

Benson Polytechnic High School Alumni Association Annual Meeting – Draft



Date: Nov 13, 2023
Starting Time: 6:16 pm
Ending Time: 6:41 pm
Virtual meeting

ATTENDEES:

Virtual: Gerry Ochs (GO); Mike Landstrom (ML); Jeff Strachan (JS); Rachael Kuryunny (RK); Rob Johns (RJ); Josh Piper (JP); Roger Edwards (RE); Thomas Smith (TS); Bobbie (Rob) Walker (BW); Bob Trimble (BT); Dale Bajema (DB); Maj Britt (Max) Baker (MB)

Guests: Dan Malone (DM); Kevin Clark (KC), Chuck Heil (CH)

ABSENT: Dave Hutchins (DH)

Additional GUEST: Neal Galash (former board member); Allen Pemberton, 1964, drafting; Ian Baldwin, 2022, construction.

BUSINESS

- Introduction of guests.
- Dan Malone, school update:
 - Still on time with rebuild.
 - Some parts are completed, some parts are just gutted.
 - They will start putting machinery in Feb 22, done by June 4. Then furniture will come in.
 - There will be another alumni tour date, Nov 30th, 4PM. Could take about 8 people. Contact Dan: dmalone@pps.net.
 - Current district issues are not affecting the worksite.
 - Alumni room will be filled out in the summer.
 - Half the yearbooks have been digitized and should be done by September 14th.
- RK asked the guests how they heard about the annual meeting.
 - Ian: Email list, and Tech Show.
 - Allen: Saw the email, has followed Benson Tech for a while, attending tech shows. Happy to hear about the rebuild.
 - Neal: Saw the email.
- Board Positions (led by RK):
 - Jeff Strachan was nominated for position 1 by ML. The vote was unanimous.
 - Rob Walker was nominated for position 5 by JP. The vote was unanimous.

- Positions 11 and 14 are 2 year term positions. There were no nominations. Meetings are generally the 2nd Mondays at 5:30, please come and participate.
- At this time there are 3 positions with 2 terms ending Dec 31st, 2023:
 - Position 2: Josh Piper
 - Position 3: Dale Bajema
 - Position 4: Rob Johns
- For those positions it is recommended that they expire, then if willing, we can appoint them into any open positions in January.
- There were no objections.
- Members: 109
- Finances:
 - October numbers:
 - Total current balance: \$4989.85
 - No current obligations for next year.
- Scholarship committee will meet 45 minutes before our next board meeting, hopefully in the auto area and online, December 11th.

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[Note: After the meeting via email, there was this correspondence on November 16th:

- RK: All officer positions were extended in December 2021 by a year (with each now expiring on 12/31/22), and again in October 2022 (with each slated to expire on 12/31/23). As this date is nearly upon us, I believe we do need to hold elections at next month's meeting. All officers except for me are serving their first terms, so holding elections next month shouldn't be too disruptive. However, if there is interest in having me continue to serve as VP, I will need to vacate the position at the year's end. If nobody else expresses interest in the role, the clock has been reset and I could be elected to fill the vacant position in January of 2024.
- JP: The website should now reflect this analysis.]

Respectfully Submitted,

Maj Britt (Max) Baker

Secretary

BPHS Alumni Association

