

**The Ohio State University Alumni Club of Northwest Ohio**  
**Board Meeting**  
**February 17, 2015**

The board and members of the OSU Alumni Club of NW Ohio met on Tuesday, February 17, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. at The Black Lantern in Defiance, Ohio. Board members, officers and committee chairs present were Lexie Poulson, Dave Helberg, Tom Hoffman, Patrick McColley, Jason Kryder, Kristan Norden, Nancy Gutman, Gregg Warner, Jim Parsons, Brandon Fisher, Brent Saneholtz, David P. Ropp, Jr., Bev Emch, and Board President Joel Bokerman .

President Bokerman called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. The following issues were discussed:

1. **Secretary's Report:** Jason Kryder moved and Nancy Gutman seconded his motion that the minutes from the October 21, 2014, meeting be approved as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** Patrick McColley submitted the treasurer's report, indicating a balance of \$7,995.64 in the checking account, of \$13,550.71 in the Williams County savings account and of \$9,691.96 in the Henry/Defiance/Fulton savings account. He also indicated that he had approved and paid the university \$2,400.00 for scholarships for our upcoming scholarship recipients, which will be matched by the university. The Treasurer's Checklist was reviewed. We are in compliance with the mandates. Denise McColley moved and Tom Hoffman seconded that the Treasurer's report be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
3. **Scholarship Report:** Scholarship chair Kristan Norden indicated that scholarship recommendations have been submitted for Henry County and Williams County. She has received the top two names for Fulton County but will be checking with James "Bummer" Dominique, Fulton County Vice-Chair of Scholarships, to get the rest of the names submitted in rank order. Jason Kryder and Jim Parsons will be finishing up with the Defiance County recommendations on Thursday of this week.
4. **Membership Report:** No report was given. However, at the last meeting, John Shaffer indicated he would assist with having an event in Williams County. He suggested contacting Father John's. The winery in Williams County was also mentioned as a possible location for a "Scarlet and Grapes" event. Both Father John's proprietor and the winery's proprietor are OSU grads. Dave Rupp and/or Denise McColley will check with John about where this stands as this is something we would like to proceed with, possibly in April or May.
5. **2015 Summer Sendoff and Annual Meeting:** Brandon Fisher reported that the Summer Sendoff and Annual Meeting will be held Thursday, July 23, 2015, at the Bryan Eagles, starting at 6 p.m. The down payment of \$100 to reserve the hall has been paid. We can either have the Eagles staff or a caterer prepare the meal. Brandon will be looking into that.

Roy Hall will be the speaker. Mr. Hall is now president of *The Driven Foundation*. A Cleveland native, Roy Hall attended Charles F. Brush High School where he was a football and basketball standout. He attended The Ohio State University on a full athletic scholarship, and was member

of the 2002 National Championship Team. Roy earned a degree in marketing and was a five-time Ohio State Scholar-Athlete Award winner. The Indianapolis Colts selected Roy in the fifth round of the 2007 NFL Draft. Hall spent four seasons playing for the Colts and Detroit Lions. In 2008, Roy established the DRIVEN Foundation with a goal of impacting the world one life at a time through outreach events, mentorship programs and inspirational speaking. Since 2008, Roy Hall and DRIVEN have proudly distributed more than 450,000 pounds of free food to Central Ohio families.

6. **Penn State Bus Trip Report:** The OSU vs. Penn State trip was discussed. Patrick McColley submitted the treasurer's report indicating revenues and expenses. We did not realize that we were required to arrange bus parking in advance so 50-50 money was used to pay for parking. Patrick McColley reported that we may have lost about \$400 on the bus trip; however, that is uncertain because the former treasurer did not report how much the game tickets were and when the tickets were paid for, the amount for these tickets was combined with the amount for the Virginia Tech tickets.
7. **Meetings, Programs, and Fundraising Report:** Spengey-Gate was held November 8, 2014, at the Armory Arts and Events Center in Napoleon. Patrick McColley submitted the treasurer's report indicating net receipts of \$1,553.59. Patrick mentioned that one of the major expenses was insurance (\$837). He suggested checking with the Alumni Association to see if, by chance, it has insurance that would cover us for this type of event. It is believed that over 300 attended that evening. Possible dates for next year's event were discussed. It was suggested that, for this year's event, we hire the DJ to play music during breaks in the game.
8. **Website/Facebook Report:** Patrick McColley complimented Pam Mummy on getting the online payments established for dues. Our website is [www.nwobuckeyes.com](http://www.nwobuckeyes.com). At this point, we offer one and two year memberships on line; perhaps, we will want to extend that to longer periods or offer corporate or other memberships in the future. Some individuals have already paid their dues on line. The membership dues for PayPal have been \$129.27 to date. It was noted that our club is referred to as "Northwest Regional" when you check it on the OSU Alumni Association website rather than "The Ohio State University Alumni Club of Northwest Ohio", which is its chartered name. Joel will check with Kimberly Lowe about getting that changed and about linking to our website. Pam would like members to submit more photos. In addition, please visit the club's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/OsuAlumniClubOfNorthwestOhio>. Club members are asked to share the website and Facebook page addresses and to like the Facebook page.
9. **Football Alumni Tickets:** A discussion ensued as to what football tickets should be requested for next season. For the away game and bus trip, it was determined to request 50 tickets for the Indiana – OSU game scheduled for October 3. For the home game, we will request 30 tickets for the Hawaii – OSU game.
10. **Announcements:**
  - a. The Defiance College Purple and Gold Club has chosen Pete Johnson, a former OSU and professional football running back to speak at its banquet scheduled for Sunday, April 26, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at the Karl H. Weaner Community Center, on the campus of Defiance College. Pete Johnson played eight seasons in the NFL, primarily with the

Cincinnati Bengals. Before his NFL career, Johnson played for the Buckeyes. For more information, see <http://www.dcpurpleandgoldclub.com/the-purple-and-gold-spring-banquet.cfm>.

- b. The Freedom Township Men's Club will be hosting Beanie Wells in April (perhaps April 8, although the date was uncertain) for the club's annual dinner and fundraiser. Beanie was an OSU running back and, most recently, played for the Arizona Cardinals.
- c. Officers, board members and committee chairs and vice-chairs are reminded that they are required to be life members of the OSU Alumni Association or make a minimum donation of \$75 per year to the Alumni Association, along with being members of our club, in order for the club to receive the right to get football/basketball tickets.
- d. Our member Brent Saneholtz has authored a children's book, *Growing Up Buckeye - Grayson Visits The Horseshoe*. They may be purchased for \$15 each.
- e. Denise McColley mentioned that she had been contacted by Art Germann who is creating Ohio Stadium birdfeeders. He has requested our addresses/email addresses to use to let individuals know they are available. Denise will send the information to board members and Joel will contact Art to see if he would agree to pay us a percentage of the proceeds if one of our members purchases a birdfeeder.

11. **Nest Meeting:** Our next meeting will be scheduled as soon as we know what plans are being made for an event in Williams County.

Patrick McColley moved and Tom Hoffman seconded the motion for adjournment. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise McColley, Secretary