

FoWY Monthly Meeting Minutes

May 23, 2023 - 6:30 PM /Room 104

Absences: Stacey Young, Patty Andrade, Suzie Desai, Eleanor Luk, Laurie Mullick, Ben Pan, Nadia Roberts, Yescenia Sanchez, Molly VanDerMeid, Leah Welty, Yuning Zu

Guests: Amber Commodore, David Hoke, Preeti Kansal, Srishti Kolla, Keith Xin, Michael Goroff

Call to Order: 6:37 PM (Lynne Radomski)

April minutes reviewed Edits to the Development Report to list accurate meeting details, to the Nominating Report to include nominations of full Board of Directors as well as Executive Committee, and addition of the date for the June meeting/approved (Lynne/Scott). Lynne gave reminder of how minutes are presented.

May agenda reviewed/approved: (Lynne/Kelly)

President's Report (Arlyne Chin)

*Neighborhood socials: Good turnout for Hyde Park in April and West Loop in May. Encouraged board to continue these community-building gatherings. Communications committee will continue to help promote.

*Final report; will still be available for any questions after new board begins tonight.

Committee Reports

1) Alumni

- no report

2) Annual Fund/Grants (Arlyne):

- **Annual Fund** (Yolanda for Arlyne):

- one final push; donations can be accepted until end of June.

- too early to send report, but totals will be available after fiscal year ends.

- **Grants** (Arlyne for Patty):

- no report; waiting for final spring requests to be submitted for payment

- Patty needs to give editor access to grants documents to new committee chairs

3) Communications (Joel):

- social media posts going well; continue to send ideas and announcements as much as possible

- Natasha will send information about WY scholarships awarded from an organization she is involved with (Security Traders Association of Chicago)

4) Community/Volunteer (Lynne):

- transition meeting 4/25 - will provide introductions for new committee members to school contacts

-Dolphin Depot:

1. Blessings in a Backpack serving 10 students each weekend with a backpack of meals. Molly has augmented original meal to add more items.

2. Dolphin Depot budget may be reallocated; committee will discuss and present to the board. Meeting with Counseling Department next week.

3. Kelly and Molly have launched the "Vintage Vault" (donated WY apparel) initiative. Logo created by student Sam Park will be used on signage and promotions. Box in Main Office to collect donations is already

-Volunteer Drive (Megan):

1. Links working and ready to distribute to community this summer when necessary
2. Board should ALL be Level 2 certified.

-Community Spotlight (Karen):

1. Interview conducted and profile completed by Malachi Neely.
2. Ready to submit to Weekly and FoWY website.

-Faculty Luncheon

1. Held 4/21; lots of compliments from faculty/staff
2. New catering company serving a Taco Bar and southwestern cuisine.
3. Caterer would like to become a CPS vendor; we can write a letter of recommendation if necessary.
4. Special thanks to Yolanda and Nadia for driving out to purchase more food since we were running out! Thank you to everyone who helped or showed up; this is a fun event for us to host.

5) **Development/Fundraising** (Arlyne):

- as with Annual Fund and Grants, wrap-up still to come
- fundraisers ongoing through EOY
- June report will provide more details

6) **Finance** (Stephanie):

- April financial statements sent to Board
- held transfer meeting with transition committee
- banking accounts will be turned over after Executive Slate is approved
- credit card closing in May

7) **Student Report** (Victor/Jiaming):

- May events: Fashion Show, Family Night, Senior Grad Nite, Film Festival, Taste of WY, Senior Spirit Week, Art Fair, AAC shows
- Other upcoming events/programs:
 - Senior Activities: Luncheon 5/31; Prom 6/2; BBQ and Senior vs Faculty basketball and softball games 6/6; Graduation 6/7
 - Last Day of School for all 6/7
- Introduced new students for next year's FoWY board: Srishti Kolla, Keith Xin

8) **Nominating** (Megan):

- Thanked outgoing Board
- Presented slate for **2023-24 Executive Board**:
 - Yolanda Paramore - President
 - Patricia Herrera - Co-Vice President
 - Melanie Neely - Co-Vice President
 - Stacey Mansker Young - Treasurer
 - Karen Stanton - Financial Secretary
 - Kelly Lowery - Secretary

- **Motion entered for approval (Lynne/Elana); APPROVED**

- Read slate for remainder of **2023-24 Board of Directors** to include 3 new candidates who were present:

- Leah Welty Assmus
- Scott Clayton
- Amber Commodore (NEW)
- Suzie Desai
- Alison Brown Ferguson
- David Hoke (NEW)
- Preeti Kansal (NEW)
- Kimberly Keith
- Jenny Necheles
- Joel Reese
- Nadia Roberts
- Megan Schumacher
- Elana Tennenbaum
- Molly VanDerMeid
- Students Srishti Kolla and Keith Xin

- New candidates introduced themselves to provide background and interest in joining Board

- 3 additional candidates will be presented/voted at next meeting

- **Motion entered for approval (Megan/Scott); APPROVED**

9) **Policy** (Yolanda):

- transition continuing; policy will be discussed when complete

LSC (Arlyne for Brad):

- Held last meeting with this year's Council
- Brad had to resign so new council could assume roles

New Business:

- Lynne will provide information for reallocation of Dolphin Depot funds in a follow-up email.
- May minutes will be emailed next week; **approval will be requested via email** so new Executive Committee can receive bank signature approval.
- Spring Bash committee will have one more meeting to discuss remaining items that were not auctioned and what to do with extra sponsor gifts and alcohol.
- Last sentiments from outgoing Board members Arlyne, Stephanie and Lynne. Yolanda expressed a thank you for the years of service given.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:24 PM (Lynne/Kimberly)

Next Meeting: June 14, 2023, at 6:30 PM in the WY Library (tentative; Yolanda will send out email to gather interest in holding earlier meeting before school ends)