

Incarnate Word Academy Alumnae Association Minutes  
March 5, 2009 5:30 PM  
Conference Room in the Theater Building

**Attendance:** Kate Flatley, Jenny Jones, Lauren Durand, Amy Hercules, Audrey Steinfeld, Julie Hercules, Mindy Sorber, Kelly Long, Peggy O'Brien

**Principals Report:**

Kate Flatley read a letter sent to the Board from Dr. Randy stating that as of March, there are 132 accepted freshman, 130 Steinfeld scholars, and 7<sup>th</sup> grade visitors are now on campus.

I. Old Business:

A. Email Collection

Kate and Jenny discussed how important it is to keep this as a top of mind issue, bring 10-15 email addresses to next meeting is the goal.

B. Hall of Fame

Julie discussed how awesome the Hall of Fame event was. There were 370 guests.

C. Catholic Schools Week

Amy discussed that the Alumnae Association provided the school with donuts on Fat Tuesday. The original date of the donut distribution was canceled due to weather.

D. Tea Party

Peggy reported on the hugely successful Tea Party. We had more people in attendance than last year. There were dress-up cloths, crafts and treats for the attendees.

E. Bavarian Pre-Party

Hospitality Committee and Mindy Sorber reported on the very fun party before the show of The Sound of Music. There were Fitz's Rootbeer floats, Gus's pretzels, and crafts that the kids enjoyed. \$85 was collected in donations.

F. Career Day

Kate Flatley reported that Career Day is March 19<sup>th</sup>. The informational meeting with the presenters is immediately following this meeting. The Career Day program was shortened to two sessions at 40 minutes each. There are 30 alumnae volunteers.

G. Easter Egg Hunt

Jenny Jones discussed the Easter Egg Hunt committee's plans for the event including: purchasing more eggs, simple crafts and games, and cutting down on the variety of breakfast foods. It was requested that the Alumnae Association attends the event.

H. Auction

Lauren Durand, and Kate Hutton reported on the sub-committees work on soliciting items to be donated from the Alumnae Association. There is an Alumnae Only Online Raffle for pearl bracelet donated from Genovese Jewelers. The Auction is April 4<sup>th</sup>. The board voted and approved to underwrite the Auction for \$1600.

I. 2009 Reunion Celebration

Kate Flatley discussed that meetings have already started for the celebration August 1<sup>st</sup>. The Golden Girls, c/o 1959 have also begun planning.

## II. New Business

### A. Memorial Mass

Jenny and Peggy discussed the planning of the Memorial Mass. The biggest issue is coming up with new and fresh invitations that will also be cost effective. Last year the invitations cost \$600. It was decided to provide a light breakfast like last year.

### B. Alum Angels

Amy Hercules asked if we should continue to do the hand written notes or should we do a generic printed type note. The Board decided that the girls appreciate the handwritten notes and we will continue to do it this way. We are going to mail out the note cards to be filled out and turned back in at the May meeting.

### C. Ring Day Gift

Amy Hercules reported that last year everyone liked the Ring Pop gift with the note from the Alumnae Association, so these will be distributed again this year.

### D. Teacher Appreciation Gift

Kate Flatley and Amy reported that this year we are going to give a nice cloth grocery tote with the IWA emblem.

### E. Alum of the Year

Kate Flatley reported that there will no longer be the nomination form in the *Alum News* magazine because they need the space and there has never been a good response. The nomination form is online.

### F. Baccalaureate Reception

Kate Flatley asked if we should order t-shirts for the girls, saying something about now being a “New Alum”. We decided to keep the cake and punch as always before.

Extra Notes: There will no longer be a Mouse Races Event. Julie Hercules presented the idea of a “bowling night” fundraiser. The date of the July meeting was changed to July 9<sup>th</sup>.