Durnell, Fellicia Foster, Tim Griffin, Dave Horstein, Daniel Jackson, Joe McGuire, Mary McMahan, Danny Mielneczek, Lutitia Mills, Susan Nelson-Brown, Dakota Pawlicki, Scott Preston, Stacy Ramsey, Nikita Richards, Matthew Rillie, Brent Scholl, JD Schurter, Stan Shingles, Steve Smith, Leah Walton

Absent: Christina Fontenelle, Liz Garcia, Alice Spann

Meeting Notes

1. Call to Order

Dave Horstein

- a. Horstein called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

2. ISU Leadership Updates

a. President's Report

President Kinzy

- i. There is a lot of energy and things are happening all over campus today.
- ii. President Kinzy celebrates her one-year anniversary at ISU on July 1.
- iii. This year saw a small dip in total enrollment; however, ISU is staying strong. Enrollment deposits for incoming freshmen look positive.
- iv. College of Engineering approved by both the Board of Trustees and the State of Illinois.
- v. MCN is constructing a state-of-the-art nursing lab. Representative LaHood has stated that his #1 priority is \$4M for the MCN Program.
- vi. Julian Hall has new space and acts as a temporary space for the School of Art.
- vii. The new campus housing project will add 1,200 beds and another dining hall.
- viii. This Fall may be the largest Freshman class in ISU history (we had to stop accepting enrollment deposits).
- ix. Jeanie Barrett was named as new General Counsel.
- x. ISU won the MVC All-Sports Trophy for the 3rd year in a row!

b. Trustees Report

K. Bohn

- i. May 6 meeting - approved the new Master Program.
- ii. Approved \$3M for phase 1 of the College of Engineering and gave details of expenses approved, etc.
- iii. FY23 will have increases in tuition, fees and room & board
- iv. Approved Health insurance costs, etc = no increases.
- v. Approved \$8M towards south campus for Fall 2025 (Housing and dining center at former site of Atkins/Coly and Hamilton/Witt.
- vi. Watterson Towers will have a \$4.35M penthouse upgrade this summer.
- vii. We are issuing bonds for the construction of the new Indoor Practice Facility.
- viii. There will be a \$1.25M campus network upgrade.
- ix. The new Connect Transit contract will represent a 3% increase.
- x. Expressed appreciation for Student Trustee Devin Paoni as she leaves the Board.

c. University Advancement Report

Vickerman

- i. Reviewed fundraising spreadsheet (slide) Went over \$30M for the 3rd time in history! (Our target was \$24M). Established Alumni Engagement Dashboard (new report as of next meeting) - Experiences - Volunteering - Community - Philanthropy. Data will show value of Alumni Engagement. Adding 3 new members to the Foundation Board.

d. Alumni Engagement Report

Kris Harding

- i. Welcome to “almost” new members.
- ii. Discussed ongoing engagement and service impact.
- iii. Went over slide of upcoming events.
- iv. Next week the committee lists will be sent out.
- v. Homecoming is coming - nominate a King/Queen.

e. Alumni Association President’s Report

Dave Horstein

- i. Commencement was 6 ceremonies.
- ii. This year - revised Strategic Plan (went over slide with 4 pillars).
- iii. Next year - pulse check on our priorities.
- iv. Awards Committee - new event date will be April 21, 2023.
- v. Board Development is lining up candidates.
- vi. Thanks for all the support to Kris Harding and her staff. And thanks to Steve Smith for all he did this past year (including revisiting Strategic Plan).

3. ISU Campus Conversations

Center for Civic Engagement

- a. Harriett Steinbach (Asst. Director) & Joshua Crockett (Grad. Asst) discussed “Political Engagement Initiatives” and explained types of Civic Engagement available at ISU.

- b. Discussed the “Deliberative Dialogues” Program for diverse perspective and showed slide listing number of participants in semester Spring 2020 - Spring 2022.
- c. Discussed advocacy through lobbying.
- d. Upcoming Election Day - trying to encourage all 20,000 ISU students to vote. Slide showing data of ISU voting over last 2 Presidential Year Elections. Including registration rates and voting rates.
- e. Listed involvement opportunities that will be available for the elections.

4. Consent Agenda (Action Items)

- a. Griffin moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mielneczek seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

5. Continuing Business

Dave Horstein

- a. Steve Smith reviewed Constitution revisions. Discussed proposed changes.

6. New Business

Dave Horstein

- a. Motion to suspend ISUAA Constitution Article VI, Section 1 (On campus requirement for election of directors) was made by Preston, seconded by Aguirre - passed unanimously.
- b. Motion to suspend ISUAA Constitution Article IV, Section 3 (Board of Directors serve a three-year term and may be reelected to serve up to three additional three-year consecutive terms) was made by Griffin, seconded by Foster - passed unanimously.

7. Committee/Liaison Updates

- a. Written reports provided in meeting packet.

8. Adjournment

Dave Horstein

McGuire moved to adjourn. Seconded by Castleman. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:56 a.m.