

ND SENIOR ALUMNI WINTER BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SQUAW PEAK HILTON
PHOENIX, ARIZONA
JANUARY 26-28, 2006

Present:

Dick Griffin, Chairman
Jim Barry, Vice Chairman
Tom Loosbrock, Immediate Past Chairman
John Studebaker, Region 2
John Hargrove, Region 3
George Koch, Region 7
Mike Pinter, Region 8
Bob King, Region 11
Mike Squyres, Region 12
Bill Kreps, Region 13
George Harvey, Region 14
Jo Ann Harvey, Region 14
Marty Gleason, Region 16
Paul Scagliarini, Region 17
Mike Neumeister, Region 18
Paul Geary, Former Board Member
Jerry Toomey, Former Board Member

Absent:

Arnie Testa, Region 1
Dan Merritt, Region 4
Paul Reinert, Region 5
Phil Roehrig, (new), Region 6
Jim Slattery, Region 10
Pete Campbell, Region 15
John Michie, Region 16

During the morning of Thursday, January 26, the Executive Committee met to discuss various NDSA matters and to review and finalize the Winter Board Meeting Agenda. A group of the Directors enjoyed golf that afternoon, and the Board members and their spouses gathered for dinner that evening at the hotel restaurant.

The initial NDSA general session was held from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon on Friday, January 27. Mike Neumeister opened the meeting with a prayer. Chairman Griffin welcomed all members of the Board and reviewed the agenda.

The following matters were then addressed by Chairman Griffin and discussed by the Directors:

1. The current status of the Alumni Association office reorganization.
2. Father Jenkins' stance on the issue of Catholicity/Academic Freedom. Copies of his recent speech were distributed to the Directors.
3. All Directors will be attending the Notre Dame Club of Phoenix Universal Notre Dame Night on January 27th to hear Father Jenkins' remarks.
4. Welcome to former Directors Paul Geary and Jerry Toomey.
5. NDSA policies and procedures were reviewed:
 - a. Communications with the Alumni Association Office should originate through Peter Lombardo.
 - b. Except for contact with a Director's AA Regional Director, all communications with the Alumni Association Board of Directors should go through Jim Keegan.
 - c. New program initiative procedures were distributed to the Directors.
6. A comprehensive job description for NDSA Directors has been developed.
7. With regard to the NDSA budget, there currently is none, and the fund originally set aside for NDSA has now been exhausted. Chairman Griffin will contact Chuck Lennon and Chris Bellairs and request that the Alumni Association:
 - a. Pay the expenses of the NDSA Directors for the Fall Meeting.
 - b. Request that the sum of \$10,000.00 be included in the Alumni Association budget for NDSA initiatives and miscellaneous expenses.
 - c. Pay for Peter Lombardo to attend the NDSA Winter Meeting.
8. Review of the NDSA give back initiative regarding student mentoring for Alumni Clubs. Specifically, the model which has been developed was reviewed with the Directors. This matter will be covered with all of the Alumni Clubs at the Spring Senate Meeting.

9. Peter Lombardo will be sending each Director a CD with the Annual Reports for all clubs in his or her region. Further, Chairman Griffin will ask Peter Lombardo to advise all Directors how to access Annual Reports for all clubs – everywhere – and how to get email addresses for senior alumni in each region.

Regional reports were then given for the regions listed below by the Directors listed below:

Region 2 - John Studebaker
Region 3 - John Hargrove
Region 7 - George Koch
Region 8 - Mike Pinter
Region 11 – Bob King
Region 12 - Mike Squyres
Region 13 - Bill Kreps
Region 14 - George and Jo Ann Harvey
Region 16 - Marty Gleason
Region 17 - Paul Scagliarini
Region 18 - Mike Neumeister

A discussion was held regarding how to support the Alumni Clubs with the promotion of NDSA initiatives and programs. Chairman Griffin recommended that each Director intensify his/her personal club contact, and check with his/her classmates to help other NDSA Directors find NDSA reps for clubs in their regions.

It was discussed whether the title “NDSA Representative” should be changed to “Senior Alumni Coordinator”.

