SPSU Alumni Association Board Meeting (2/8/14)

Minutes

Board Members Present:
Trent Anderson  
Greg Barner  
Lisa Buice  
Robert Graham  
Edrick Harris  
Tyler Isgett  
David Jett  
Glynn Mitchell  
Brandon Nichols  
Ben Phillips (Emeritus)  
Aakash Shah  
Frank Ziller

SPSU Staff:
Dr. Sam Conn, VP and CIO  
Pierrette Maillet  
Kit Trensch

- President’s Welcome
- Approve agenda
  - Motion to approve agenda made by Trent; seconded by Aakash.  Motion passes.
- Approve minutes from 11/9/2013
  - Motion to approve minutes made by Trent; seconded by Tyler.  Motion passes.
- University Information Technology Services (Data Management Innovations on Campus)
  - Dr. Conn went through some of the data management systems of the campus, such as data backup which is located on UGA campus in Athens.
  - Dr. Conn stated that when he came in, wanted IT to be seen as an investment instead of a cost for the University.
  - Three-Year Plan for University Information Technology Services
    - Year One, Restructuring - overhaul of IT organizational structure
      - Information Technology - all the hardware, including security
      - Information Systems - data systems
      - Technical Support
    - Year Two, Reengineering (Moving to the Cloud and increase wireless coverage) - figuring out how to balance the security needed for administrative purposes and the network needs on the academic side. Started an Academic Research Service - meant to aid in emulating a cloud service. It's the first system of its kind available to the entire University System of Georgia.
    - Year Three, Re-envisioning - figure out new ways to be technology leader in the community. Created a mobile app for the university.
- Board Business
  - Financial Report - As of 12-31-13, discretionary account balance is $6,708.48.
    - Funding Request
      - Etiquette Dinner - $250 sponsoring fee. Aakash motions to fund etiquette dinner; Frank second. Motion passes.
      - Spring Career Fair LinkedIn Booth - $175 (fees, supplies, equipment). Aakash made a motion to fund photo booth; Trent second. Motion passed.
- Actions Exercise
  - The committee was broken up into three groups. Each group was given a set of three
questions to answer.
  o Pierrette will organize the results from the exercise and the Executive Committee will take the feedback in order to create a plan and message to send to Alumni.

- Committee Updates
  o Fundraising and Development Committee - senior gift and capital campaign are tabled for now. Will give support during phonathon. Continue to push brick campaign.
  o Alumni Engagement Committee – main focus is on consolidation and figuring out which direction to go.
  o Student Outreach Committee – currently working on getting out the application for the Student Leadership Award. Received a request for additional funding. Dependent on the results of the competition being conducted this morning.
  o Nominations Committee – currently accepting nominations for new board members.

- Alumni Office Update
  o Alumni Affairs Consolidation Operational Working Group - were suggested not to try and develop organizational structure. They only take care of issues as it deals with alumni affairs.
  o Donations have been coming in lower than normal. Mostly due to consolidation and uncertainty.
  o Consolidation Update - Implementation Committee has made recommendations on how the administrative structure should be set up.

- President's Message
- Adjourn

Minutes submitted by Robert Graham, Secretary