

**Knoxville Alumni Meeting  
Meeting Minutes  
January 29, 2024**

**Call to Order**

Julie Herrera called to order the regular meeting of the Knoxville Alumni Association at 5:19 pm, January 29, 2024, at the Knoxville Public Library.

**Roll Call**

Attendees: Julie Herrera-President, Connie Husted, Pennie Sommar, Amy Zoutte, Tom Bailey, Linda Loscher, Danielle Huffine, Brenda Davis, Jennifer Schmidt

Absent: Kevin Stittsworth, Jody Rawlings, Mary Sharp

**Approval of Minutes from December 5, 2023**

Tom made a motion approve the minutes, which was seconded by Julie. No one opposed; motion carried.

**Treasurer Report**

A) Review of Treasurer's report for KAA and SOS submitted by Amy Zoutte. Amy explained transactions on report and how entries for cans list the actual can total from the new vendor. She also finished out the Treasurer's report and explained transfers from KAA to SOS. Jennifer will take over Treasurer responsibility for 2024. Danielle made a motion to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Linda. No one opposed; motion carried.

B) Bills and Donations: Amy gave a check to Julie for Mary regarding the recent 10 books ordered on January 6, 2024. We are making \$4-\$5 on each book. We need to send check to Knoxville Chamber of Commerce for our membership renewal. Discussed taxes and the level that Angie from Don Croghan's office needs to send in documentation to the State of Iowa. Form 990N for \$50,000 or less, anything more needs additional documents. Discussed what to do with past years documents- it should go to storage and not discarded.

Received letter from 2024 Prom Committee for donations to Prom after party. Amy made a motion to donate a flag, a book and \$250 in cash. Jennifer seconded the motion, no one opposed. Motion approved.

Discussion on getting Don Croghan access to our bank account in a "read only" capacity effective retro active to January 1st, 2024. Pennie made a motion with a second from Brenda. No one opposed; motion carried. Amy will get ahold of Don.

C) Julie gave update on class challenge and the Class of '85 won. 1985- \$4,889.06 1965- \$1050.00 1966- \$820.00 1973- \$752.82 1988- \$585.00 Total raised was \$12036.88 This includes the additional \$1600.00 from the Class of '85

## **Old Business**

- A) Can Shed-How's it going? She is picking up whenever we call and getting checks out fairly quick. Amy says that her and Linda can sign up for the cans at 3M. It must be split between those that sign up at 3M. It was discussed that it would be easier for Amy or Linda to get rather than the vendor pick up because of permissions with 3M.
- B) Julie received a Thank You note from Merry-N-County Christmas and passed around.
- C) Bylaws- We reviewed and made changes to the Bylaws, Danielle will type up and bring to next meeting. Need signatures and then she will send in to the Secretary of State's office.

## **SOS**

Mary has an estimate for the booklets needed to proceed with fundraising for SOS. Penny wants approval to order 250 booklets. Amy made a motion to purchase the booklets and was seconded by Tom. No one opposed; motion carried.

Pennie met with Cushmans at the pool building for construction issues. There were some concerns, but overall there didn't seem to be anything that couldn't be fixed. Regarding the roof; it was last replaced in 2008, but will need updated in the near future.

Pennie also met with the State Economic Development Office regarding grant writing. They loved our stadium, but there are things we need to do before we can get any money. We need to get what events would commit to using the facility and how it will be truly used. These include Youth Football, Soccer and Farmers Market.

We had discussion on whether we can use the facility in some way for the upcoming Ragbrai through Knoxville. We discussed having riders go around the track. We also discussed koozies, water with our logo and our new branding of "The Locke".

SOS meeting for the public will be February 8 at 6:00 pm, at the Community of Christ Church on Willetts Drive.

## **New Business**

Scheduled a meeting in March to discuss scholarships applications and to choose 5. We will meet at El Rey Azteca on March 12 at 5:00 pm.

Pennie asked if we still want to continue giving a yellow rose to those that have SOS/KAA set up as memorials when they pass away. Everyone was in favor of continuing this practice. Tom was going to check on getting Metal Yellow Roses through his vendor. It would cost a little more since Pennie pays approximately \$10-\$12 and Tom's would be closer to \$20-\$25, but Tom's would last forever.

Next KAA meeting is scheduled for February 19, 5:15 pm, at the HOF  
Scholarship meeting is scheduled for March 12, 5:00 pm, at El Rey Azteca  
March KAA meeting scheduled for March 26, 5:15 pm, at the HOF

Danielle made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Julie seconded. All in Favor Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm