

Benson Polytechnic High School Alumni Association Monthly Board of Directors Meeting – FINAL



Date: June 10, 2024
Starting Time: 5:30 pm
Ending Time: 7:16 pm
Hybrid meeting

ATTENDEES:

At Benson: Rob Johns (RJ); Josh Piper (JP); Roger Edwards (RE); Thomas Smith (TS); Gerry Ochs (GO); Rachael Kuryunny (RK); Bobbie (Rob) Walker (BW), Jeff Strachan (JS);

Virtual: Maj Britt (Max) Baker (MB); Bob Trimble (BT)

Guests: Dan Malone (DM); Kevin Clark (KC); Dick Spies (DS), former board member; Ken Bakke (KB), former board member

ABSENT: Dave Hutchins (DH); Mike Landstrom (ML); Dale Bajema (DB); Anthony Reimer (AR)

BUSINESS

- Guest introductions:
 - DM:
 - No rain at graduation, which went well.
 - Packers at the school, getting everything ready to move.
 - 4 CTE programs are in carts ready to go. Kids leave this Friday, staff next Tuesday. By that time much will be ready to go.
 - Move out of building mid-July. Dan is in the building M-Th until 3PM usually.
 - Oct 18th 10-10:40AM is the first Pep Assembly, homecoming week.
 - There are 2 tour groups that day – architects/builders group that primarily build educational institutions. Annual conference in Portland.
 - The first women at Benson Tech will be honored.
 - Administrators are back on August 5th.
 - Opening ceremonies Sept 14th.
 - Flier is not ready, but it starts at 10AM, and weather permitting it will start at the front of the building, with dignitaries sitting up top, and seating available.

- RJ will speak, Mr. Wilson will be Master of Ceremonies. Superintendent of PPS, Katie Strobel from Andersen Construction representing Benso Alums who worked on the project, Student Body President.
- Ribbon cutting, then another speaker, Royal Rosarians and then Mrs. Wilson will plant a rosebush.
- Then in the back, food and tours from 11AM – 3PM. Class of 1994 will tour at 2PM.
- Food – he suggests grab and go food, but their focus is on the building. Discussion around food:
 - RK: sandwiches downside is they cost more and we didn't have enough. Class of 74 is coming that day.
 - Discussion around having 2 food trucks there (permits?) at administrative parking lot.
 - RJ: focus on the people that we invite.
 - Concerned about heat, range of ages, etc.
 - Parking- on that Saturday, Concord is letting us use their lot. 15th and Irving. There will be spots marked for VIPs.
- Thanks to the committee.
- Head football coach slot is open again. Last week Brian Corey met with the district and they would not commit to giving him what he was asking for. If the position is not filled there will be no program this year.
 - KC thanked those that donated.
 - DM will find out what happens to that donated money.
- In general, there are 48 parking spots for a staff of 90.
- Re the accident that happened on the construction site:
 - It was an accident. GO and DM were on site that day.
 - Iron workers union has a fund and Andersen Construction has a fund matching donation site.
 - They are deciding how to honor the person who died, according to the family's wishes.
- Sun dial: being restored.
- Class of X benches all have a place designated.
- Dan Malone left the meeting.
- Member report – JP:
 - 90 paid members
- Financial Report – BT:
 - \$3265.26 savings, \$1233.84 in savings.
- Meeting minutes approval
 - May minutes – draft 2 with KC and JP corrections was sent Friday night, there were no other corrections/additions reported.

- BW moved, JS seconded that minutes be approved as amended. Motion passed.
- Newsletter -RE:
 - Sept 14th re-opening dedication is the new target.
 - There will be information on Simon Benson.
 - Discussion about reaching out to Benson's relatives.
- Large poster of Simon Benson – RE
 - Large poster has been printed (it's hanging in the Annex)
 - Discussion of creating a stand, potentially with talk bubble.



- Makes it a face instead of just a name.
- Alumni Room – JP:
 - There is a small room off the library that is the alumni room at Marshall, went through items there with RE.
 - Now waiting to be let in to the building in August, then there will be time spent putting everything together.
- Site Council – KC:
 - End of year review
 - DB was busy, so we'll connect with Kate Leonard after 15th of June to discuss relaunching an aviation program.
 - RK: Cost might be around \$5K
 - Need to discuss partnerships, how to answer PPS concerns, etc. Dual credit through PCC/Clackamas, etc.

