

Chattanooga Central High School

Alumni Association

Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2022

The January meeting of the Chattanooga Central High Alumni Association was held on January 13, 2022 in the library and online using Zoom. Buffy Hoge called the meeting to order at 6:05. There were no new attendees. This was the first in-person meeting due to the Covid pandemic in 22 months.

Acceptance of Minutes

Buffy asked for a motion to accept the approved December minutes. Barney Ottinger made a motion to accept the approved December minutes. Tara Waldrop seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Tara Waldrop gave the treasurer's report. There is \$33,632.69 in our balance. There is a total of \$31,556.59 available. A check was written to Hamilton Co. Schools in the amount of \$327.84 for the SHOF dinner. A check was written to Mr. John Corum in the amount of \$500.00 for the Hole In One prize for the Golf Tournament and a check was written to the Central Quarterback Club in the amount of \$400.00 for the cheerleaders bus. The total debits were \$1,227.84. Deposits were made in the amount of \$500 from Bacaman LLC for the golf tournament and also \$500.00 from the Generosity Trust in memory of Connie Hay. There was a \$5.96 credit deposited from the discrepancy in our favor from the golf tournament as well. The total deposits were \$1,005.96. Tara let everyone know that there wasn't a golf report and that a paypal payment for the brick fundraiser had been left off the report. This will go on the February report. There are also 35 orders for bricks that are supposed to go in this week. Heather Randolph made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Kathryn Latham seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Principal's Report

Return from Holiday break January 5. School was closed on the 6th and opened on a 2 hour delay the 7th due to inclement weather.

Central's current enrollment stands at 750. We are currently working with approximately 160 seniors in the class of 2022.

Winter sports season is underway, check our website for updates on wins and student athlete recognitions. Central hosted a successful wrestling tournament on Saturday, Jan. 8th.

Several band students were selected to represent Central at the District and State level.

First semester ended successfully. Report cards were available for viewing on Jan. 7th.

Buffy asked Mr. I if the results of the EOC exams were in and he stated they were not in yet.

May 17th is graduation day.

John Crawford asked how Central's staff and students were doing with Covid absences. Mr. I said that today a dozen staff members were out and some were due to Covid. He also stated that 15 students were sent home today due to Covid and 2 teachers. There were 194 absent on Tuesday. At this point they have had to call the entire school because it is impossible to contact trace with so many students and staff members affected. When they called it was to let them know they had probably come into close contact with someone who had tested positive for Covid. They are encouraging masks at this time but they are not required. The nurse at the school can do rapid Covid tests.

John and Mr. I also discussed with the group that the Central Invitational Wrestling Tournament was the oldest wrestling tournament in the State of Tennessee.

Student Officer's Report

Sarah Katheron Latham reported for the class officers. She said students had been busy with schedule changes but things were starting to slow down and they were getting back in the groove after the break. The Prom will be held @Ooltewah Commons this year on May 4th. They need 100 tickets to be sold (\$50 each ticket) in order to have Prom. The Ruriteens are planning the CDC Prom for Feb. 18th. Sarah Katheron was named National Ruriteen of the Year. This is the first time someone has been named Ruriteen of the Year from the Cherokee District and the first time from the Harrison Club.

Old Business

Barney gave a report on the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame (DAHOF). He has received one official nomination from Charlie Sedman and the committee will also be looking at nominations from the past that haven't already been inducted.

When looking at the pictures already hanging of DAHOF members he recognized that there are different, yet similar, frames hanging already. He also thinks the new location for the pictures will look fine. Buffy will be hanging the latest pictures of inductees for the DAHOF and the Sports Hall of Fame (SHOF) up tomorrow.

Preston Fore reported on the Brick Fundraiser. He stated that all orders need to be in this week. There are already 35 ready to order. Barney will be talking to the person doing the construction about the design for the bricks that will be placed beginning at the front doors of the

school. Katheron spoke with Admiral and Mrs. Fry about their bricks purchased and they want 4 bricks with their information together. The remaining 6 bricks will honor other people. Katheron will get the remaining information needed from them and have to Preston within the week. Katheron also expressed that she explained to them that their bricks would not be an actual centerpiece.

New Business

The boys basketball coach, Coach Davis stopped by to thank the Alumni Association for their donation. He spoke about his team and their future as well as informed everyone that the Chattanooga did an article on Matthew Sharpe who is a basketball player and in Mrs. Latham's piano class.

It was announced that James Walker did not want to be reconsidered for the position of Vice President due to his position on the School Board.

Buffy opened up the floor for nominations of board members. Judy Phillips nominated John Crawford for the position of Vice President. James seconded the motion.

Buffy asked if there were any other nominations. There were none and the floor closed. There was a vote and John Crawford was nominated as Vice President.

John made a motion to appoint Tara Waldrop, Heather Randolph and Buffy Hoge to their previous positions of Treasurer, Secretary and President, respectfully, by acclamation. Katheron seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Buffy nominated Lucy Bottorf as Executive Assistant to the President of the Alumni Association. James seconded this and the motion passed.

Miscellaneous

The date for the golf tournament is Sep 17, 2022. John will get with the football coach about their game schedule.

John called Vanessa Moss and will meet with her next week about serving on the advisory board for the Harrison Bay Future Ready Center. He will be involved specifically with construction and architecture.

James asked about the shape of the portables at Central because he thinks there is a possibility of swapping them out with the ones that are in much better shape at CSLA. Mr. I said that Central certainly could use them. Mr. I also stated that Central is on the list to have a full renovation.

Next alumni meeting on February 10th 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. Kathryn seconded. Motion passed.

Heather C. Randolph

Secretary

List of Attendee

Lucy Bottorff

John Crawford

Coach Davis

Preston Fore

Buffy Hoge

Mr I

Katheron Latham

Sarah Katheron Latham

Barney Ottinger

Judy Phillips

Heather Randolph

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Tara Waldrop

James Walker