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September General Meeting

Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 6:30pm

Location: Hosted live on Zoom

Board Members in Attendance: Laura Heymann, Darla Peznell, Erica Garcia, Jayme Thomas

Board Members Not in Attendance: N/A

Additional Attendees: See Sign-In Sheet

**The President and Secretary were present at the meeting.*

- Welcome and Call to Order was at 6:37pm, followed by Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence.
- Laura Heymann announced that August Minutes were posted online. Melody Rushing motioned to accept the minutes as posted; motion was seconded by Nicia Dibben; motion approved.
- Jayme Thomas read August-September Treasurer's Report. Nicia Dibben motioned to accept the report as read; motion was seconded by Jo Anna Cardoza; motion approved.
- President's Announcements – Laura Heymann
 - Texans Helping Texans Program – First Request of 2020-21 School Year
 - The board received an emergency text from the PEP counselor. There was a new student who was on their last can of formula for their baby. Because the baby requires a special kind of formula, the PEP counselor didn't have any in her inventory and contacted the alumni. Board voted to assist the PEP student, and Jayme purchased the formula before dropping it off with the PEP counselor the next day!
 - There will likely be additional requests for assistance starting September 28th, when students go back to campus. (This is pushed back from the original start date of September 14th.)
 - Faculty & Staff Back to School Breakfast
 - With the start of on-campus teaching being pushed back, we will also be pushing back the breakfast date.
 - Best course of action will likely be to drop off shelf-stable food items for faculty/staff to pick-up their preferred snacks as needed. This will help keep distancing between faculty/staff and avoid the in-person serving.
 - Date to deliver items will be determined after contacting Mr. V.
 - Football & Volleyball Schedules
 - All football games and all home volleyball games have been added to the Calendar on the alumni website: www.shstexans.org/calendar.
 - We encourage fans to go support the athletes if they'd like to get out of the house and enjoy some hometown sports!
 - Homecoming game is scheduled for Thursday, October 8th at Globe Life Park (old Rangers ballpark).
 - Fall Fling
 - The association has secured an online auction website to begin selling raffle "baskets" online. The site will be open for a few weeks to allow for bidding.

- The board will be contacting J. Gilligan's to find out if they are able to host large parties or if there are limits to group sizes. Regardless if we can formally hold an in-person event, the auction website will be live.
 - The dates for the auction and in-person event are yet to be finalized; will be dependent on J. Gilligan's answer, as well as local government guidelines.
 - Toolbox Grant & Consultant Update
 - Several consultants were interviewed and the awardee was selected. An initial call was held with the consultant, and workshops are tentatively scheduled for October.
 - The goal is to have a strategic plan completed by December to allow actual plans to start coming to fruition in the Spring semester.
 - Additional Grant Updates
 - Woman Inspiring Philanthropy (WIP) Grant – WIP reps are touching base with the finalists to determine if their proposal needs are still current. The alumni association has advised that our proposal is still active. If there are no awards in January, then a new grant cycle will begin in March.
 - Arlington Chamber of Commerce – The alumni did not win the Small Non-Profit Business of the Year award, but we are still honored to have been nominated!
 - Two more grant applications will be going out this fall/winter.
 - North Texas Giving Day NEXT THURSDAY!
 - NTXGD is coming up! Last year, we raised over \$5,000 for the Texans Helping Texans Program. This year, we are raising money for the Alumni Support Applications (ASAs) to help directly support kids in extra-curriculars and their sponsors.
 - **If you can't donate next Thursday, September 17th, the website is open for donations already! You can donate at www.northtexasgivingday.org/shsalumni – thank you for your support!**
- Questions/Comments
 - None
- Meeting adjourned at 7:02pm.
- Minutes submitted by Secretary, Erica Garcia.