MWCC Alumni Network Monthly Meeting – November 5, 2018

PRESENT:
• President - Mark Geoffroy
• Vice President - Lawrence Nfor
• Secretary - Briana Nobrega
• Board Member – Philip DeCharles
• Board Member - Marianne Geoffroy
• Board Member – Kathy Matson
• Board Member – Amanda Melanson

ABSENT:
• Board Member - Amanda Curtis
• Treasurer - Karen Greenwood
• Board Member – John Day
• Board Member – Caitlin King
• Board Member - Stacey LaPlante
• Board Member - Phillip Stan
• Alumni Liaison - Karl Hakkarainen
• Alumni Liaison - Joanne Davidson
• Alumni Liaison - Carrie DeCosta
• Alumni Liaison - Renee Eldredge
• Alumni Liaison - Elizabeth Reiser

Discussion

1. Minutes from Previous Meeting
   • Reached quorum, approved.

2. Scary Karaoke/Pumpkin Update
   • This year was the biggest year ever for Scary Karaoke
   • For future planning: it’s always the Thursday before Halloween.
   • Pumpkin donation went well, but tags didn’t all stay on, some of the pumpkins didn’t have stems

3. Bank Account Update
   • Mark heard from Carla that the account is setup but the bank needs the names of those who will need access (Karen and Mark)
   • They will likely need to go to the bank to sign paperwork
   • ACTION ITEM: Mark to follow up with Karen via email to let her know. They will each need to contact Carla to setup a time to go sign the paperwork.

4. By-Laws
   • All approved.
   • ACTION ITEM: Briana to publish by-laws on the website.

5. Welcome Email
   • Is ready to go.
   • MOTION (Amanda M.): Send the welcome email. Seconded by Marianne. All in favor.
   • ACTION ITEM: Briana to send welcome email to 2018 grads.
6. Winterfest

- Event that happens every year at MWCC. Student clubs/organizations decorate wreaths which are raffled off. Departments put together raffle baskets. Money raised goes to the Student Emergency Loan Fund.
- Board discussed how we could participate: we could do a raffle basket or we could join the clubs/organizations wreath raffle and decorate a wreath. We opted to do a wreath.
- **MOTION (Marianne):** Alumni Network Board to submit a wreath to the wreath raffle, collect money at the next meeting from board members so Kathy can buy up to $100 in gift cards and Bri to decorate the wreath. Amanda M. seconded. All in favor.
- **ACTION ITEM:** Kathy to get Bri the wreath and any Alumni branded goodies we have in storage.
- **ACTION ITEM:** Bri to decorate wreath and bring to next meeting.
- **ACTION ITEM:** All board members to bring monetary donations to next meeting.
- **ACTION ITEM:** Kathy to purchase gift cards with money collected at the next meeting.

7. Student Organization Support

- Revisited the conversation of who we can support in regard to existing student groups
- It’s easiest to support those who are already doing something. For example, the Veterans and Human Services club are participating in Wreaths Across America, which we could join in on something like that. The Hiking club helps clean up trails in the spring, we could easily join in on that. Etc.
- Marianne would like to somehow support the Food Pantry in the spring when donations tend to slow down from after the holidays.

8. 100 Days Until Graduation Project

- Idea was brought up to sponsor one thing per week for graduates 100 days from graduation all the way to the day-of. Things like a pizza party, Alumni Café talks, etc. Everyone was interested in discussing more.
- We should take a look at the student life calendar to see where we can get involved with things that are already scheduled (regarding graduation AND other events throughout the year).
- **MOTION (Lawrence):** Table this discussion until December meeting when we can spend more time looking at the calendar and planning it out. Amanda seconded. All in favor.

9. Donors/Sponsors
- We need to think about how we can reach out to donors/sponsors once we have some events planned. We will need to specify our goals when reaching out.
- We could possibly send out an email to our list encouraging people to donate and just participate.
- **ACTION ITEM:** Karen to ask Carla about getting a donate button on the website that directly links into our new account.

10. **Adjournment**
- Adjourned at 7:04