Meeting called to order at 10:32 a.m. by President Troy Morris.  

Members present were Troy Morris, Russell Guthrie, Dr. David Bryant, Gladys Schneider, Doug Lakely, Tito Aznar, Jack Strain, Johnnie Davis, Bryant Riffe, Amy TeBeest, Dr. Doris Looper, Jim Oblender, Sterrette Coffman, and Eric Begley. Advisers present were Dennis Schneider and Jessica Loiland. Guests present were Janet Kravig and Judd Kravig.

Jack Strain moved to accept the minutes of the January 6, 2007 board of directors’ meeting. Tito Aznar seconded the motion. Motion passed.

OPSU President Dr. David Bryant reported site work is underway for the new science-ag building. Building layout is scheduled for early April. With 14 months completion time, it should be completed in May 2008. Building would likely then be open for Fall 2008, and dedication would be Homecoming 2008. It was hard to pull almost $1 million out the plans to meet the subcontractor bids, but did so without compromising the structure. There is $183,500 left to raise for the Noble Challenge grant. This must be done by Dec 31, 2007. Football Homecoming will be September 29, 2007.

Foundation Executive Secretary Dr. Doris Looper reported assets of $6,333,475.86, including matching funds for the science-agriculture building ($340,450+$7350 in bricks). Some new scholarships: Gloria Willingham Nelson for women from Colorado in athletics; G & E McPherson Scholarship in music. The foundation now has electronic funds transfer capability for on-line donations. 13 scholarship recipients still need to pick up their checks. 170 scholarships will be awarded next year, with 1682 applications received for the 170.

Alumni Executive Secretary Guthrie reported:

- Life memberships are up. To date we have added 24 life members since April 1 of 2006. This is four more than last year.
- There are 13 life member payment plans to be completed in the next fiscal year.
- We have received annual members’ dues for 94 members, 13 members over last year.
- The 2007 anniversary cups are here.
- Plans are to make the move to McKee Library at the start of the summer when all three offices are in a state of slowdown.
- A nominee for executive secretary has been found.
- Mike Denney completed the examination of our financial records and completed the necessary forms for filing, which I then did file. Mike did so at no charge to the association, and even decided to purchase a life membership.
- The Sci Ag building brochure enclosed with Life members and paid annual members letters have produced over $1400 in brick sales and at least $4100 in direct contributions.
- An unaudited balance sheet and profit/loss statement for FY2006-2007 through March 29 is available.
Old Business

1. Wood Carving: Raffle sales will kick off at Annual Banquet. Motion made by Sterrette Coffman to print tickets and have ready for annual banquet. Motion seconded by Eric Begley. Motion passed.

Recommendation was made to have a table set up at commencement for selling tickets.

Motion made by Guthrie to encase the wood carving. Motion seconded by Sterrette Coffman. Jack Strain and Bryant Riffee volunteered to pay for a case. Motion passed.

2. Discussion of student membership guidelines: Up to four years of full-time, student membership would apply to a Life Membership. All monies will go into Life Corpus. Further benefits may be added. Motion made by Sterrette Coffman to have $10 Student Membership dues presented at the annual banquet and meeting. Motion seconded by Eric Begley. Motion passed.

3. Graduation gifts: Sterrette Coffman moved to incur necessary cost of getting gifts mailed to graduating seniors. Motion seconded by Bryant Riffee. Motion passed.

4. E-mail policies: Question was raised, “Can a background be added to emails?” Sterrette Coffman moved to adopt email policies. Motion seconded by Eric Begley. Motion passed with one negative vote.

5. Financial support for new science-agriculture building was discussed. Troy Morris noted the association had already indirectly supported the new construction with the brochure included in our annual mailing. No action was taken.

Committee Reports

1. Honored Family (Doug Lakely) No names have been suggested. Guthrie suggested the Avis Strasner Family of Keyes.

2. Banquet: Plaques are in. Banquet tickets have been printed and distributed for sale. Initial headcount needed by Monday after Easter. Foundation will have business to be conducted during meeting.

3. Nominations Committee (Jack Strain): Janet Kravig has agreed to accept Executive Secretary. For SE Colo, no one has been found; Judd Kravig has agreed to fill remaining two years of term.
   - Liz Gardner-McBee will return for NW Okla.
   - Jim Oblander has not said no so will return for Okla. Panhandle
   - Rusty Noble is being nominated, though has not been contacted
   - Gladys Schneider will not be returning, so we need a NE New Mexico
   - Amy TeBeest will not be returning, so need a Texas Panhandle

Guthrie mentioned Stacy (Palmer) Metcalf volunteered a year ago to fill a position, which would be Texas Panhandle. Also, Doris Akers in Follett was suggested.

Sterrette Coffman moved to have Judd Kravig fill the unexpired term of SE Colorado. Jim Oblander seconded motion. Motion passed.
Jack Strain nominated Russell Guthrie as an advisor to the board. Sterrette Coffman seconded the nomination. Motion passed.

5. Scholarship Committee (Sterrette Coffman): Five applicants were chosen to forward to the Foundation Scholarship Committee for final selection.

6. Centennial Buckle Committee (Jessica Lofland): has received the submissions from Guthrie. Discussion followed on how final selection could be made.

New Business

1. Jessica Lofland noted Miss Panhandle State (Shayla Koehn) will need support to go to Oklahoma City and compete in Miss Oklahoma, at least $1000. Jessica intends to bring Shayla to the annual banquet as her guest to meet alumni. Shayla’s platform is higher education support. In addition, Shayla has had to raise money for the Children’s Miracle Network.

2. Motion made by Guthrie to change all references to Executive Secretary in the Constitution to Executive Director. Motion seconded by Sterrette Coffman. Motion passed. Amendment will be presented at the annual meeting.

Next meeting date is open.

Troy Morris noted the college rodeo is the next weekend, and plays “Rumors” will be after the annual meeting. Jessica Lofland noted the Golf Course Grand Re-Opening will be April 30.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:16 p.m.

APPROVED

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Executive Secretary

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Date