## Minutes Penn Manor Alumni Association

## **April 3, 2012**

The Penn Manor Alumni Association met on the above-cited date in the Alumni Room at Penn Manor High School. President, Michael McDonald called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The following members were in attendance: Michael McDonald, Linda Millard, Fred Wilds II, Cindy LaMaster, Frank Geist, Dolores Warfel, Nancy Smith, Jan Mindish, Judy Duke, Melissa Ostrowski, Gillian Graham, and Joyce Ludwig.

Michael McDonald thanked everyone for their support during his tenure as president. He stated that even though new officers will become effective July 1, 2012 he will continue to be active in the alumni association. Those in attendance thanked him for his service as an excellent president.

The minutes of the November 1, 2011 meeting were approved on a motion by Linda Millard, a second by Judy Duke and a unanimous voice vote of those in attendance.

Judy Duke gave the treasurer's report. She stated that the association has a balance of \$91,326.56 which includes monies in CD's, checking and the money market. Judy reviewed current income and expenses. The treasurer's report was approved on a motion by Nancy Smith, a second by Fred Wilds and a unanimous voice vote of those in attendance.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

The 2012 Homecoming was discussed. It is scheduled for October 12. The committee for this event will be chaired by Fred Wilds. Other committee members will be Michael McDonald, Frank Geist, and Dolores Warfel.

Nancy Smith provided an update on PMAA volunteer activities. She stated that PMAA volunteer services are no longer needed by the high school or middle schools. Volunteers help with PMAA mailings and are available for help when needed on other projects.

Frank Geist provided an update with regard to the Class of 1962 Reunion and their planned attendance at this year's graduation. Graduation will once again be held at F&M College. Phil Gail, high school principal, will be arranging special

seating for class members attending the ceremony. In addition, the class of 1962 will provide PMAA with an up-to-date mailing list of their class members for use in updating our Harris Directory records.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Kim Schlemmer Braun, Class of 1990, was in attendance representing the Penn Manor Pride Gridiron Club. She asked permission to use PMAA's Harris Directory services to do a broadcast e-mail to alumni members regarding the club's membership drive. Frank Geist said that use of the directory services would provide the Gridiron Club with an excellent venue for reaching out to the community at no cost to the association. He said he spoke to Kim earlier regarding this item and that the broadcast e-mail would instruct alumni receiving it to contact Kim. Kim read the letter which is proposed for broadcast emailing. This request was approved on a motion by Joyce Ludwig, a second by Fred Wilds, and a unanimous voice vote of those in attendance. Michael McDonald suggested mentioning this cooperative effort in the next issue of the Comet Chatter. Those in attendance supported this suggestion.

The following individuals were elected to the offices cited:

Fred Wilds II – President Melissa Ostrowski – Vice President Gillian Graham – Recording Secretary Dolores Warfel – Corresponding Secretary Judy Duke – Treasurer Cindy LaMaster - Archivist

Discussion took place regarding scholarships given by PMAA at graduation. The Biemesderfer award is presented to the class valedictorian and the Mary Klemmer Award is presented to the salutatorian of the class. The Excellence in Art Award, which is funded by an anonymous alumnus, is chosen by the Art Department. Michael said a committee was needed to review applications for the Louella Mellinger \$500 award and decide who the recipient will be. It was determined that the committee would consist of Michael McDonald, Fred Wilds and Dolores Warfel. Michael McDonald will present the award this year.

Michael McDonald asked if there were any suggestions for items to be included in the summer edition of the newsletter. Any suggestions those attending might have should be given to Frank Geist by early June. Cindy Rhoades has agreed to be our editor for the newsletter and will be taking pictures at commencement which can be included in it.

Frank Geist said a letter from PMAA will once again be included in packets received by graduating seniors. It will congratulate them on their graduation and inform them about the association. He reminded those in attendance that the annual dues letter will be going out this summer. The summer edition of the Comet Chatter will be ready for distribution at the same time and will be included with the letter.

Meeting dates for next year will be as follows:

September 4, 2012 November 13, 2012 April 2, 2013

The meetings will be held in the alumni room at the high school and will begin at 6:30 p.m. Cindy Rhoades will be given this information for inclusion in next year's school calendar.

The meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m. on a motion by Linda Millard, a second by Nancy Smith and a unanimous voice vote of those in attendance.

The next meeting will be held on September 4, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. in the high school library alumni room.