

ST. PAUL HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 17, 2007

President Suzy Harrison welcomed our special guest, Wise County Circuit Court Clerk Jack Kennedy, and SPSHS student representative Drew Mullins.

I ADMINISTRATION

- President Suzy Harrison called the meeting to order.
- The group approved the agenda on a motion by Judy Abbott, who asked to move guest speakers from the conclusion of the meeting to the Planning and Development section. Debbie Baca seconded the motion, and it was approved.
- Judy Abbott moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Gloria Annarelli seconded the motion, and it was approved.
- The Treasurers Report was given by Chub Crowder for Benny Crowder. Kyle Fletcher moved that the report be accepted. Judy Abbott seconded the motion, and it was approved.

II PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

- Jack Kennedy spoke about the County's Geographic Information System. It is a program that shows the locations of homes, etc., in our area. He received a \$500,000 grant from NASA for the program. Students work on this online through MECC, complete a project, and receive web-based instruction. It is a tremendous benefit to our community. Students have a GIS day at local schools where they can find their own home and play hide and seek online. This is usually done through science classes. Ten local students, ages 16 - 30, participate in this project. They come from Wise, Dickenson, and Scott counties. He mentioned that they are working on having a free public infrastructure for WiFi and a cell tower for St. Paul. He said "St. Paul High School is the best school in Wise County. I will do everything in my power to keep St. Paul High School open." He added "I am against consolidation."
- Suzy Harrison said we have our State Corporation Commission credentials
- The appointment of new committees is tabled until the next meeting on a motion by Kyle Fletcher, seconded by Allyson Sutherland. Johnny Jones mentioned that we need a new budget. (The budget committee should consist of Benny Crowder, chairman; Johnny Jones; Chub Crowder; and Suzy Harrison.)
- Gloria Annarelli reported on the website. She showed what needed to be completed as well as updates that have been made. She asked for a biography from each board member that has not yet submitted one. Johnny Jones said he believes the bylaws should be added to the website. Allyson Sutherland moved to add the bylaws, but no committee or treasurer reports. Judy Abbott seconded the motion, which passed.
- The representative from St. Paul High School, student Drew Mullins, provided an update on activities, including Homecoming and School News. He said the school has a student of the week, an athlete of the week, and a student of the month. He said that James Beazley from Dominion Resources gave \$3,200 to the school. Juniors and seniors are providing tutoring in math and science for an elective credit. Each gets paid \$200 per semester. The Bolivia trip was funded by AEP and Dominion. Drew Mullins is the state corresponding secretary for FBLA, and A. J. Delauder is the state FBLA president.
- Concerning the School Board election and Consolidation issues, Kyle Fletcher was complimented on his public speaking efforts. Members discussed making anti-consolidation fliers and putting an ad in The Coalfield Progress.

III ITEMS OF GENERAL INFORMATION

- The next board meeting was scheduled for January 21, 2008, at 6:00 p.m.

#### IV CONCLUSION

- There was no Old Business
- There was no New Business
- In the absence of further business, the meeting was adjourned.

SUBMITTED BY MARY PEYTON GREGORY