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Wednesday, September 13, 2017

Location: Sam Houston High School, Room 1320 – Arlington, Texas

Attendees: See Sign-In Sheet

- Welcome and Call to Order was at 7:05pm, followed by Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.
- Erica Garcia read August Minutes. Bob Callas moved to accept the minutes as read; Melynda Merrifield second; motion approved.
- Nicia Harrison read August Treasurer's Report. Melynda Merrifield moved to accept treasurer's report as read; Brenda Allen Wolf second; motion approved.
- Brenda Allen Wolf
 - Texas Rangers Foundation
 - Alumni were presented the Texas Rangers Foundations Grant for \$10,000 on September 12th!
 - The grant commitment must be completed within a year.
 - Alumni will work with AISD to determine how to move forward on implementing project.
 - Pitching machine is specific to baseball team; however we will try to work with vendors and fundraising to assist softball team also.
 - Melynda Merrifield confirmed that despite it being a grant, it is income and money must be spent by May.
 - Al Critz can post on the Class of 1967 facebook group for assistance when alumni decide on a work date.
 - Baseball field does not yet have a name. Bob Callas suggested proposing naming the field along with the renovations.
 - Scholarship Plaque
 - Received quotes from:
 - All-American Awards (alumni) \$726 – offered to do all of the engravings for free
 - Accent Awards \$935 – engravings and plaque
 - Bridgewater Trophy \$739 – does not include engravings
 - Jayme Thomas motioned to increase line item budget for Scholarship Plaque to meet the lowest quote that Brenda presented; Darla Peznell second; motion approved.
- Jayme Thomas
 - Presented North Texas Giving Day information:
 - Thursday, September 14 from 6am to 11:59pm
 - Various donations stations/locations but the alumni focus will be on the Arlington Gives Rally.
 - Donations can be pre-set online; however, you cannot pick a specific

time to donate.

- **Donate from 2 to 7pm! Help us win bonus funds!**
- We will have 3-4 StuCo students to walk around and encourage SHHS alumni votes.
- Show up EARLY to vote! Voting ends at 8pm.
- Retweet the pinned tweet on [twitter.com/shhsalumni!](https://twitter.com/shhsalumni)

- General Comments

- Class of 1977 requested alumni reps (Judy Thomas) to check-in attendees for reunion. Event is September 30 at Elks Lodge in Arlington. Starts at 7pm. (Mike Ledford)
 - Class of 1982 35th reunion is October 14 at Beto's in Grand Prairie – Great Southwest and i20. Starts at 8pm. Requested Judy Thomas if possible. (Bud Schwab)
 - If enough funds are made during NTX Giving Day, could some funds be applied to the baseball grant project? We also have a spirit gift line item. (Bob Callas/Brenda Allen Wolf)
 - Student personally thanked Jayme Thomas when he realized she was a member of the alumni association who was awarded \$10,000 for the baseball field renovations/equipment. (Jayme Thomas)
 - David Inman thanked the alumni for those personal donations for the bell. It was a great help. (David Inman)
 - Idea to take suggestion box to reunions for names/nominations to rename fields/gyms/etc at SHHS. (Brenda Allen Wolf)
 - Encourage class gifts to the alumni association during class reunions! (Brenda Allen Wolf)
 - If anyone volunteered for the Class of 1967 reunion, Al Critz will contact volunteers within the next week. (Al Critz)
- Meeting adjourned at 8:11pm.