

Central High School Alumni Association  
Minutes of Annual Meeting on April 23, 2019  
Held at Central High School

- **Meeting was called to order by President Deb Cockfield at 4:35 pm.**  
In attendance were: Deb Cockfield, Ann Marie Richmond, Gene Richmond, Paul O'Brien, Jayne O'Brien, Don Bianco, Ron Tella, Steve Bianchi, Paul Dolan, Elaine Colanieri, Gail Davis and Deb Nelson Bush.
- **Secretary's Report:**  
The secretary's report for the March meeting was accepted.
- **Treasurer's Report:**  
Treasurer Jayne O'Brien noted the following: the general fund had a beginning balance of \$254.39. Expenses were \$55.00 (Sal Masiello - stamps) leaving a balance of \$199.39. The Grant Fund had a beginning balance of \$4,676.29 with expenses of \$439.00 (New Urban Arts - Tracy Jacques) leaving a balance of \$4237.29. The Scholarship Fund had a beginning balance of \$12,161.22, with expenses of \$15.08 (Gateway) and \$4.18 (merchant fee) receipts of \$50.00 leaving a balance of \$12,191.96. The Athletic Hall of Fame had a beginning balance of \$1,812.94 with deposits of \$2,727.57 leaving a balance of \$4,540.51 Total account balance in Washington Trust is \$21,169.15 To date the Scholarship drive has received \$2,206.00 and the AHOF Ticket sale is at \$1,895.00 with ad sales of \$1,485.00 The report was accepted.
- **Committee Reports:**
  1. AHOF: Discussion started for AHOF event, plaques, ads, design work, certificates all being done. Don Bianco asked how the event was being promoted. A blast of emails was being sent out again. Question was asked if athletic directors from the past had been contacted. Eugene and Anna Marie Richmond are going to contact Ray Gemma as they see him often. The next AHOF meeting is on May 1, 2019 at 5:30.
- **Unfinished Business:**

Comedy Show: It was brought up if everyone was willing to do again at same venue. Consensus was good. Don Bianco reported that he had called Mike Murray, but had not heard back from him as of yet.

Paul O'Brien suggested we also do the homecoming event in the fall which was good. It was noted that we need more fundraising trips and we need to find out costs before being brought to the table.
- **New Business:**
  1. Steve Bianchi noted that there were no candidates for Vice President. Jayne O'Brien has agreed to run for the treasurer position again, she was elected unanimously.
  2. Tabled for further discussion was the Class of 1974 who apparently do quite a bit of donating because they have such an active alumni of 1974.

3. A very lengthy discussion on scholarships in that the By-laws should be changed for named scholarships and be available to anyone who wants to donate any amount and not be refused if they refuse to give two years in a row. May 1<sup>st</sup> is the cutoff for scholarship applications, but right now not enough money coming in.
4. Paul O'Brien noted that an athlete from many years ago needs a ride to the AHOF event. He is in a nursing home and is wheel chair bound. Asked if we could pay for transportation. Jayne O'Brien agreed to look into it.
5. Jayne O'Brien brought up a grant request that her and Sal had received. She gave everyone the link to go on line and look at it. Further discussion at next meeting.
6. Due to the unavailability of Paul and Jayne O'Brien to attend future meetings at 4:30 pm, it was decided to start future meetings at 5:30 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 pm.