

# Chattanooga Central High School

## Alumni Association

### Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2022

The April meeting of the Chattanooga Central High Alumni Association was held on April 21, 2022 in the library and online using Zoom. Buffy Hoge called the meeting to order. New attendees were teacher Mrs. Cotreau and Vicky Rockwood class of '67.

### **Acceptance of Minutes**

Buffy asked for a motion to accept the approved March minutes. Judy Phillips made a motion to accept the approved March minutes. Tara Waldrop seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Tara gave the treasurer's report. There were three expenditures for the month. \$2750.00 for student support and \$350.00 administrative. There were no deposits. This leaves us with a total balance that hasn't been designated for scholarships of \$25,877.73. There is some scholarship money that is still sitting in the account. Heather Randolph made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. John Crawford seconded the motion. The motion passed. Tara reminded the group that as we get ready for the golf tournament to remember and get all receipts in and try not to hold them longer than 30 days. Tara will be happy to meet anyone to pick up receipts if necessary. Buffy went to the Central Connection luncheon last week and sold \$90 for the 18 anvil pins that were sold. Buffy used her discretion as president and gave \$56 for 2 wrestling pullovers and \$100 for C Club refreshments. She turned in those receipts and also the receipt for picture frames for picture frames for \$502.40.

### **Principal's Report**

Central's current enrollment stands at 745. We are currently working with approximately 160 seniors in the class of 2022. Individual meetings are being held with seniors that may have a graduation concern regarding credits.

JROTC completed their annual inspection with superior rating and very positive comments from evaluators

Band students performed in the solo and ensemble event hosted at Lookout Valley with students achieving superior ratings for their solo and ensemble performances.

Seniors must have all course work complete and requirements met by May 6 to participate in the graduation ceremony on May 17

Prom is scheduled for May 14 at Ooltewah Commons, tickets are on sale now, need to sell 100 tickets in order to host the prom. Current sales are 25 tickets. There is parent interest in joining the alumni in providing financial assistance if ticket sales are short of 100. As of today 97 tickets have been sold. The photo booth for the prom will be \$475.00. Heather made a motion to give the \$475.00 for the purchase of the photo booth for prom. Tara seconded the motion. The motion passed.

CHS hosted a Teaching and Learning Walk-Through by district leadership on April 7 and it was a good visit

Annual student Talent show on March 11 was successful showcasing the talent of student performers

March 21 teachers participated in professional development with a focus on student discourse in the classroom

Brown Middle and Hunter Middle 8th graders visited on our campus on March 22 and 23 respectively

Academic Awards and JROTC Awards Day is scheduled for April 8 at 9:00 and 1:00 respectively

Spring Break April 11-15

EOC testing begins when we return from Spring Break

JROTC is sponsoring a Spring Blood Drive on April 29

Armed Forces Day Parade - JROTC

Spring Concerts: Choir- Tuesday, May 10 at Bayside Church Band – Thursday, May 12 at Bayside Church

Continue to check the school website for events and recent athletic news Softball team has been on a winning streak recently.

The Sports Awards program was held and letters were given out. It has also been decided that they will bring back letterman jackets. Buffy asked when Spring C Club Letter presentation would be and Mr. I said the date has not been set yet.

Zane Ferrying has been accepted to West Point. He is the Channel 12 Student Athlete of the Year and he is also Central's salutatorian for the Senior class.

## **Student Officer's Report**

Buffy reported that Sarah Katheron Latham wrote an essay for Volunteer Electric and has been awarded a trip to D.C. in June.

## **Old Business**

Barney Ottinger meets with the tax person tomorrow to try and get us reinstated with our tax exempt status. We originally were under a 501-C-7 and it lapsed. We are currently working under a 501 C-3 and it lapsed. The tax person has finished our taxes for 2017-2021 and is hoping to help us navigate through the paperwork and what has to be done to be reinstated. We may have to file manually and send a letter as to why we didn't respond to the letter they sent us. Barney was in the hospital at the time the letter was sent. Tara gave the letter to Buffy and she said it was mailed to Barney. Barney never received the letter.

Tara suggested we keep a CPA on retainer to help us do this in the future so that there isn't any more confusion or misunderstanding. This would ensure that it is always filed on time. She also suggested that if we do lose our tax exempt status, we could reorganize under a different name. Lucy Bottorf said that the person/address receiving the letter probably needs to be the treasurer. There was a lot of discussion surrounding this. Tara suggested that we make a handbook with everything that needs to be done so that nothing like this happens again and that it be passed down from board to board.

The Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame induction ceremony will be held on Class Night May 13th. Barney stated that we are waiting on pictures from inductees and that letters have been mailed to each of them. The inductees for the Class of 2022 are: Eric Stitts '89; Matthew Evans '61; John J. N. Howard '54; Kathy Farmer Ratz '74; Winstron Massey '23.

The information on each inductee will be forwarded to Preston Fore and he will do the press release. Judy stated that we needed more programs and ushers to take nominees and their families to their seats this year.

Buffy reported for the scholarship committee that she would be speaking with Jerry Summers about the Farmer scholarship and the Mackey's about their scholarship then they would be ready to go. Tara reported that they are not 100% sure there will be a Frizzell scholarship this year.

Buffy reported on the brick fundraiser and said that she plans to take a picture of each brick purchased, write a note and send a receipt to everyone that has purchased. The bricks will cover approximately one half of the square sections out front. They can cover 5ft by 4ft. Coach Crawford suggested that we spread the bricks out and not put them all together. He said we could have a "white" brick in between the purchased bricks that could be "pulled out" and we could fill the section in this way. He saw this done at the University of Alabama and said it was beautiful. Tara suggested that we email this years Senior parents the brick information.

## **New Business**

Mrs. Croteau spoke about an upcoming trip that she is taking students on to Southern adventist University to go through their Cadaver Lab. The bus will cost approximately \$350. Judy made a motion to give the Science Department \$500 to cover the cost of this trip. Martha Faye Blabon seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The Quarterback Club asked that we purchase a sign for \$200. Heather made a motion to purchase the sign for \$200. Naomi Hay seconded the motion. The motion passed.

## **Miscellaneous**

Judy asked about the bios for the DAHOF and SHOF. John Crawford suggested that we put all the information on social media. As of 2022 there are 93 DAHOF members and 68 SHOF members. There was a lot of discussion regarding how to get these members of our HOFs information available as people come in and look at the pictures displayed. There are only 73 spots available for pictures. John said he is working on this. Barney said we needed someone from the school to work on the bios for the DAHOF and SHOF and we would pay them. Mr. I said he has not gotten anyone yet but that he will.

Barney gave a charge to the group to work on getting membership up.

Mrs. Fry stated that she would like to introduce the DAHOF inductee that she had nominated.

Next alumni meeting is on May 9th at 6:00 p.m. Meeting will be in the library and there will be a Zoom link for those that cannot attend in person.

Heather made a motion to adjourn the meeting. John seconded. Motion passed.

Heather C. Randolph

Secretary

## **List of Attendees**

Martha Faye Blabon

Lucy Bottorff

John Crawford

Mrs. Cotreau

Admiral Fry

Mrs. Fry

Naomi Hay

Buffy Hoge

Mr. I

Barney Ottinger  
Vivian Pettigrew  
Judy Phillips  
Vickey Rockwood  
Tara Waldrop