

**Knoxville Alumni Association
Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2026**

Call to Order

Danielle called to order the regular meeting of the Knoxville Alumni Association at 5:23 p.m., on September 15, 2026 at The Poolhouse.

Roll Call

Attendees: Danielle Huffine-President, Julie Herrera-VP, Mary Sharp-Secretary, Jennifer Schmidt-Treasurer, Brian Hiemstra, Rusty Pearson, and Kylie Carter.

Absentees: Jody Rawlings, Linda Loscher, and Kevin Stittsworth.

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Rusty made a motion to approve and was seconded by Brian. No one opposed; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

We have balance of \$178,029.73 in savings with \$3029.73 to date in interest. Balance in The Locke \$32,247.75 and KAA \$12,242.75

Bills and Donations: Can money received was \$385.45. Camping proceeds were \$1473.35. Concession proceeds from Glo Event were \$364. The Knoxville Community Foundation Scholarship of \$10,000 was received. Online giving donation from Mary Schultz in amount of \$96.80 was received. We paid \$1175.00 to Croghan & Russel for year end tax preparation. \$184.69 was paid to Summit Fire for fire extinguisher inspections. Doak Designs was paid \$4,000 for pool house architectural report and design work. Booster Club Annual Membership of \$100 was approved by board and will be paid.

Brian made a motion to have Dusty Demoss spray for weeds for 2nd time this year for \$2250. Julie Seconded. No one opposed; motion carried.

Dani made a motion to pay Gradient 9 \$266 for Website Hosting fee. Motion seconded by Rusty. No one opposed; motion carried.

Mary made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Julie. No one opposed; motion carried.

New Business

Jennifer started discussion concerning Lifetime and Annual Alumni Memberships data base. Key points were having an accessible updated document and sending out annual renewal letters. Rusty also brought up the need to reach the "non-Facebook" people, as there are many of our Alumni who would do better receiving email or mail. He also noted that a semiannual newsletter could benefit fundraising efforts, by updating Alumni on projects, activities, and plans. A spring newsletter could focus on our scholarship efforts, while a fall newsletter could announce homecoming activities and fundraising efforts for year end potential donors.

Installation of the new doors and windows has begun.

Julie stated After Prom Committee reached out for donations. Consensus of the board was to donate Panther Flags.

Semi-Pro Football reached out to Julie. Southeast Iowa Storm. Discussion to be tabled until next meeting.

Craig Agan has shown interest renting stadium for class reunion next year.

Brian stated we need to look at Snow Removal Bids. Discussion tabled until next meeting.

Special meetings:

Buildings: Kevin, Rusty, and Jennifer met with the Design Team assembled of Phil Doak, design engineer; Architect on Record; and a member of the Engineering Team who would handle the mechanical systems. We have to make a decision on our mechanical system for heating and cooling. Options are modified roof heating and cooling (3 zones), geothermal, and standard furnace and air conditioners. We asked for recommendations. He will come back to us with his recommendations so that we can proceed with proposal for design.

Insurance: Jester Insurance provided summary of September 3rd meeting. She has provided forms and a list of information needed from us in order to get quotes. She wants to make sure that we have adequate coverage. Special concerns are coverage of our Board Members, Commercial Liability, Property/Casualty. We will need to notify our insurance carrier once we have plan in place of change to different carrier. She recommended coordinating change with our Liquor License so we don't have lapses in coverage. Rusty will work on building dimensional details. Dani and Jennifer will meet to work on completing forms. This building will insure a bit differently as it is "in progress"

Homecoming: Clean up of Pool House/Stadium in preparation of Homecoming will be held Monday the 22nd for anyone that can help. Float decorating to be done at Tom Bailey's shop on September 23rd at 3:30. Friday Tailgating will start after parade until 8 p.m. Annual meeting will be held at 5 p.m. Concessions will be available for beverages, hotdogs, walking tacos, and candy.

Next Meetings

Regular KAA meeting: October 13th at 5:15 at The Poolhouse.

Adjourn at 6:46 p.m.