

Bi-Annual Meeting
Saturday, October 1, 2022

Meeting Minutes

- I. **Call to Order** – Shonna Vance, president of the association, called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m. CST
- II. **Approval of Minutes** – Minutes were read and approved by Carol Hammer and Leah Nolan
- III. **Report of Officers**
- **President** – Shonna Vance reported on the status of the Parent Association. During summer 2022, we were able to participate in summer orientation again after 2 years managing the pandemic. In total, we participated in 13 of the 14 Freshman Orientation sessions by hosting our membership drive and merchandise sales. In addition, we hosted our parent association goodie box stuffing events prior to finals week in both the fall and spring semesters.
- In addition, Shonna mentioned The Association made a budget change last year with a priority to serve students through our scholarship funds. Continued growth in both merchandise and membership sales have allowed us to support students through scholarships each semester.
- **Vice President** – Shonna Vance (in the absence of Ana Sanchez) reported membership totals from summer orientation. It was reported that the Parent Association currently has 1,660 member families, 444 new members at all levels, and 78 renewing members.
- Shonna reminded the group that membership recruitment for the year is on-going through the end of February and then reopens in June.
- IV. **University Reports**
- Parent Programs update – Brianna Rutledge, Coordinator of Parent Programs, provided the Parent Programs update.
- Parent Orientation participation increased 1.16% from last year with a total of 2,265 participants. We also brought back the Spanish Language Family Orientation and had a total of 113 students and families that participated.
- Parent Programs hosted a total of 9 Summer Send Off parties and saw a total of 831 participants. Additionally, we were able to award \$250 Green & White Scholarships at each Summer Send-Off Party.
- Parent Programs is excited to continue hosting Mean Green Family Live webinars this year. These webinars are informational sessions for parents on topics that are relevant during the student college experience. The first one will be with the Student Health and Wellness Center scheduled for October 19. Finally, we began mailing out the Seasons of Adjustment calendar began mailing mid-September.
- University Update - Stephanie Brown, Director of Orientation and Transition Programs, provided the university update.
- UNT once again has record breaking enrollment with a fall total of 44,502 students as of the census date. In addition, this fall we enrolled the largest freshman class in UNT history with 6,495 students. Another

key marker of enrollment is that our graduate student enrollment has also increased this semester. Some focus areas for the university for enrollment are transfer student engagement and enrollment.

In terms of the university's response to the larger student population, the semester has started with space challenges. Eagle Landing is currently seeing 6,800 people in the facility each day. Construction has begun on a new market that will open behind Eagle Landing. Additionally, Housing is currently at 100% capacity with 6,419 students living on campus. 82% of the Freshman class is living on campus. The semester did start with some space challenges and the university is currently pursuing the plans for a new residence hall but that will not provide an immediate solution as it takes 2 years to build the building.

In addition, Counseling and Testing Services has introduced topical based groups for counseling diverse students. Also, the Dean of Students recently hosted a mobile food pantry in partnership with Tarrant Area Food Bank to assist the community with immediate food insecurities and applying for assistance

V. **New Business**

- Approval of the FY23 Budget
 - The Association reviewed the expense report for FY22, and Stephanie Brown presented the proposed budget for FY23. A motion was made by Debbie Reece to approve the FY23 budget. The motion was seconded by Carol Hammer and approved.
- Election of officers – the following officer positions were filled through the election process:

Board Position	Name
President	Susannah Keneda
President Elect	Leah Nolan
Vice President	Stacie Martinsen
Secretary	Natasha Johnson- Murphy
Parliamentarian	Ana Sanchez
Historian	Gilbert Dail Neely
Past President	Shonna Vance

VI. **Dates to Remember**

- Saturday, November 5 – Homecoming
- Thursday, November 24 – Friday, November 25 – Thanksgiving Break (no classes, university closed)
- **Saturday, December 3 – Fall Goodie Box Stuffing Event**
- Thursday, December 8 – Last Class Day of Fall 2022 Semester
- Friday, December 9 – Reading Day (no classes)
- Saturday, December 10 – Friday, December 16 – Finals
- Friday, December 16 - Residence Halls Close at 5pm
- Friday, December 26 – Friday, December 30 – Winter Break (no classes, university closed)
- Monday, January 16 – MLK Day (university closed)
- Tuesday, January 17 – First Class Day Spring 2022

VII. **Passing of the Gavel to Susannah Keneda**

- The formal passing of the gavel for the new President was conducted. Susannah was welcomed to her new role by Shonna.

VIII. **Adjournment** – Susannah called for adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 11:36 a.m. CST

A total of 32 members participated in the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Brianna Rutledge.