

The George Washington Alumni Association
Annual Meeting
June 8, 2005
Minutes
As Approved: October 20, 2005

Members in Attendance (including by phone): Kristen Betts, Marlynn Brown, Penn Chabrow, Jason Chautin, David Cleary, Edmond Collier, Richard Crespin, Patrick Dine, Robert Efrus, Carol Engel, Pastor Farinas, Allan From, Marc Goldsmith, Jeremy Gosbee, Stan Grube, Jennifer Hertzberg, Stuart Kassan, Issa Khozeimeh, Joseph Kiehl, Eugene Lambert, Jeannie Lesko, Cameron MacKenzie, John Manning, Jeff Marootian, Kristy McDonnell, Eric Mendelsohn, Tamara O'Neil, Tejbir Phool, Audrey Plonk, Jonathan Pompan, Anna Samedova, Phil Tahtakran, Breanna Templeton, Sean Walsh, Debbie Wheeler, Chris Young, John Young

Members not in attendance: Bruce Ammerman, Joseph Baca, Alex Barned, Sylvia Benatti, Irene Brahmakulam, Jose Brito, Jay Cohen, Jeffrey Flaks, Mark Hughes, Jeanette Michael, Alexia Morrison, Alan Nadel, Bill Quinn, Tony Sayegh, Nicole Speulda, Camille Stillwell, Ramona Stoltz, Omar Woodard.

Staff in Attendance: Amy Aldrich, Karen Ancillai, Joe Bondi, Nelson Carbonelle, Rich Collins, Peggy Culp, Cristy Donnelly, Skip Gnehm, Laurel Price Jones, Stacey Martin, Nell McGarity, Scott Mory, Anita Ponchione, Mark Roberts, Dean Roger Trangsrud, Valoree Vargo

Call to Order and Minutes

- GWAA President Kristen Betts called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m. in the 7th Floor boardroom of the 1957 E Street, NW building.
- Pastor Farinas moved to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2005 Board of Directors meeting. The motion was seconded and carried by unanimous voice vote.

Guest Remarks

- Nelson Carbonell, chairman of the GW Board of Trustees Advancement Committee, gave remarks to the group.
- Vice President for Advancement Laurel Price Jones also spoke to the group.

President's Report

- President Betts thank the Board for an outstanding year and recognized the past GWAA presidents who were present in the group.
- Betts noted that the Association had largely reached its goal of focusing on three priorities: connecting, reconnecting and advancing GW.
- Betts thanked the Association's officers, Executive Director Scott Mory and the Office of Alumni Programs staff for their support this year.
- Betts introduced two new members to the Board: Christian Maher and Tamara O'Neil.
- Betts presented the following outgoing Board members with a certificate of recognition: Jose Antonio Brito, Jason Chautin, Patrick Dine, Robert Efrus, Stan Grube, Issa Khozeimeih, Alexia Morrison, Nicole Speulda, Camille Stillwell, Omar Woodard and John Young.

President-Elect's Report

- President-Elect Chris Young thanked President Betts for her leadership this year.
- Young reported that the Nominating Committee had made its selection of a slate of officers for the 2005-06 fiscal year. Nominating Committee Chairman Robert Efrus moved that the Association accept the nominations of Richard Crespin as president-elect, Jeremy Gosbee as secretary and Pastor Farinas as treasurer. The motion was seconded and carried by unanimous voice vote.
- Young presented the names of the Association's vice presidents and appointed officers for the 2005-2006 academic year:

Marlynnne Brown	Vice President for Awards
Audrey Plonk	Vice President for Programs
Cheryl Golden-Dunn	Vice President for Education Programs
Cameron McKenzie	Vice President for Student-Alumni Initiatives
David Cleary	Vice President for Trustee Recommendations
Jonathan Pompan	Parliamentarian
- Young announced his selection of the following alumni to serve as At-Large Members of the Board of Directors: Penn Chabrow, Laura Downs, Jeff Marootian, Tej Phool and Debbie Wheeler.

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer Richard Crespin reported that the finance committee had focused its efforts this year on three priorities: enhancing the Association's financial relationship with the University, improving and simplifying the Association's treasury management and achieving long-term solvency.
- Crespin moved that the Association adopt the proposed budget for 2005-06. The motion was seconded and carried by unanimous voice vote.
- Crespin thanked the members of the finance committee for their work during the past year.

Executive Director's Report

- Executive Director Scott Mory reported on the Office of Alumni Programs goals for the coming year:
 - ❖ increasing staff and budget support for the Office
 - ❖ building the reunion program and regional programs
 - ❖ increasing its attention toward current students
 - ❖ providing alumni career services
- Mory thanked the Board members and staff in the Office of Alumni Programs, the Office of Advancement Communications & Events and the schools and colleges. Mory also thanked Past President Robert Efrus, President-Elect Chris Young and President Kristen Betts for their work during the year. On behalf of the Association, Mory presented a gift to President Betts.

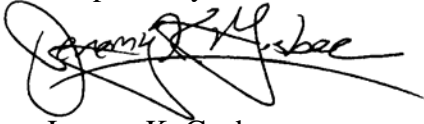
Passing of the Gavel

- President Betts passed the gavel to President-Elect Chris Young, thereby beginning his term as president.

- President Young noted that he would focus his efforts on continuing outreach to school-based alumni groups.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeremy K. Gosbee", written over a horizontal line.

Jeremy K. Gosbee
Secretary