

Crown Point High School Alumni Association

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Meeting: Was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on January 28, 2026 by President Jay Robert Mayden

Meeting Location: 1050 S. Main St., Crown Point, IN 46307

10 Attendees: Executive Board Members: Jay R. Mayden, President; Deborah Graves Deaton, Vice President; Audrey Gonlag Persinger, Secretary; Doug McCallister, Treasurer; Teacher Rep.: Diane Hooks DePaoli; Board Members At-Large: Adam Graper, Renee Rees Gross, Carrie Mays Mayden & Rocky Macias Davis; Lifetime Member: Kelly Foster

Secretary's Report: December 17, 2025 minutes were read and reviewed with no corrections or additions. A motion was made by Rocky Davis and seconded by Doug McCallister to approve the minutes as written. None opposed

Treasurer's Report: Financials starting December 16, 2025 with a beginning balance of \$24,000.29 through January 26, 2026 with an ending balance of \$59,408.17 were read and reviewed. A motion was made by Deborah Deaton and seconded by Diane DePaoli to approve the financial report as written. None opposed

- CPHS Alumni Association P.O. Box has been renewed

Vice President's Report:

- Adam Graper informed us there will be two \$2,500.00 scholarships for The Emert H. Graper Teaching Scholarship. Don Gray will donate \$5,000.00 every year during his lifetime to this scholarship.
- 2026 Bulldog Evening of Stars committee meeting to follow tonight's Alumni meeting

President's Report:

- Update online scholarship applications
- Two new 2026 scholarships
- Current or future Board Members: please notify President, Jay R. Mayden, of intent for 2026 Elective Board positions asap
- Names for 2026 Elective Board positions will be posted and available to review on our website by March 1, 2026
- Biennial Board Member elections April 15, 2026 at the monthly meeting
- New Board Member terms start May 1, 2026
- Melissa Boe Martinez (class of 1976) donated a 1948 CPHS year book to the CPHS Alumni Association
- February 12, 2026, Bulldog Breakfast at Pappas Restaurant 1130 N. Main St., Crown Point @ 8:00 a.m.
- Rocky Davis asked about reserving a block of seats for class members attending the 1976 Reunion (same weekend), for the CPHS Homecoming game. Suggested early arrival would be best and for her to communicate with the CPHS Athletic Director.
- President Jay R. Mayden spoke with Karen Smith, donor of the Theodore W. Smith Art Scholarship in January of 2026. The Smith family no longer has the funds for this scholarship. February 1, 2026 Board Members were contacted and voted as a majority to retain and fund this \$1,500.00 scholarship. The scholarship will be renamed, The CPHS Alumni Association Arts Scholarship.

2026 Bulldog Evening of Stars Report:

- Bulldog Evening of Stars committee meeting started at 6:23 p.m. tonight following the CPHS Alumni Association meeting

Website & Database Report:

- Set up for online PayPal payments for the 2026 Bulldog Evening of Stars to be accessible on the website by February

Social Media Committee Report: N/A**Membership Committee Report:** N/A**Policy and Procedures:** N/A**Class Reunion Committee Report:** N/A**All Class Reunion Report:** N/A**Scholarship Committee Report:** N/A**Grant Committee Report:** N/A

Motion to Adjourn: At 6:23 p.m. Deborah Deaton moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Diane DePaoli. None opposed

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 25, 2026 from 6-7:30 p.m. at the CP Community School Corporation located at 1050 S. Main St., Crown Point, IN 46307

Respectfully Submitted,

Secretary Audrey Persinger