

**Benson Polytechnic High School Alumni Association
Board of Directors Meeting – Official Minutes**

Date: Thursday, July 14, 2011

Starting Time: 5:40pm Ending Time: 7:45pm

Location: Group Mackenzie

ATTENDEES:

Dale Bajema (DB), Dick Spies (DS), Ken Bakke (KB), Chuck Heil (CH), Neal Galash (NG), Max Baker (MB), Joanne Stainbrook (JS), Josh Piper (JP), Tammy Hite (TH)

MINUTES:

- Finance
 - KB noted the current balance remained at \$2,769.96
- Membership
 - Current membership stands at 134 paid members
- Events
 - Picnic
 - NG and KB to procure food, condiments & supplies per the motion passed via email on 6/29/11
 - DS agreed to return the helium tank Monday following the picnic
 - CH to inquire at his reunion about car show interest at the picnic. If interest is shown, he will contact DB & MB to coordinate
 - Nhi to handle games
 - JP will bring items from storage at 8:30am
 - Kenton Station
 - Next meetup on 7/26
- Annual Report
 - The annual report should reflect the following achievements from the past year: Support/growth of the PTSA, quantity of Alumni Scholarships awarded, creation of Kenton Station event, participation in drafting Benson Application, participation with the Benson House, Tech Show, Picnic, participation in interview committee for new Benson principal
- Communication
 - MB spoke with her neighbor, Anna Griffin, who writes for the Oregonian. While she will be on sabbatical for the next year, she gave MB contact information for her interim replacement, Larry Bingham. MB is in contact with Mr. Bingham about a Benson-related article in the near future.
 - MB contacted Brett Anderson about securing indoor space for the car show during the next Tech Show. He has yet to respond.
 - It was suggested that we request an interview or statement from the new principal for publishing on our website and in our next newsletter.
- Benson House

- Dick to meet with Terry Fancesconi about Benson House design on 7/15
- Dick to meet with Rich Webber on 7/18 about incorporating sustainable building practices and design elements into the Benson House design.
- It was suggested that we attend and possibly participate in advertising the Open House celebration of the completion of the latest Benson House when it occurs.
- Scholarship
 - A motion was made to remove Don LaBarre as a signer and add Joanne Stainbrook as a signer on the Scholarship Fund's US Bank Checking account ending in 9918. The motion passed with 9-0 votes in the affirmative.
- Membership
 - We will offer the usual membership discount where each new member that pays their dues between now and 12/31/2011 will receive BPHSAA membership for the rest of 2011 and all of 2012.
- General Discussion
 - Both the new PTSA president and the President of the Benson Booster Club were invited to the July meeting. Unfortunately, neither could attend. We will continue to invite them to future meetings. It was suggested that we also make an effort to attend their meetings in the near future.
 - We should aid Principal Carol Campbell in building local industry connections by identifying worthwhile contacts internally to be shared with her in the near future.
 - CH will work to convene a meeting with the members of the principle interview panel so that we can brainstorm ideas on how the BPHSAA can support the school over the coming year. It was suggested that we host a breakfast meeting with food and beverages at the school during a teacher planning day this fall.
 - CH will be celebrating his 50th wedding anniversary on 9/24. BOD members are invited with more details to come as the event draws near.
- **Next Meeting: Wednesday 8/31, 5:30pm at Group Mackenzie**