

Adelphi University Parents Association

Minutes of Meeting, June 13, 2005

Board Members Present: Michael Cohen, President; Pat Arbore, Vice President; Paula Hardway, Treasurer; Joyce Serra, Secretary. Four additional parents were in attendance, Neal and Kathy Beekman, Marjorie Guttenplan, and Ron Johnson. Also, Jeremy Marchese, from Student Affairs.

President, Michael Cohen, called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. Minutes of the May 9th meeting were voted on and approved.

Michael Cohen gave Jeremy information on Entertainment Discount books to look into for August Orientation and October Family Weekend.

Ongoing discussion about finding future sponsorship of the PA scholarship and increasing amount of the awards, yet still leaving sufficient funds in "the kitty." Our purpose is to raise funds for the students. A set amount of \$1000 should remain in the till at all times. Sponsorships are good public relations. Michael, Ron, and Pat will be soliciting for sponsors.

Criteria needs to be established for grading future essays and interviewees. Use points and go by the numbers to help the process move more smoothly. For example: 10 points for campus involvement, 30 points for the essay, and 60 points for the interview was suggested.

Give a more substantial amount to the winner. If it is distributed to numerous winners, the value of the scholarship is diminished. If we have an off year financially, then we can have a meeting and change the award amounts as needed. \$750.00 for first prize winner, \$500.00 and \$250.00 for the runners-up for a total allocation of \$1500.00.

The University picked up the tab for the parent event this spring. That won't always happen in the future, so funds are needed for expenses to raise funds as well.

7/13 - 7/15 , 7/18 – 7/20 is Orientation for Freshmen. Matriculation is August 26th. Serve tea and crumpets.

Next PA meeting is Monday, August 8th at 7:30 pm. Board meeting at 7:00 pm.

September meeting is Monday, September 12th at 7:30 pm.

October Annual meeting is Saturday, October 22nd, late afternoon.

Meeting officially adjourned at 8:32 pm.

Discussion followed about success of the recent graduation ceremony held at Nassau Coliseum.