

The Ohio State Alumni Club of Charleston, SC
Board Meeting, Saturday, October 1, 2016

PRESENT: Dawn Bowers, Andrew Stroman, Barry Thomas, Sharon Wallace and Jane Swick

Dawn Bowers, President, called the meeting to order at 9:45am at Sports Book, our game watch location, with a quorum established.

Leadership Conference – Barry displayed The Outstanding Club Award Certificate received at the conference. He will have the certificate framed and contact Josh to display certificate at Sports Book. Following items were some of the many topics of discussion at the conference:

- Clubs can send in reimbursement of \$50 for Board Meetings, need to have receipts of food purchased.
- We will need to send in our nominations for scholarships earlier and our money in by the end of December.
- Talked about mentoring
- Younger Alumni are needed in the Alumni Clubs, it is imperative to get them involved just not coming to game watches, looking at active involvement. Suggestion from the conference is to make a position on the board for under thirty, also have events for this age group.

Fund Raising – Dawn noted that Crisis Ministry or 180 has become very selective on their donations, we may want to look for another organizations such as Foster Closet for our pajama donations.

- Pajama Donations – Wisconsin Game, Saturday, October 15th
- Food Donations – Nebraska Game, Saturday, November 5th, food donated to Low Country Food Bank. Nebraska leader stated, “Good idea and serves a good cause.” Half time of the game, a suggestion we place food donated out on table, take a picture and Nebraska will do the same.
- Toys for Tots – Cancelled for 2016

Sale Items – Some of the items the Club has for sale are showing their age; although, how do we recoup the money spent for these items. We are non profit and should not sell below our cost.

- Bundle Idea – T shirt, mug **OR** stein for \$20 (need to get rid of the National Championship Shirts because they are dated)
- Mugs – 2 for \$10

- Dawn will make up a Christmas Basket of items as an idea for what members can do with items we have for sale.
- As for the red bags the decision was to put them away for the 2017 Golf Tournament.

Raffles

- Need to make officers aware of the items for the raffle each Saturday.
- First come, first served on all raffle items.
- **Dawn moved to have smaller raffle prizes added to the raffle, Barry seconded.**
Vote: 3 Yes, 2 No Motion passed.

Book Club – Tuesday, October 4th at Sports Book. Becky will need a sign in sheet for the event as well as receipts for food. Both sign in sheet and receipts are needed for reimbursement. Barry will talk with Josh concerning refreshments.

Social Media – One major problem are the repeated emails to Board members when items should be sent out on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

- Becky is the Chair of Social Media and upon a receipt of a notice, ex. Pajama Donation, should forward the message to her committee to be sent out.
- Sharon has had no guidance and would like to retire from Instagram. She is willing to help out Board members when in town.
- Andrew will take over Instagram

Events

- Speaker Dinner – need to start working on a date in April
- Oyster Roast – date selected Sunday, February 19th. **Barry will notify Greg.**
- Harbor Cruise – date selected Thursday, July 13th
- Golf Outing – will be at Crowfield, Barry is working with the golf course at present.

Sports Book – Interaction with Fan Zone

As an Alumni Club we need to build a relationship with Fan Zone, the gentleman is selling what the Club does not have for sale and the Board needs not to be negative towards him. Barry has talked with Josh about contacting the gentleman again and relate our thoughts.

Club Polo Shirts – do we need to order? Barry suggested we go another week to see how many orders are received.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 am. Next meeting TBA

Respectfully submitted, Jane Swick, Secretary