

## **Benson Polytechnic High School Alumni Association Monthly Board of Directors Meeting – Final**



Date: Mar 13, 2023  
Starting Time: 5:36 pm  
Ending Time: 6:59 pm  
Hybrid meeting (virtual and in-person)

### **ATTENDEES:**

In-person Josh Piper (JP); Dale Bajema (DB); Roger Edwards (RE); Rachael Kuryunny (RK); Rob Johns (RJ); Gerry Ochs (GO); Dale Bajema (DB); Jeff Strachan (JS); Bob Trimble (BT);

Virtual: Thomas Smith (TS); Maj Britt (Max) Baker (MB)

Guests: Khang Tran, class of 02; Dan Malone (DM), Ken Bakke (KB); Kevin Clark (KC)

ABSENT: Dave Hutchins (DH); Bob Walker (BW)

### **BUSINESS**

- RJ:
  - Tech show subcommittee:
    - Steve Curley confirmed alumni will be in the gym and the concession stand will be going. Food trucks will also be there.
    - April planning meeting to come.
- Dan Malone:
  - Building is 1 year and 6 days from completion. In latest pictures there is a completed classroom.
  - Framing, sheet rock, etc.
  - Today spent an hour on where historical items will go. Jet engine in building H. Lathe will go in cafeteria with explanation plaque. Several foundry pieces are going up. Will honor Benson Tech grads who are a part of the project (Anderson/subcontractors).
  - Dan passed around an example from Wilson of the cases where we could display photos, yearbooks etc.:



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- There will be benches produced from the beams from the old construction – out of the school.
- We are on time and within budget.
- Aerial photo pics, decade summaries as discussed before.
- Nickname process moving. 400+ responses so far. Committee will whittle it down to about 5. Vote here:  
<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#search/nickname/FMfcgzGrcrvhcwCfgrwPCMhZzflwVNvZ>
- Boosters update - JS:
  - Concessions for girls/boys basketball this year.
  - Prom committee approached them to ask if they could work concessions to earn money for Prom – they ran it. Looking for \$4500, which would be matched by the school. Account closed at \$6000.
  - DB: How is booster membership?
  - JS: Zoom meeting on Thurs. Losing the two heads this year. Three more coming in, but it's a small group getting a lot done.
  - Ideas for campaigning for Freshman parents next year.
  - Things are anticipated to get more stabilized/centralized when we are back at the Benson Tech building.
- Josh Piper – Member Report
  - Still at 69 paid Alumni Association members to date.
- Financial Report - BT:
  - \$6509.23 in February statement.

- Minutes:
  - A motion was raised by GO, and seconded by RK to accept the January and February minutes as corrected over email. The motion passed.
- Newsletter Update – DB:
  - Adobe Suites software either monthly \$85, or \$600 a year (\$50 a month).
    - Discussion: With 4 newsletters a year, about \$150.
    - **VOTE:** DB moved that we spend up to \$700 to purchase one year of use of software to produce the newsletter. RK seconded. The motion passed.
  - Contributors are on schedule to have articles to Connie on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
  - Copy to printers the Tuesday before Tech Show.
  - How many printed newsletters for Tech Show? RK: we've ended up with extras.
    - DB moved that we authorize up to \$200 to spend printing the newsletter. RK seconded. The motion passed.
- Benson 'business card' to hand out with code for free first year alumni association membership. JS concept, RK design.

Version 1:

Front:



Back:



- Suggestion to add QR code.
- MB had suggested to put it in the graduation packet.
- Discussion ensued about drawing people in vs. keeping people from abusing the code. Conversation piece. LinkedIn presence

needed. Supporting the school while hooking alums to help in their areas of interest. How we are going to help ramp the school back up, industry connections to help. Note that free membership does not come with the bumper sticker.

- Suggested redesign including QR code. Printed by tech show?
- **VOTE:** JS moved that we allow a first-year membership free code. Seconded by RK. Motion passed.
- Bill Mallon, class of 78 (reunion coming this summer) had printed up some decals for us in the past and they sell well. He got a bid for 200 stickers for \$299.00. They are sold at \$5 and sell reliably. We would only have to sell 60 stickers to make up that money.



