Minutes Dartmouth Class of 1968 meeting, 7/17/21, 10 AM-12 PM EDT

Attending:

David Peck, Presiding Roger Witten, Vice-President/Give a Rouse Awards Chair Jim Lawrie, Treasurer/Webmaster/CSP Coordinator Jack Hopke, Secretary Norm Silverman, Mini-Reunion Chair Tom Stonecipher, Alumni Council Representative Parker Beverage, Head Agent Mark Waterhouse, Newsletter Editor Joe Grasso, Memorialist Peter Hofman, CSP Coordinator Peter Wonson, CSP Coordinator John Engelman Cedric Kam Bill Rich **Roger Anderson** Gerry Bell John Pfeiffer Ron Weiss Peter Fahey Tom Couser Joe Nathan Wright David Walden Dave Gang

David P. calls meeting to order at 10:02.

Minutes of 5/8/21 are approved.

Give a Rouse Program: Roger W. says preparations for the 10/9 awards dinner are in order. Ten of the eleven recipients plan to attend. RW solicits nominations for next year's awards, as well as for one committee member from among this year's recipients, since Peter Hofman and John Engelman will leave and Dick Olsen will join.

Officer reports/Tom S., Alumni Council Representative: There have been significant changes in Council structure, which will be addressed later. The major issue before the Council now is cost of admissions and availability of funds to students, along with diversity matters. TS reminds that individuals may address questions and concerns directly to College representatives, as well as to him for Council presentation. David P. initiates a discussion of President Hanlon's tenure. Jennifer Sargent has reported the integration of the writing program into the English department.

Officer reports/Parker B., Head Agent: Our class raised \$424,804 for DCF, well ahead of \$350K goal. Funds came from 333 donors, 5 above 50% goal. The Class will give \$450 to 5 non-DCF entities as a result of efforts to solicit DCF gifts from givers to non-DCF organizations. Other classes' gift levels are discussed.

Officer reports/Joe Grasso, Memorialist: Rick Toothman has passed away. Bill R. mentions a Monk Williams memorial ceremony on 9/12. Authorization procedure for publishing obituaries is discussed.

Officer reports/Jim Lawrie, Treasurer/Webmaster/CSP: We have \$35K in our bank account (\$10K of that in Blacks at Dartmouth fund) and \$217 K in investments. Income is \$91K, \$55K of which was transferred in from Vanguard account to cover funds we sent to student emergency fund. Class dues brought in \$21K. Expenses totaled \$77K, mostly for class projects. Website had 368 users over the past three months, with most to webinar page, then CSP. We want to know how our donation to freshman trips is being used. We are still seeking suggestions for assistant in these offices.

Officer reports/Mark Waterhouse, Editor: We are a month away from content deadline for September issue. Publicity of GAR dinner is discussed.

Officer reports/Jack Hopke, Secretary: No new business.

Officer reports/Gift Planning, Ed Heald (absent, David P. reads note): No new business; Greenbrier email sent, Brandon Dunes golf trip full.

Officer reports/Norm Silverman, Mini-Reunion Chair: GAR dinner: John E. reports on type of dinner and costs, invitation to John Everett family member, parade/bonfire/tailgate/football; Norm S. reports Okemo has been booked for ski trip in January, '22; Jim L. reports on Park City ski trip in late February, '22 and (full)Yellowstone trip arranged by Dave Dibelius; Norm S. reports Hawaii half-booked with room for six more couples. David P. initiates discussion of events of May, '22: GAR, Douglass bust dedication, Blacks at Dartmouth exhibition, etc; target date for mini-reunion is weekend of 5/14/22. Costs involved with Greenbrier and possible alternatives are discussed. Motion is made and passed to reimburse Ed H. for \$2813 in deposit moneys. Norm is speaking with Class of '67 about possible Broadway/Zaks mini-reunion.

Seminars: Four in fall: J. Sargent, J. Laurie, T. Couser, C. Wadlow; also (after World Series) G. Bell

Dartmouth Black Alumni exhibit/John Pfeiffer: Woody Lee and I are working with Jay Satterfield, Head of Special Collections. Five large exhibit cases will be made available through June, '22, after which the exhibit will be available on the library's website. Theme is "The Education of Blacks at Dartmouth." Each case will highlight one of five eras: 1769-1835, 18281865, 1865-1900, 1900-1950, and 1950-1976. Further details will appear in the newsletter and class website.

Fanfare/Processional Commissioning/Cedric Kam: Fanfare will be played at Commencement, '22. It will be rearranged for and played by a professional brass quintet. Cost \$1000. (The Dartmouth Wind Ensemble will play the original version at a concert next spring.) Brian Messier has suggested that we do not commission further fanfare entries, rather that we allocate the remaining \$4000 to the Hopkins Center's Mexican Initiative and possibly engage a Mexican composer to write a piece. A proposal for the spending and for naming of the piece will be presented at October meeting. A motion to spend \$1000 for the brass arrangement is made and passed.

Community Service Project/Peter Hofman: We held a series of Zoom calls, attended by 34 classmates and spouses. More calls to come.

55th reunion planning/David Peck: Do we start planning? Discussion of possible location and organizer. Gerry B. does not volunteer!

Architecture discussion

WDCR/WFRD discussion

Meeting is adjourned at 12:01PM