

Alumni Executive Council Meeting

Saturday, April 4, 2009

1:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Minutes

In Attendance	Not Present
Dana Devereux, President	John Bord
Rachel Askey	Clint Watson
Jacki Bauer	
Drew Chelosky	
Maureen Connolly	
Pat Easton	
Janet Golonka	
Kristin Ligda	
John McCague	
Andy McIlvaine	
Bill Meddings	
Cynthia Phillips	
Marian Ream	
Julie Rothbardt	
Fred Sharer	
Miles Simon	
Debbie Slocum	
John Tate	
Linda Wagner	
Jimil Wilson	

College Representatives

Michele Hufnagel, Director of Alumni Relations

Sarah Sperry, Assistant Director of Alumni and Parent Relations

James Malezi, Annual Fund Officer

Mackenzie Stroh, Assistant Annual and Reunion Fund Coordinator

Call to Order

At 1:40 p.m., President Dana Devereux called meeting to order.

AEC Assessment Discussion

As a follow up to the recent survey AEC members were asked to complete, Dana led a discussion on assessment of AEC activities and the mission of the Council. Assessment comments and AEC activity suggestions included increased committee work, an third AEC meeting annually, an alumni association meeting at Homecoming, and increased AEC visibility in W&J communications.

Board Committee Meeting Reports

AEC members each gave a synopsis of their morning board meeting. AEC members agreed that membership on board committees is extremely informative and will help increase AEC visibility.

Alumni/Student mentor discussion (Geno McCourt '12 guest)

Dana Devereux and Geno McCourt discussed their mentoring relationship, and the mutual benefits each is receiving. Geno explained the various ways Dana's advice and experience has helped him. In turn, Dana shared how enjoyable the relationship has been to him, and how he enjoys being able to help a W&J student navigate college life.

Office of Alumni Relations Report

Michele Hufnagel gave a college update, gave a synopsis of alumni activities in the 2008-2009 academic year, and reviewed 2009-2010 alumni relations goals.

Sub Committee Reports

Pat Easton reported that the Communications Committee met with James Malezi and Mackenzie Stroh from the Annual Giving office. The Committee was pleased with the materials they reviewed, and provided James and Mackenzie with a few messages that may be well received by alumni. The Committee began discussions with the AEC about increasing AEC visibility through existing means of technology.

John McCague reported that the Governance Committee reviewed the final draft of AEC bylaws and made a minor change to the provisions dealing with alumni trustees. The bylaws will be ready for approval once this change is made. The Governance Committee began work on an AEC mission statement this fall.

Sarah Sperry reported that Andy McIlvaine is now the Programming Committee Chair. The Programming Committee discussed the Alumni Mentoring Program, and next steps. Other suggestions included setting standards for the relationship at the onset of the match, asking both the mentor and the mentee what aspirations and expectations they have for the mentorship, providing alumni with a list of on campus resources, and offering a training program. The Committee will work with the alumni relations office this fall to further this pilot program.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Friday, February 26, Time TBD

Friday, May 21, 2010, Noon – 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.