

Chattanooga Central High School

Alumni Association

Meeting Minutes

August 10, 2023

The August meeting of the Chattanooga Central High Alumni Association was held on August 10, 2023 in the library and via zoom. James Walker called the meeting to order. Bill & Beth Mason '73 and Jeremy Kaylor, Ag Teacher were in attendance.

### **Acceptance of Minutes**

John Crawford made a motion to accept the July minutes and Buffy Hoge seconded. Motion passed.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Tara Waldrop gave the treasurer's report. We have a total balance of \$21,417.92. There were a total of \$2,711.24 debits and a total of \$3,090.00 deposits. Tara passed out our Tax Exempt Form to those that wanted one. Heather Randolph made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and John seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### **Principal's Report**

Final preparations for the start of the 2023-24 school year were completed

Staff returned on August 3, We are fully staffed

Registration was held on August 4

Annual Title 1 Open House and back to school Orientation was held on August 7

First day of classes August 9

Beginning enrollment projection: 720

Currently renovations are in progress in G209 and the former bank/storage area to allow for the expansion of our CTE and

School Enterprise programs.

Our first Pep Rally is scheduled for Friday, August 18 at 2:00 p.m. to coincide with our first home football game which is an away game vs. Ooltewah.

Our first Home game is scheduled for Friday, September 15

Homecoming is scheduled for Friday, September 29 against Sweetwater. In preparation for homecoming the week of

September 25-29 will be school spirit week and we will host our second pep rally on the 29 th .

## **Student Officer's Report**

There was no student officer's report

## **Old Business**

John reported that this Saturday@7:00 a.m. the wooden supports for the HOF pictures to hang on would be added to B pod & C pod by alumni Nick Neely and his crew.

Steve Lewis will get the Leadership Class to rehang the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame (DAHOF) and the Sports Hall of Fame (SHOF) and make repairs etc.

The SHOF banquet will be held September 22nd @5:30 and final details will be discussed at the next alumni meeting. The food will be \$9.75 per meal with a \$100 tip. We are planning on approximately 150 people but these numbers could change at the next meeting. The total as of now will be \$1,462.50. Buffy will get the form for the cafeteria workers. Judy will call and get the ferns. John will pick these up.

Barney Ottinger bought 18 golf balls for each participant in the golf tournament. The tournament will be held September 16th. There are a total of 12 teams right now but more coming. Martha Faye Blabon will take golf brochures to the % '83 reunion.

Buffy stated she will order the plaques/trophies from We've Got Spirit.

There are 6 bricks waiting to be ordered. It is a \$15 flat fee for the order. The order will be placed asap.

## **New Business**

Bill Mason % '73 spoke about his class reunion and reported that with the leftover funds from the reunion his class made a \$100 donation to the brick fundraiser and a \$1,375.00 donation to the scholarship fund.

It was reported that Ed Love % '60 donated a letterman jacket to Central.

New Central Staff Member Jeremy Kaylor shared with the group his vision for the Ag Science program. He wants to partner with Ace Hardware and grow something that Ace would buy from students. He spoke about the state of the art greenhouse he plans for the future (\$70,000) and

several ways his class can help beautify the school. He envisions an Ag Mechanics class (there isn't one in Hamilton Co.) and his hopes to receive an ISM Federal Grant which would grant \$1 million dollars over 4 years. Lucy stated that she wants to do an email blast to share the vision and hopefully receive support from other alumni and community members.

## **Miscellaneous**

We received a Thank You card from Meryl Turner for the Luther Masingill Scholarship.

Buffy inquired about the dates for the DAHOF event. James and Mr. I are still working on a date for this event.

Lucy reported that the scholarship recipients have been good at getting her the information needed. There are only 3 recipients left who have not.

Lucy requested that the zoom link for the next meeting be sent out at the beginning of the week.

Sarah Katheron Latham sent an email before the meeting but most received it on their way to the meeting and did not have the opportunity to look at it. Lucy did have a chance to look at it (see attended by zoom) and suggested that "or via zoom" be added to the postcard Sarah Katheron Latham sent out for review.

Next alumni meeting is on September 14th at 6:00 p.m. Meeting will be in the library and on zoom. Buffy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Barney seconded. The meeting was adjourned

Heather C. Randolph

Secretary

## **List of Attendees**

Martha Faye Blabon

Lucy Bottorff

John Crawford

Buffy Hoge

Mr. I

Barney Ottinger

Vivian Pettigrew

Judy Phillips

Heather Randolph

Tara Waldrop

James Walker

