

**West Virginia University Sigma Alpha Alumni
Association Business Meeting
At The Home Of Lisa McCutcheon's Parents - Vandalia, WV
August 24, 2002**

President Lisa McCutcheon called the meeting to order. Those members present were Lisa McCutcheon, Anne Walker, Sara Peacock-Clark, and Christina Reed.

OFFICER REPORTS:

President- Lisa gave a report on Amy Collins. The situation will be resolved soon. Lisa has letters to Amy stating what she needs to do.

Vice President – Monica was absent- Lisa reported that the next meeting will be on November 16th at Mountainlair in bluestone room from 11am-3pm.

Secretary – Member decided that the minutes from the March meeting are to be read and approved or disapproved at the November meeting- Anne will email all the officers with the minutes

Treasurer- Michelle was absent. No report was given.

Historian – Heather was absent. No report was given.

Communications Coordinator – Mandy was absent. No report was given.

Alumni / Active Liaison – Christina reported that the actives have a new president. Her name is Angela Pepe. Actives decided to have their meetings on Monday. Christina attended their last meeting and discussed the Leadership retreat with the active chapter. Some were absent. However, the actives are enthusiastic about retreat. She didn't discuss how many days they were willing to attend but the actives indicated that over night would be fine.

Christina presented fundraising ideas that were proposed by the active chapter. They are seeking alumni's assistance with organizing and working the fundraisers. Chris stated wanted to talk to Natalie Carpenter about doing the steak wagon at the 4-H

round-up in September. We discussed sources for meat, which include Gene walker (Anne's father in-law) and Steve and April Christopher. Lisa stated that the actives may be able to get meat in case of an emergency from a meat house in Rock Cave, in Lewis County. We discussed history of steak wagon sales and actives fundraising problems.

Christina also present another idea that active sister Leslie had brought before the active chapter. Her fiancè owns a used car dealership and is willing to donate a used car to the active chapter to raffle off. Leslie tried to discuss active chapter last semester. She wanted Chris to offer the idea to alumni chapter for a fundraising. We discussed the legal ramifications concerning the car raffle and decided to table the idea until the November meeting.

Christina also presented the fundraising idea of a Car beating fundraising. Leslie's fiancè would also be willing to donate a used car. Lisa stated that the fundraiser would need to be done in conjunction with an university event. We would need place to set up vehicle, and have someone tow it away. We discussed having it on hog roast day.

Christina reported that the active chapter has been talking about participating in Stepping for Aaron. The active Philantropy chairperson wants each person to get sponsors and participate. They are considering other charities that include helping the Monongalia County Junior fair to build a livestock facility. They want to donate time instead of money.

Christina also reported that the actives' rush chair resigned due to low grades. The executive committee followed by-laws concerning her low grades. They are currently looking for a new chair. They have designated two weeks in September for a rush event every other day. The actives had an info booth at the rec center during orientation. They were able to get 15-17 girls to sign up.

Christina read off a list of seniors who graduated in spring 2002. She will get as much contact information as possible. Anne gave her the yellow cards to hand out to graduating seniors this fall and next spring.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dues (Michelle M / Monica / Lisa)- Had no report.

Fundraising (Michelle M / Monica / Lisa / April):

All items from Pampered Chef has been handed out with exception of Michelle Mouser's orders.

Leadership Retreat (Kerri / Michelle PR / Heather):

The group decided that since the active chapter was interested in attending the Leadership Retreat, the November will have to focus on planning the retreat. Christina suggested that alumni need to choose dates for retreat to give actives options.

Recruitment (Anne / Monica / Chris / Mandy):

Amanda sent membership forms with newsletter in July. Anne asked to have interested alumni contact her and she will send out a new membership form to them. Annual mailing packets will hopefully by September 1.

Scholarship (Michelle PR/Heather/Lisa):

Lisa stated the during the March meeting the committee discussed revamping the application. Lisa passed out the new form from the National Board. Anne stated that she served on the National Scholarship Committee and had actually done the revamping on the new Alumni Scholarship Form. Lisa stated that we will use the National's form if another can't be revamped in time for distribution.

Social (Michelle M / April / Lisa): The committee no report

OLD BUSINESS:

National Convention and Board Activity: Lisa discussed a mailing from the National Board that outlined changes that will be done at the National Convention in October.

NEW BUSINESS

Website for Chi Chapter Alumni: Anne discussed developing a website for alumni chapter. She read off the different pages of the website and asked for suggestions from the members present.

Meeting Flyer: Anne will send out meeting flyer with fall packets that will give the details of the November Business Meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Meeting will be on November 16, 2002 at the Mountainlair in Morgantown. We have reserved the Bluestone Room from 11am-3pm.

Lisa called meeting to a close.