

Adelphi University Parents Association

Minutes of August 16, 2004 Meeting

In Attendance:

Neal Beekman, Michael Cohen, Paula Hardway, Ron Johnson and Jeremy Marchese

Meeting called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Vice President, Mike Cohen who was filling in for President Arline Fasano.

Minutes of June 28, 2004 meeting were read and accepted.

There were no new parents at this evening's meeting, nor were there any guest speakers.

Jeremy Marchese, Assistant to the Dean, represented Dean Kessler's office. He reported that the Parent Handbook had been completed and was sent to print. He also presented the financial report, stating that the current balance, after the 6 additional scholarship checks were sent out, was now \$265.15. Letters were sent to each of the recipients indicating that the increase in their scholarship prize was due to an anonymous donation by a parent.

It was noted that there has been little success thus far in soliciting raffle prizes for Orientation on August 27, 2004. Ron Johnson indicated that there was the possibility of a donation from P.C. Richard and Son, but that this was not definite yet. The cost of raffle tickets was discussed and a price of \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00 was agreed upon.

Mike Cohen, Pat Arbore and Neal Beekman are scheduled to assist with Parent Orientation on the 27th. The need for additional staffing of the day's events was discussed but no additional volunteers were noted.

It was suggested that for the next meeting on September 9th, a discussion take place regarding possible guest speakers for the coming year. Some noted possibilities were representatives from Public Safety, Financial Aid, and the Student Council. A list of nominations for the October election should also be made available at the September meeting.

Paula Hardway expressed a concern that while many ideas are generated at the monthly meetings, often times little action is taken to bring these ideas to fruition. She suggested the possibility of appointing a "director" for whatever project is being proposed and having that person keep in touch with Dean Kessler's office on a regular basis to ensure that steps are being taken to achieve the desired goal.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.