

**NDSA CHAIRMAN REPORT
MONTH: APRIL 2008**

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To: NDSA Board Members

NDSA Executive Committee

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From: Paul Scagliarini

The purpose this report is to communicate Executive Committee decisions and highlight activities. Please be advised of the following:

A. Current Month Activities –

1. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE –

- **The Executive Committee and the entire NDSA Board welcomes Tom Loosbrock as our newly elected NDAA Senior Alumni Director. Tom has served Notre Dame and NDSA for several years and was the NDSA Chairman for two years. We look forward to Tom’s contributions during his term.**

- **We continued working on the April Senate meeting administrative items with the Alumni Association. Waiting on a couple of final administrative items before sending out the meeting agenda. As of this writing we will have all but two NDSA Directors in attendance.**

- **We continue to oversee the development of the Hospital Program towards an April (Senate) toll free number kickoff. A primary effort was made in registering club contact individuals. A new Hospital program brochure and wallet information card is being printed for distribution at Senate.**

- **Developed a “talking point” document for NDSA Directors to use in their NDAA Senate Regional meeting. Will be an agenda item for Thursday morning 4/24/08.**

2. NDSA COMMITTEES –

- **The IA Committee working with the Executive Committee completed revised bylaw wording on the process to be used by NDSA in the replacement of Directors. This revision will be presented at the April Senate meeting for Board approval.**
- **The IA Committee is working on a revised new Director Orientation presentation to be presented on Thursday 4/24/08 to the six incoming Directors**
- **The Alumni Network Committee has held several conference calls which included the Alumni Office, Support Volunteer Pete Campbell and the NDSA Chair in preparing for the 2008 Senate. A recap of the Hospital Program will be an agenda item for Thursday morning 4/24/08.**

3. ALUMNI OFFICE –

- **The Alumni Association continues to be the primary contact with the hospital program answering service and the administrative departments at Notre Dame. They are working through all the administrative items to have a toll free number available for senate.**
- **Melonie Rhodes has been working on the Senate meeting arrangements and we are almost completed. We are only waiting on specific meeting room assignments in McKenna.**

4. INITIATIVES

- **The major thrust this month is on the Hospital program, aiming at the Senate meeting.**
- **An opportunity to expand our PACE (Prostate Awareness Cancer Education) initiative has been presented to us through Dick Nussbaum, Chairman of the NDAA Board. We are currently looking into supporting a national prostate cancer education group called “Bat for the Cure” who has prostate cancer information nights in minor league baseball parks throughout the country during the summer**

months. Currently we are contacting ND clubs in specific cities already committed to having a night to see if the local club can provide some volunteers to help.

5. BUDGET

- **The upcoming Senate meeting and all that it entails this year with the roll out of the Hospital program will be our largest single activity expense item in the budget. Two things have become evident to me as this is the first time NDSA is trying to manage the budget process for this meeting: 1. trying to estimate the projected costs is extremely difficult and 2. It will be very critical for ALL NDSA Directors to submit their 2008 Senate expenses no later than May 2, 2008.**

6. NDSA web page: www.ndsenioralumni.org

- **Work has been done in revising material on the Hospital program on the web page. Our goal is to have all the informational material (still being developed as of this writing) on the Hospital program provided at Senate available on the web page as well.**

6. Other Items: None

8. REMINDERS:

- **One major beneficial change this year is the presentation of the Fr. Putz award. This year it will be presented at the Friday night (4/25) Alumni Association awards dinner, rather than at a separate luncheon. All NDSA Directors should be in attendance at this dinner.**
- **The NDSA Senate meeting begins with a social dinner on Wednesday night 4/23/08.**
- **On Thursday and Friday we interweave our NDSA meetings and the Alumni Association Senate meeting, so it is busy, but a very productive time.**

**Paul Scagliarini
NDSA Chairman**