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FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2023

Facilitator: Mary Ann Dickson
Time Meeting Start: 2:00 p.m. (ET)
Meeting End Time: 3:45 p.m. (ET)

MEETING MINUTES

WELCOME
Alumni Council President Mary Ann Dickson welcomed everyone to the first spring meeting to be held during alumni weekend, and welcomed those joining on Zoom. She highlighted the Thursday night lighting the quad blue event, and how council members will have a role in the weekend – from giving HopTalks to introducing events.

SECRETARY’S REPORT
Secretary Claudia DeCarlo asked for and received approval of the February 21 meeting minutes.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATE
Mary Ann Dickson and first Vice President Judy Keen, who both sit on the University Board of Trustees, provided highlights of University news as follows:

- The Woodrow Wilson Award naming is still in committee.
- Provost Sunil Kumar is leaving JHU to become president of Tufts University. Executive Vice Provost for Academic Affairs Stephen Gange will serve as interim provost and VP for Academic Affairs. A global search is underway for Sunil’s replacement.
- The JHU Police Department implementation is underway with more information available at https://publicsafety.jhu.edu
- The Board has relaunched its strategic planning efforts and a draft will be released soon.
• It has been another great undergraduate admission year for JHU with more than 38,000 undergrad student applicants. The class of 2027 will have 18% first generation college attendees.

• PhD students now have union representation.

• Capital projects include the Stavros Niarchos Foundation Agora Institute building, which will open in early 2024; the Hopkins Student Center, to open fall of 2024; and the 555 Penn building in Washington, D.C., with a fall 2023 opening. The university wide Johns Hopkins Nexus awards -- a $15 million fund for faculty-led proposals for research, courses, and convenings -- will be specifically designed for and held at 555 Penn.

OFFICE OF ALUMNI RELATIONS UPDATES

Each of these updates is outlined in the attached PowerPoint.

Central Alumni Office Updates – Jason Heiserman, Sr. Director of Alumni Relations
Special Projects – Janine Tucker, Director of Special Projects
Hopkins Possible Updates – Brian Shields, Sr. Director of Communications

COMMITTEE BREAKOUTS

Mary Ann introduced the chairs of the four committees. Each committee was asked to meet for 30 minutes.

Alumni Experience - Bill Kirst

Engaging Future Alumni - Mike Pryzby

Building Diverse Leadership - Lou Bartolo and Joe Yoon
The committee discussed the awards nomination form and criteria and recommended the following:
• Do not allow links to articles, etc., or CVs to be submitted.
• Ask the writer to curate their nomination and provide a description of skills and activities and a biosketch.
• The giving history should only be used for the Heritage Award criteria.
• Can we better define “bringing credit to the University and their profession”?
• Ask diverse groups to submit nominations and do not judge nominees based on diversity, but rather aim for a diverse pool of candidates.

Operations - Mike Waters

SUMMARY
Mary Ann thanked everyone for their thoughtful discussions and invited the group to the next activity, a student alumni networking session at the Imagine Center.

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 2023

Facilitator: Mary Ann Dickson
Time Meeting Start: 8:30a.m. (ET)
Meeting End Time: 3:00p.m. (ET)

BUSINESS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

WELCOME BACK
Mary Ann highlighted the previous evening’s events, which included a BBQ Bash and a student arts showcase. She thanked Council members who participated in these events:

- Diane Orlinsky’s skin care talk introduced by Rosanna Corbin
- Will Linder’s and Ralph Hruban’s book talk introduced by Bob Garnet
- Bill Kirst’s emceeing the student arts showcase
- Sonia Sarkar’s introduction of the Billie Holiday talk
- Mike Waters’ introduction of the asteroid DART talk

TREASURER’S REPORT

Brian Fruchey gave an overview of the expense/revenue sheet, noting that the numbers were on target.

ALUMNI COUNCIL BENCHMARKING UPDATE

Erin Yun, Director of Volunteer Engagement, and Jason Heiserman gave an overview of the benchmarking project, which has been presented to many groups – the Steering Committee, The Executive Committee, Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations Fritz Schroeder, the Executive Team, and the Associate Deans. The PowerPoint describing the project is attached and will be made available on OneHop.

There was discussion about the recommendations, and a general consensus that the conversation is ongoing and will be continued over the summer so that recommendations can be presented at the fall meeting. There should be more focus on onboarding, taking advantage of members’ skills, continuing the exit interviews, offering emeritus status to those going off the council, and continuing to cultivate the relationships.
SUMMARY SESSION

Mary Ann thanked everyone for their candor, honesty, and reflections on this important subject. She invited everyone to continue to think about the conversations today and to share observations and further thoughts with her, each other, on OneHop, and in a survey that will follow. Brian Fruchey will create an anonymous survey so members can provide feedback; he will share the survey findings.

Mary Ann invited all to the traditional crab cake luncheon, lacrosse game, Alumni Council Cocktail party followed by the Senior Class Cocktail party and Hullabalooza dance party.

Invitees:

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Friday, April 14, 2 – 3:45 pm.

1. Welcome – Mary Ann Dickson, A&S ’97, President Johns Hopkins Alumni Council
2. Secretary’s Report – Claudia DeCarlo, Bus ‘15, Secretary, Johns Hopkins Alumni Council
3. Board of Trustees Update – Mary Ann Dickson and Judy Keen, A&S ’98, BSPH ’02, Med ’04, 1st Vice President, Johns Hopkins Alumni Council
4. Office of Alumni Relations Updates
   a. Central Alumni Office Updates – Jason Heiserman, Sr. Director, Alumni Relations.
   b. Special Projects – Janine Tucker, Director Special Projects
   c. Hopkins Possible updates – Brian Shields, Sr. Director Communications
5. Committee Meetings
   a. Alumni Experience, Bill Kirst, A&S ’00
   b. Engaging Future Alumni, Mike Pryzby, Engr ’09
   c. Building Diverse Leadership, Lou Bartolo, Nurs ’18, Joe Yoon, A&S ’00
   d. Operations, Mike Waters, Engr ’06
6. Summary – Mary Ann Dickson

Saturday, April 15, 10:15 am – 12:15 pm

1. Welcome Back – Mary Ann Dickson
2. Treasurer’s Report – Brian Fruchey, Bus ’10, Treasurer, Johns Hopkins Alumni Council
3. Benchmarking with the Steering Committee, Jason Heiserman, and Erin Yun, A&S ’94, Director of Volunteer Engagement
4. Open Discussion
5. Summary – Mary Ann Dickson