MINUTES OF THE PENN ALUMNI BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2017
COLLEGE HALL, ROOM 200
9:00 – 10:15 AM

Attendees

Howard Adams
Eric Apple
Allan Bell
Dale Bell
Donald Bonk
Belinda Buscher
April Claytor
Gail Spiegel Cohen
Jeff Cohen
Howard Diamond
Shawn Dimantra
Gerard Donahoe
Ralph Easley
Howard Eisen
Lamis Elsawsah
Louis (Tripp) Hornick
Benjamin Huynh
Ted Koutsoubas
John Logtys
Andy Margolis
Patricia Martin
Carol Melb
Dana Michael
Matt O’Malley
Dhananjay Pai
Jerry Riesebach
Steve Roth
Robert Sandler
Greg Suss
Hildegar Toth
John Walters
Linda Whaley

Staff

Elise Betz
Alyssa D’Alconzo
Tara Davies
Lindsay Klinger-O’Donnell
Kelly O’Connor
Sandra Scutt
Nicole Svonavec
Hoopes Wampler
John H. Zeller

Julie Beren Platt, C’79, opened the meeting by thanking everyone for attending the meeting and welcomed everyone back to celebrate Alumni Weekend. Ms. Platt acknowledged current Trustees, Allan Bel, Dhananjay Pai and Patricia Martin. A motion to approve the November 6th Board Meeting minutes was made, seconded and approved.

Penn Alumni Officers

Ms. Platt presented the approval of this years recommended slate of Penn Alumni Officers.

Vice President Governance
Dana Michael, W’82
Vice President Leadership
Dale Bell, MT’81
Vice President Programming
Andrew Rosenthal, C’06
Executive Secretary
Hoopes Wampler, EdD GrEd’13

A motion to approve the Penn Alumni Officers was made, seconded and approved.
Ms. Platt announced the following recommendations for the slate of three alumni to fill the Alumni Trustee positions for a five year term beginning January 1, 2018.

**Adam K. Bernstein, W’85**  
Alberto Ivan Duran, WG’93  
Lynn J. Jerath, W’95

A motion to approve the recommended slate was made, seconded and approved.

**Nominations Committee**

Ms. Platt presented the approval of this years recommended membership of the Penn Alumni Nominations Committee.

Julie Beren Platt, W’79, Chair  
Bonnie Bandeen, C’80, WG’85  
Connie Duckworth, WG’79  
Osagie Imasogie, GL’85  
Ofer Nemirovsky, EE’79, W’79  
Dhananjay Pai, W’83  
Ramanan Raghavendran, ENG’89, W’89, LPS’15  
Ann Nolan Reese, CW’74

A motion to approve the Nominations Committee was made, seconded and approved.

**Alumni Relations Report**

Mr. Wampler welcomed the group. He spoke of the marked growth and success of Alumni Weekend over recent years due in part to amazing volunteers and committees reaching out to their classes. He mentioned upcoming programs such Penn To You with Angela Duckworth in Boston on May 24th, Penn Museum in London on October 10, and on October 14 there will be a launch of the Penn Futures program in Washington, DC, which is a collaborative program between Nursing, the Graduate School of Education and Social Policy and Practice. Engaging Minds is scheduled for December 9th in New York City. Mr. Wampler spoke about the upcoming campaign and noted engagement will very much be part of the campaign and along with partnering with Regional Clubs, there will be various events planned in the regions. The engagement piece will be a great opportunity for Penn as it will be comprehensive and inclusive for everyone. The public kick off is April 12, 2018. The Campaign is expected to conclude in 2021. In closing, Mr. Wampler noted this should be an amazing Alumni Weekend and thanked everyone for attending.

**The Penn Fund Report**

Jeff Cohen, W’85, Chair for the Penn Fund Executive Board gave the Penn Fund update. Mr. Cohen shared photos from the celebration of the 90th Anniversary of the Penn Fund and the 10th Anniversary of the Ivy Stone Society. More than 300 alumni attended the event in New York City which was held at the
New York Public Library. Mr. Cohen made note this was a remarkable year for The Penn Fund. He noted the Penn Fund is tracking ahead of fiscal year 2016 – which was record-setting for alumni donors. To date, 22,698 undergraduate alumni have made a gift to The Penn Fund. The Penn Fund has secured 20,526 alumni donors. The Penn Fund has raised $28,971,780 in cash against a goal of $32,500,000. Cash receipts are roughly 19.4% ahead of this time last year, or $4.7M and are set to break new records by the end of this fiscal year. The Class of 1967 set a new 50th reunion record with University wide commitments at over $61M.

**Awards and Resolutions Report**

On behalf of the Awards and Resolutions Committee, Steve Roth, W’66, announced the following recommendations for the 2017 Student Award of Merit, Alumni Award of Merit and Young Alumni Award.

**Student Award of Merit**

Sophie Y. Beren, C’17  
Lauren D’Amore, W’17  
Jared Michael Fenton, C’17  
Werner Glass, C’17  
Sarah Gubara, C’17  
Lukas Vacek, W’17, ENG’17

**Alumni Award of Merit**

Gilbert F. Casellas, Esq., L’77  
Kyle Kozloff, W’90  
Egbert L. Perry, CE’76, WG’78, GCE’79  
Alice Waddington, ED’49  
Susan Dreier Wishnow, C’86

**Young Alumni Award**

Louis (Tripp) Hornick, III, C’02  
Rohit Singh, C’02 W’02

A motion to approve the nominees was made, seconded, and approved.

**Trustees’ Council of Penn Women**

Hildegard Toth, C’79, Chair for Trustees’ Council of Penn Women (TCPW), gave the TCPW update. Dr. Toth recognized Al Shoemaker as the founder of TCPW in 1987 and how though his sponsorship TCPW was created. She referenced TCPW’s mission statement as being an international network of Penn alumnae and these leaders by power of their example support, foster and promote the advancement of women and women’s issues within the University, thus enriching the University community as a whole. There are twelve committees which support the faculty students and Penn leadership through partnership through the Office of the President, Provost, Board of Overseers the Penn Alumni Board as well as other organizations that guide the University. Members of TCPW continue to foster TCPW missions as well as being fully engaged in the Penn Community. TCPW by the numbers has 237 current
members, 160 active members and 73 emerita members. Among its membership, there are 38 current or past University Trustees, 135 current or past overseers and 47 Alumni Award of Merit honorees. TCPW has raised almost $400M for the University. TCPW is a multigenerational group and continues to explore ways to recruit members that reflect the rich cultural, professional and geographical diversity.

**Presentation**

John L. Jackson, Jr. PhD, Dean School of Social Policy and Practice, Richard Perry University Professor, Penn Integrates Knowledge (PIK) professor.