SPSU Alumni Board Meeting
March 22, 2014

Board Members Present:

Thomas Baglivo  Greg Barner  Lisa Buice
Robert Graham  David Jett  David McKoy
Glynn Mitchell  Gene Morris  Brandon Nichols
Chisom Ohiagu  Aakash Shah

SPSU Staff Present:

Pierrette Maillet

President’s Welcome

- Approve today’s agenda
  - Motion made by David Jett; seconded by Aakash. Motion passes.
- Approve minutes from 2/8/14
  - Motion made by Lisa; seconded by Aakash. Motion passes.

Board Business

- Financial Report
  - Discretionary fund balance is $6,708.48 as of 2/28/14. There are still a few pending transactions (Etiquette dinner and LinkedIn photo booth)
  - Discussion about an alumni resource called CareerShift. Alumni Engagement Committee see it as a way for closing the gap with Career Services. Thomas made motion to fund $900 for a one-year contract (or a prorated amount) CareerShift with the Alumni Board discretionary fund; seconded by David Jett. Motion passes.
- New Business
  - David Jett started a discussion about using the University cloud service to restructure the way the board shares information. David will gather more information and come back to the board.

Alumni Office Update

- Promoted the SPSU/Red Hare glassware sale and discussed other information on the website.
- The Alumni Office wants to do more meeting/socials with various companies with a large number of SPSU alumni. Attendance at other social events has increased since doing these company specific events.
- No Open Forums until after April 18th, which is the next Board of Regents meeting. This is when the administrative structure will be in place.

Alumni Operational Working Group Update

- KSU understands the value of the SPSU programs.
Discussed the process of merging the two Alumni Boards. Issues: timing and operational aspects. Went through the pros and cons discussed at the last meeting dealing with the merged boards.

Alumni Board Letter/Message
- Gave the board members present a chance to review the updated letter and express any last minute concerns.

Foundation Board Update

Committee Work Session

Committee Reports
- Student Outreach
  - Finalize the letter to the Foundation board
  - Postpone student seminars until Fall 2014
  - Received applications for the Outstanding Leadership Award; will review at next meeting
  - Passed around a thank you card from the Speech Team.
- Fundraising
  - Focus mostly on the brick program.
  - Staying connected to alumni who haven’t given but plan to, and not lose those individuals in light of the consolidation
- Alumni Engagement
  - Continue to get departments involved and engaged with alumni about information post-consolidation.
  - Continue interaction between the two alumni boards to aid with integrating into one group outlook in the future.
- Nominations
  - Currently only looking at new board members at the moment.
  - Still looking for solicitations for executive positions.

President’s Message

Adjourn

Minutes submitted by Robert Graham, Secretary