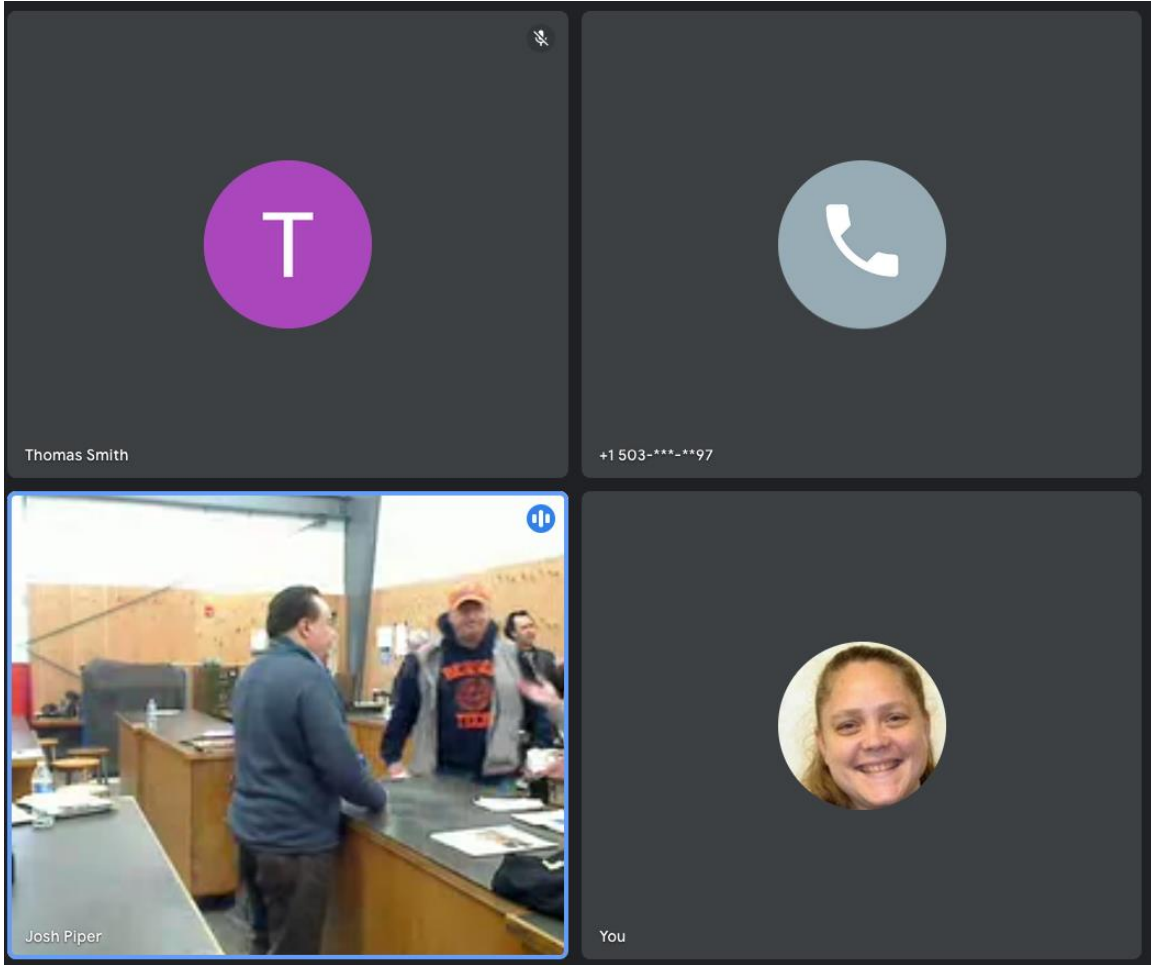
- **VOTE:** RK moves that we have stickers produced for the cost of \$299 for us to sell at future events. JS seconded. Motion passed.

## NEW BUSINESS

- RJ: Suggest we do a walkthrough of the school before April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. The robotics kids could demonstrate what they've been working on.
- KB asked if the alumni association is sending out emails to the entire list. Yes. There was one on 3/9/2023, from [webteam@bensontechalumni.org](mailto:webteam@bensontechalumni.org).
- Tech Show expenses:
  - Discussion: MB will get 4 ½ sheets of cake from Costco, approximately \$20 each. There will be other expenses.
  - BT moved we authorize up to \$500 for Tech Show expenses; JS seconded. Motion passed.
  - BT has the checkbook if anyone needs a check.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maj Britt (Max) Baker  
Secretary  
BPHS Alumni Association



BUSINESS SAVINGS		BEGINNING BALANCE	TOTAL DEPOSITS	TOTAL WITHDRAWALS	ENDING BALANCE	
		\$3,001.99	\$0.07	-\$0.00	\$3,002.06	
BSAV00	YTD DIVIDENDS		YTD DIVIDENDS WITHHELD			
		\$0.15	\$0.00			
<b>Actual Effective Transaction Description</b>					<b>Amount</b>	<b>Balance</b>
02/28	02/28	Dividend Annual Percentage Yield Earned= 0.03% For 28 Days		0.07	3002.06	

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		\$3,356.69	\$150.48	-\$0.00	\$3,507.17	
BFLX00	YTD DIVIDENDS		YTD DIVIDENDS WITHHELD			
		\$0.00	\$0.00			
<b>Actual Effective Transaction Description</b>					<b>Amount</b>	<b>Balance</b>
02/14	02/14	Deposit ACH PAYPAL*TRANSFER		150.48	3507.17	