

Central High School Alumni Association
Minutes of Meeting of June 8, 2021
Both Live and Zoom
Held at Home of Anna Marie & Gene Richmond

- **Meeting was called to order by President Cockfield at 5:35**
In attendance were: Sal Masiello, Deb Cockfield, Jayne O'Brien, Paul Dolan, Lyle Perra, G. Gail Davis, Steve Bianchi, Anna Marie Richmond, Gene Richmond, Deb Bush, Dan D'Alesio, Paul O'Brien, Ann Marie Rathbun (Zoom), Elaine Whited (Zoom) and Jennifer Wright (Zoom).
- **Secretary Report:**
The minutes of the May 11th meeting were read and approved on a motion by Paul O'Brien, seconded by Paul Dolan.
- **Treasurer's Report:**
Treasurer Jayne O'Brien noted the following. The General Fund started with a balance of \$551.51, expenses were \$300.00 (Price Rite gift cards) and \$22.00 (Jayne O'Brien, annual report to state), leaving a balance as of 6/8/21 of \$229.51. There was no activity in the Grant Fund, leaving a starting and ending balance of \$3,951.93. The Athletic Hall of Fame started with a balance of \$3,229.76 with expenses of \$250.00 (Ralph's Catering, banquet deposit), leaving of balance as of 6/8/21 of \$2,979.76). There was no activity in the Scholarship Fund leaving a beginning and ending balance of \$15,832.94. The total balance in the Washington Trust Account is \$22,994.14. The report was accepted on a motion by Sal Masiello, seconded by Lyle Perra.
- **Hall of Fame Committee Update:**
Chairman Steve Bianchi noted that deposit for the Banquet has been paid. It will be held at Prata Hall in Cranston on October 22, 2021, starting at 6:30pm. There has been no progress with respect to the hanging of the 2019 plaques. There is a question as to who would do the work, having had a gym teacher volunteer, but was told the union had to do the work. One of the office secretaries said the union did not have to do the job. Deb Cockfield said she would look into the problem.
Deb Cockfield reminded Steve that all notices, etc. coming from the HOF committee should be put through the secretary, Paul O'Brien so that nothing is accidentally overlooked.
- **Communications Committee:**
Chairwoman Elaine Whited noted that she had no new report today.

▪ **Scholarship:**

Deb Cockfield noted that four \$1,000 scholarships have been awarded to the following students:

1. Joe Soberanis - RIC
2. Tania Polano - URI
3. Alidia Vasquez-Lopez - CCRI
4. Arlene Sosa-Rodrigues - RIC

A question was asked regarding who were the members of the scholarship committee. Deb Cockfield noted that the committee members are Jayne O'Brien, Elaine Whited, Deb Cockfield, Paul Dolan and Deb Bush.

▪ **Unfinished Business:**

President Deb Cockfield made note of who the members are of various committees .

Scholarship Committee: Jayne O'Brien, Elaine Whited, Deb Cockfield, Paul Dolan and Deb Bush.

Hall Of Fame Committee: Steve Bianchi, Paul O'Brien, Gail Davis, Deb Bush, Dan D'Alessio, Lyle Perra, Robert Nance, Tony DeMizio, Tom Howarth, Paul Dolan, Ann Marie Richmond, Kevin Varella, School Athletic Director, and the school Principal.

Event Planning Committee: (new committee) Anna Marie Richmond, Ann Marie Rathbun, Jayne O'Brien, Deb Cockfield, Elaine Whited.

By Laws Committee: Deb Cockfield, Dan D'Alessio, Jayne O'Brien, Sal Masiello, Paul O'Brien, Deb Bush, Lyle Perra

Communication Committee: Elaine Whited, Deb Cockfield, Steve Bianchi, Jayne O'Brien

▪ **New Business:**

1. There was a great deal of discussion regarding the HOF criteria. It was noted eventually, that we needed to follow the current By-Laws as suggested changes to them had not been finalized and voted upon. It was decided that the first vote taken on the nominees would be used in order to not break these By-laws.
2. It was noted that Central will be celebrating it's 100th anniversary this year. Members felt that we should have Zoom meetings during the summer to help plan events for this milestone, including a possible Alumni Weekend.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02pm on a motion by Sal Masiello, seconded by Ann Marie Richmond.