- Other discussion around connecting with CTE faculty for health of program – one each month? They can come to us with needs, etc.
- Scholarship Committee - RK:
 - Gave out \$9K. Looked for those with financial need.
 - RK reaches out to the four seniors that received scholarships. Heard back from 2 so far.
 - This week RK will reach out to 2023, 2022 winners as well.
 - Hoping to get enough information to have an article in the September newsletter.
- Boosters – JS:
 - New treasurer. Great group of 5 moms doing a lot for the administration.
 - Teacher appreciation week was great.
 - Social media is going well.
 - Some incoming parents are interested.
 - Thanks to JS for helping to keep the org alive.
- Digitizing Tech Pep – RE:
 - 1921-22 is now digitized.
 - Prices raised from 1.50 to 1.65 per page, but that will be good for the life of the project.
 - 22-23 is in their hands. The size increased from 5-7 columns, and the larger ones have had the edges bent, and are fragile.
- Discussed next meetings (see below) and determined we will continue hybrid meetings, in-person is preferred.
- Mr. Wilson put in orders for Astro gear, bring your CC. BT suggested that there may be school printable gear at the Grand Opening.
- Promoting Benson Tech alumni owned businesses – TS:
 - Alumn contacted the association, she has a cigar company. This made us think about what our role is and whether we should promote alumni owned businesses.
 - Kenton station is another one, of course. Jay's Bike Gallery stores (sold now).
 - Website section with hyperlinks to each business? Great way of supporting other alums, job opportunities, etc.
 - Talked about an email blast/website section soliciting alumn's info about their businesses, purpose etc.
- BT: talked about Benson frying pan:
 - The 1974 Benson frying pan is off the roof of the Elderberry Inn restaurant for roof repairs.
 - The waiter said there will be a Grand reopening after the remodel work is done in August.
 - Said there were going to cook some food in it before putting it back up. Pan is aluminum with paint or epoxy on it.
 - Not sure how well that is going to work. Yuck.



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- JP: Would we want stuff commemorating the re-opening? Sept 2024?
 - Sticker? Mug? Patches? Plaque?
 - Posters? Some site where they could order different things.
 - DS gave his permission to use his drawing on the yearbook cover.
 - RJ will talk to Bassetti about drawings.
 - We will communicate over the summer.

UPCOMING BUSINESS

- Task: Need thank you list for when we move into the new building, for committed partners.
- Skipping July meeting.
- **Next board meeting is:** August 19th at 4:30 school tour (meet in community room – you can see the front entrance from there), normal meeting 5:30 location TBD/hybrid. Technology subgroup meeting after.
- Then Sept 9th right before re-opening ceremony.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maj Britt (Max) Baker
Secretary
BPHS Alumni Association



BUSINESS SAVINGS	BEGINNING BALANCE	TOTAL DEPOSITS	TOTAL WITHDRAWALS	ENDING BALANCE
BSAV00	\$3,265.18	\$0.08	-\$0.00	\$3,265.26
	YTD DIVIDENDS	YTD DIVIDENDS WITHHELD		
	\$0.40	\$0.00		
Actual	Effective	Transaction Description	Amount	Balance
05/31	05/31	Dividend Annual Percentage Yield Earned= 0.03% For 31 Days	0.08	3265.26

TOTAL OVERDRAFT AND RETURNED ITEM FEES		
Fee Type	Total For This Period	Total Year-To-Date
Total Overdraft Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Returned Items	\$0.00	\$0.00

BUSINESS FLEX CHCK	BEGINNING BALANCE	TOTAL DEPOSITS	TOTAL WITHDRAWALS	ENDING BALANCE
BFLX00	\$1,124.91	\$163.93	-\$55.00	\$1,233.84
	YTD DIVIDENDS	YTD DIVIDENDS WITHHELD		
	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Actual	Effective	Transaction Description	Amount	Balance
05/13	05/10	Withdrawal Draft Clearing Check #225 - Withdrawal, Draft Clearing	-55.00	1069.91
05/14	05/14	Deposit ACH PAYPAL*TRANSFER	163.93	1233.84

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CLEARED CHECKS - BUSINESS FLEX CHCK								
CHECK #	DATE PAID	AMOUNT	CHECK #	DATE PAID	AMOUNT	CHECK #	DATE PAID	AMOUNT
225	05/10	55.00						