



SUNY Maritime College Parents Association Corp.

BOARD MEETING
Saturday October 19, 2019
MARITIME HOMECOMING
Parents Association Logo Wear Sale Table
Ad Hoc on the tarmac Between
Reinhart Athletic Field & Reinhart Baseball Field
12 pm

Board Members Present: Robert Davis, Jamie Trupp Green, Jeanine Sesack, Joseph Sesack, Thomas Fitzgerald, Zameena Salim-Rasheed, Joseph Donovan, Mike Ripka

Board Members Absent: Gemma Solomos, Lisa Castello, Larry Castello, Frank Green

Member Volunteers Present: Rose Fitzgerald, Suzie Donovan, Betsy Grabner, Robert Grabner, Veronica Werner, Bob Werner, Laureen Diaz, Susan Bailey, Diane Dell'Accio, Audre Amrhein, Pam Bailey, Steven Lowe, Jim Abbott, Nancy Abbot

Student Volunteers Present: Salihali Sayeed, Dominic Ruocco, Peter Lennihan, Justin DelaCruz, William Sesack, Sheanna Gaspar, Michael Fitzgerald, Clara Guarascio, Jesus Fanilla

President's Report:

Let me start off by saying that we had another record-breaking turnout by Board Members, Parent Association Members and Students! A total of 31 in all!! We met at 8:00 am at the Storeroom, loaded up the trucks with Logo Wear, set up 16 tables, where clothing was refolded for sale presentation and price placards were set out. All of our banners were hung on display. The borrowed backdrop (fencing under the bleachers) were hung behind the guest baseball dugout, so that the items for sale, along with their prices, were on display to make it more sale friendly. Having all this help allowed us to make those extra touches possible, allowed the Board Members to take turns going to the Alumni Breakfast.

On this glorious and unseasonably warm and sunny day the Parent Association funded the Alumni Breakfast on Homecoming morning. Our donation of \$5,500.00 allowed for two large tents, one for the Alumni to sit under, with podium and stage for presenters to speak to the audience, present awards, etc. The second tent was for round tables, complete with linen, fresh flower centerpieces & chairs where guests could enjoy coffee, tea, juice, bagels, fruit and yogurt. The remainder of the chairs were for general seating by the guests and public out in the open.



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The organizer of this event and a breakdown of the bill was made available by Ascheley Charles, the Alumni Projects and Events Coordinator. Ascheley also got me in touch with Master Graphics NYC to have a banner created that was on display at the Breakfast tent. Next year we have to do a better job getting our MUG Parents and MUGS to attend this yearly event, it was poorly attended. After breakfast the Alumni guests and MUG Parents watched as the Alumni reunion classes of 1959, 1964 and 1969 marched in and took their seats and then began the Pass in Review, with the beat of the drums, as the new class of 2023 marched into St. Mary's Pentagon.

During our meeting we discussed the absence of our Hospitality Chairwoman Gemma Solomos from attending events and/or providing hospitality and cold drinks at Indoc Graduation and Homecoming. We all expressed our concern with the Holiday Party coming up quickly and wanting her to spearhead the planning and activities. I left off that I would reach out to her. I communicated that her attendance at our November meeting is mandatory. We discussed that I would take care of the following prior to the next meeting.

- Create the Holiday Invitation ✓
- Invite the President, Commandant of Cadets, Ships Captain and the NROTC Captain to our November meeting as guest speakers ✓
- Coordinate with Conference Services to confirm the Special Events Room for our 12/06/19 Holiday Party ✓
- Coordinate with Conference Services to confirm the MAC for our 11/08/19 Parents Association Meeting ✓

New Business:

Jeannine Sesack nominated Steven Lowe to board, Mike Ripka 2nd. Steve has been volunteering with the SMPA before his daughter started INDOC. Thank you Steve.

Mike Ripka suggested setting up a SMPA table on the Mess Deck at Accepted Students day in the spring. We will have a captured audience to speak about our association and focus on new members.

We need to send out email blast out to membership regarding vacant positions, if interested send an email to us with about yourself, address, phone, email. Include list of dates we are on campus, job responsibility, etc.



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Our holiday party is quickly approaching. We need volunteers for party committee to organize Gift Baskets, buy poinsettias, 50/50, coordinate attendee list, work with Chartwells for table arrangements, arrange music. The jazz trio was very nice last year. The bigger band was great also. Band member 2/C
Jake Volpe 914-589-8541 may be contacted to arrange music.

Club Fund request forms reviewed and approved by board:

Ass. For Facilities Engineering- Bradley Sick VP \$500
ASHRAE Justin Dela Cruz President \$500
Student Engineering Justin Dela Cruz \$500
Schuyler Views Justin Dela Cruz \$500
Asian Appreciation Club Josiah Forbes Hart \$500
National Society of Black Engineers Josiah Forbes Hart \$500
Society of Naval Architects & Marine Engineers Lauren McCord \$500
International Student Org. Jesus Fanilla \$500
The Naval Design Club Jesus Fanilla \$500
Maritime Bowling Club Jesus Fanilla \$500

Bill Sesack will bring approved applications and checks to Arianne Romero @ Student Affairs Office Monday morning. Jeannine will contact Arianne Monday morning and confirm process of distributing club funds since Tom is traveling for work. Process to be reported at the November meeting.

Vice President Report

We spent \$5,473 for Homecoming Breakfast- we need to revisit this- there was a lot of wasted food; the waitress said there were not a lot of guests. We should review with Ashley. Who sponsored last year? 5 new members have joined the SMPA since the September meeting. 5 new members joined at Homecoming. Spreadsheet updated and emailed to executive board members.

Treasurer's Report

As of 10/16/19 \$41,334.43 minus \$5473.00 check to Maritime for the Homecoming Breakfast for tents, chairs, tables, flower centerpieces, and breakfast.

Corresponding Secretary Report

No report.

Store Mangers Report

Thanks to volunteers who helped with new 2019 order in September: Joe Donovan, Carmine, Kathy Vigiano, Billy Sesack (S), Joe Donovan (S), Austin Ford (S),
Discussed increasing insulated mug prices and updating products



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We received \$335 from Austin Ford's Summer Sea Term T-shirt sales. That is half of his sales. Austin's club will donate their half of sales to the Bahamian Hurricane Relief.

Hospitality Report

No report.

Respectfully submitted

Jamie Trupp Green