

Crown Point High School Alumni Association

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Meeting: Was called to order at 6:00 pm on September 25, 2024 by President Jay Mayden

9 Attendees: Jay Robert Mayden, President; Deborah Graves Deaton, Vice President; Audrey Gonlag Persinger, Secretary; Doug McCallister, Treasurer; Carrie Mays Mayden, Renee Rees Gross, Diane Hooks DePaoli, Board of Directors; Kelly Foster & Joe Foster

Secretary's Report: August 28, 2024 minutes were read and reviewed with no corrections or additions. A motion was made by Doug McCallister and seconded by Diane DePaoli to approve the minutes as written. None opposed

Treasurer's Report: Financials starting August 27, 2024 with a balance of \$33,203.19 through September 24, 2024 with an ending balance of \$26,419.03 were read and reviewed with no corrections or additions. A motion was made by Audrey Persinger and seconded by Deborah Deaton to approve the financial report as written. None Opposed

- Doug McCallister attended the Ambassador Program. Art Equihua gave an update on Crown Point schools. Crown Point has the #1 Teachers salary in the state. Eighty additional classrooms were built in the last school construction expansions.
- The new Jerry Caravana Scholarship has exceeded the original \$1,000.00 goal and is over \$2,000.00 as of now.
- T. J. Wirtz would like to set up a scholarship for the trades.

Vice President's Report:

- VP Deborah Deaton would like to visit the event venue, The Design Barn, to schedule a committee meeting to further discuss the awards/dinner details.

- Asked about the availability of business cards for marketing. Was informed these will be printed and available soon.

President's Report: Jay attended the Class of 1994 Reunion at Fricke's on September 7th. Alumni members, Jay Mayden, Carrie Mayden, Audrey Persinger and Rocky Davis attended the Class of 1974 Reunion at Innsbrook on September 14th. The Alumni felt very welcome. Attendees were grateful for the cake and the photos with the 50th balloon towers the Alumni donated. Contact info was given with no hesitation. President Jay Mayden spoke about the Alumni and future goals. The Class of 1974 plans to donate a contribution to the Alumni. Five new members signed that evening.

- A new member form needs to be developed and added to our website
- The 1974 Reunion photos are on the website
- Info is needed on the Class of 1968 75th Birthday Celebration July 26, 2025 at Buddy & Pals
- 125+ brochures were distributed at the CP Homecoming game. The Alumni had an entry in the parade again this year. Students and families have more information on the CPHS Alumni Association.
- Suggestion was made to mail brochures to members
- Working on updated banner, new seal and logo for the website
- Nancy Cowan Eksten is on board for an All-CP Alumni Reunion future fundraising event. A monetary split will be discussed.
- Doug McCallister as agreed to chair the Scholarship Committee
- Jonathan Kraft of Kraft Auctions suggested splurges or experiences for our fundraising auction event: weekend getaway, personal chef, out of town golf outing, out of town spa day, etc.
- Speak with Deb Macias about collecting auction items
- Need to draft a new CP Alumni Association member letter & certificate
- Nominations for CP Staff, Portrait of a Graduate & Teacher Hall of Fame were discussed
- There will be a new Breakfast Club for CP Alumni on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. The next breakfast is on Tuesday, 10/15/24 at 8:00 am at Twelve Islands Restaurant in Crown Point. Information about the Christmas Toy Drive will be provided.

Board of Director's Report: N/A

Policy and Procedures: N/A

Website & Database Report:

- Accurate and updated membership list is in the works

Motion to Adjourn: At 7:21 pm Doug McCallister made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Deborah Deaton

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 30, 2024 from 6-7:30 pm at the CP Community School Corporation located at 1050 S. Main St., Crown Point, IN 46307

Respectfully Submitted,

Audrey Persinger, Secretary