

Minutes for NGRHS Alumni Meeting – Sept. 23, 2007

Present at meeting were: Jonathan Crouse, Kim Mayo, Bill Bruhm, Wendy Looke, Coline MacDonald, Glenn DeMone, Robert Blackadar, Darlene Blackadar, Sylvia MacKay, Shirley Crouse, Gloria Feindel, Alice Silver, Jessica Spidle, Joanne Chaisson, Gary Semone, Erin Silver and Eva Zwicker.

The meeting got under way with Jonathan requesting the minutes of the previous meeting. Wendy moved that the minutes be adopted as read, seconded by Gloria. Motion carried.

Gary Seamone and Eva Zwicker were introduced and welcomed to the committee.

Wendy presented her treasure's report and a copy of such was given to each member. Wendy moved the report be adopted, seconded by Alice. Motion carried.

Glenn gave a brief presentation including:

- 438 students are enrolled at this time.
- 29 teaching staff – 12 are 1st or 2nd year teachers.
- The new Vice-principal, replacing Bill Bruhm (now Principal of New Germany Elementary School), is Steve McGill.
- The new Guidance Councillor is Sharon Catton.
- Two former students have joined the staff this year, Christine DeLong and Catherine Creaser.
- The regular school Newsletter can be seen on the High School website.
- Neptune on Sept. 27th for the school.
- There is a need for a Senior Boys basketball coach for this year.
- The '64-65' graduation picture has arrived in will be placed in Alumni Hall.

A brief discussion took place on getting the word out for previous graduating classes to contribute towards having their grad class-photo done. The approximate cost at this time is between \$150 - \$200.

Wendy and Jonathan discussed the possibility of having memorial donations made to the Alumni Association. It would have to be non-profit certified for the purpose of giving income-tax receipts. Glenn will ask the school board about how we could go about this.

It was decided to put changes and/or additions on the back burner until prior to the 2010 reunion when information could be sent out in a Newsletter or letter related to the reunion. It was moved by Wendy that a committee be formed by 2009 to go over the constitution and make a presentation to the executive and subsequently to this committee. We will try to get a representative from all decades to make up this committee. The motion was seconded by Kim and carried. Volunteering for this committee are Erin, Bill, Shirley, Norma, Glenn, Coline and Eva.

Following a re-hash of what happens to pictures taken each year by the year book staff, Glenn is going to check with Bruce.

Bobby brought up the latest Guppie's Fundraiser and will look into it.

A discussion took place on the role the Elementary school has. Franklin had passed on to Coline his discontent about the fact that there isn't enough done during reunions at the Elementary school. This will definitely be something to keep in mind when planning for the 2010 reunion.

A discussion also took place about having some of the Alumni Committee meetings at the Elementary school. Bill has offered to make that possible and the next scheduled meeting for Feb. 3rd, 2008 will be held at the Elementary School.

There was a discussion on the possibility of a Facebook site for NGRHS Alumni. Merle will be asked to look into this.

We also discussed a possible Newsletter to go out prior to Christmas. A meeting for those interested will be held Oct. 14th at 7pm at NGRHS. There was further discussion about using e-mail for Newsletters. We also discussed having a section in the Newsletter on deaths, marriages, births, contrats, milestones etc. Erin and Jess are going to look into this.

Bobby asked about getting a sheet of plywood so that 2 – 4x4 foot crests can be made for use on July 1st float.

A thank-you card from Jacob Ramey was read. Jacob was the winner of our Alumni Bursary in June.

Bill moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Joanne.