

Fairdale Alumni Association
Minutes of Regular Meeting March 17, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by President Linda Ray.

In attendance were Linda Ray, Mike Thompson, Ron Weston, Dottie Hicks, Pam Hicks, Brandon Feusner and Cherie Weston.

The minutes of January 20, 2005 were approved as read.

Let the minutes reflect that **there was no meeting in February** due to the sudden death of Rodger Mullins, Fairdale High alumnus and good friend of alumni members.

Our attorney has advised that we may file form 990 EZ as our income is under \$100,000. We are a 501c7 non-profit corporation – donations to the alumni are not tax deductible and we are not eligible for a gaming license. We are independent from the school. He also said that most alumni associations are c7. Ron Weston stated that funds are available to non-profits via the Metro Council.

Pam Hicks reported on the Coral Ridge Elementary reading night. She distributed “Fairdale High Alumni” pencils and erasers. This was also done for the Mayor’s Cup quick recall competition at Coral Ridge.

Dottie Hicks presented three student drawings for the **bookmark logo competition** sponsored by the alumni. **L. G. Miles was chosen the winner and will be given the \$50 award.** Linda Ray will take the drawing to a printer for production.

The alumni received a certificate of appreciation from the band boosters for our support in 2004.

Our annual report must be filed with the Secretary of State by June 30. Cherie Weston will facilitate.

Dottie Hicks reported that **the alumni may use the school’s bulk mailing permit and stamp for the mass mailing** we are making to as many alumni as we have in our data base. We are in the process of collecting lists from the various classes as they become available.

Email was received from Maryann Eaton requesting copies of minutes as she is unable to attend meetings. Cherie Weston will either email or post mail minutes to her.

Motion made by Ron Weston, seconded by Mike Thompson and carried to give two \$500 scholarships this year. Dottie Hicks will inform Ms. Dennison. Criteria for choosing recipients will be discussed at our next meeting. Mentioned at this meeting were grade point average, economic level, extra curricular activities and essay.

Brandon Feusner, 2004 FHS graduate and now Director of Football Operations, informed the alumni of several options to support the football program and promote the alumni association. **Motion made by Ron Weston, seconded by Mike Thompson and carried to purchase a full page ad in the football program and a banner to be displayed on football field fence at a cost of \$350.** Linda Ray will contact Diane Edwards concerning the logo and wording for the ad and banner. Attendance at games was discussed and suggestion made for hosting “Elementary Nights” along with a competition for the best school spirit and free admission for children. No action taken.

Ron Weston volunteered to contact businesses to raise funds for the alumni. Mike Thompson agreed to assist.

Dottie Hicks reported that FHS math team placed third in district.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Cherie Weston
Secretary