It was pointed out that some seniors have now been edged out of their clubs, that a number of clubs now have an NDSA structure but need initiatives, and that in connection with our NDSA initiatives quality is much more important than quantity.

The Directors and their spouses attended the Notre Dame Club of Phoenix Universal Notre Dame Night Friday evening.

The second NDSA General Session was held from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon on Saturday, January 28. Bill Kreps opened the meeting with a prayer.

The following matters were then addressed by Chairman Griffin and discussed by the Directors:

1. Chairman Griffin’s January 27 telephone conversation with Peter Lombardo regarding the recent NDAA Board meeting:

- a. Melanie Rhodes will become the Visitor Center receptionist, but will continue to support NDSA.
- b. Noreen Keating will receive the Alumni Association's Putz Award at the Spring Meeting.
- c. There have been no new Senior Director hires in the Alumni Association office.
- d. Father Jenkins gave the Alumni Board the same speech he gave the faculty and students which was favorably received with some constructive comments.
- e. Jim Keegan gave the Alumni Board an excellent report on NDSA.
- f. Nothing has been done yet regarding the Give Back Program.

2. The NDSA Spring Board Meeting will be held April 26-29 on campus. The spring football game is not that weekend. Chairman Griffin will attempt to get rooms for NDSA Directors at the Morris Inn. NDSA will conduct a workshop at the Senate Meeting, hopefully featuring Father Hesburgh whom Peter Lombardo will contact, on the PACE, Student Mentoring and Corporate Volunteers programs, and perhaps the Hospital Ministry program. George Koch will attempt to get on the Senior Class Officers meeting agenda to plug NDSA programs.

3. Chairman Griffin will arrange for NDSA to present a seminar during Reunion Weekend featuring Directors Griffin, Campbell and Roehrig.

4. The 2007 NDSA Winter Meeting will be held on January 19 and 20 which will not conflict with the NDAA Winter Meeting so that Jim Keegan and Peter Lombardo can attend the NDSA meeting. Several locations were discussed, and Directors interested in hosting or planning the meeting should submit written proposals to Chairman Griffin by April 1, 2006.

5. The Florida Fling will be held on February 17 and 18 in Naples. Peter Lombardo will be the host and Chairman Griffin plans to go for a day to help him.

6. The following Directors terms will expire on June 30, 2006:

Loosbrock	not renewable
Hargrove	not renewable
Merritt	will renew for 2 years
Koch	will renew for 2 years

Pinter	will renew for 2 years
King	will renew for 2 years
Scagliarini	will renew for 2 years
Studebaker	will renew for 2 years
Gleason	will renew for 2 years
Testa	unsure about renewing
Michie	unsure about renewing

The goal is for NDSA Directors to serve one three-year term, with the terms of six Directors expiring each year. The issue of whether NDSA Director terms should coincide with the NDAA Director term for each Region was discussed. The Board will also seek more diversity. These matters were referred to the Internal Activities Committee.

7. Former NDSA Board members will be notified they are welcome to attend all NDSA meetings at their own expense. A second List Serve for former Directors will be created and minute summaries and other materials will be distributed to them.

8. The NDSA Fall Meeting will be held on campus on October 1-3, following the Purdue game.

Bob King has been working with Karen Anthony to improve the Alumni travel programs. He distributed a survey on the subject.

Committee reports were then given for the Committees listed below by the Directors listed below:

Alumni Network Programming	Paul Scagliarini
Classes	George Koch
Clubs	Mike Squyres
Communications and Public Relations	George Harvey
God, Country, Notre Dame	John Hargrove
Internal Activities	Marty Gleason

Former Directors Geary and Toomey made brief remarks.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously approved that the title “NDSA Representative” be changed to “Senior Alumni Coordinator”.

A further discussion was held concerning the NDSA budget.

The Executive Committee met from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday afternoon to discuss and follow up on the matters which came before the Board at its meeting.

A number of the Directors and their spouses attended 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday at the hotel celebrated by Father Joe O'Donnell, C.S.C, Notre Dame '55, who joined them for dinner that evening.

Respectfully Submitted,

James T. Barry, Jr.
Vice Chairman