

MINUTES: DARTMOUTH COLLEGE CLASS OF 1968 COMMITTEE MEETING, 10 AM EDT, MAY 18, 2024, BLUNT ALUMNI CENTER/HANOVER and online.

ATTENDING: (in person) Kam (presiding), Olson, Walden, Witten, Marcus, Silverman, Engelman, Waterhouse, Beverage, Lenke, Rich, Wright; (online) Lawrie, Hopke, Lee, Gang, Stanley, Weiss, Ross

PROJECT GREEN LIGHT: Don M. introduces awardee Sasha Agenor, a senior in the Film and Media Studies Department, who has minors in digital arts and African American studies. She describes the subject of her film, technical aspects, current and future stages of production/post-production, and plans for a formal screening on campus upon completion. Due date for the project is September 30

MINUTES OF APRIL 6 MEETING: approved

OFFICER REPORTS:

Dartmouth College Fund: Dave S. announces goal of \$350K; current amount is \$263. Participation goal is 50%, which is 313 classmates. 204 have donated. Double efforts are underway to call on classmates who gave last year, but not yet this year. 2 mailings are planned, one in next newsletter and one separate letter early June.

Alumni Council: Woody L. reports that most discussion at recent Council meeting involved committee work, with little about recent controversial campus events. Woody's recent campus visits have revealed to him "a lot of discontent ...on both sides" regarding administration policies, but none of those issues have come directly to the Alumni Council for debate. Woody doesn't know why the athletic director cancelled Council appearance. The student body "no confidence" vote re: Beilock is discussed, with Lee acknowledging that it was probably unrepresentative of the student population at large. (A non-Council-related discussion of other issues follows: property ownership, toleration of protests, divestiture, acceptance of financial aid, faculty backgrounds, class committee attitudes, etc.)

Treasurer/Webmaster: Jim L. reviews account balances: arts legacy, Blacks at Dartmouth, treasury, investments. Donations/gifts: arts legacy, 50th reunion fund. Dues income lagging: 2 more emails will go out in June; 50 people who gave last year have not yet paid. Expenses are well-managed and in good shape. Jim will submit individual financial reports separately.

Newsletter: Skip W. has sent next issue to printer with instructions not to mail it out until after GAR dinner.

Secretary: Jack H. thanks Jim L. for assistance with forthcoming webinar.

Memorialists: Dave P. not attending; Dave G. reports recent passing of Jeff Spiegel, Weems Westfeldt, and Jonathan Lownes and emphasizes utilizing support from fellow classmates in writing obituaries.

Mini-reunions: Norm S. reports attending a Zoom meeting about reunions (which suggested Zoom meetings) and says the webinars have been serving a related purpose. He offers that large, in-person gatherings involving extensive travel are impractical at our age. John E.'s monthly luncheons are mentioned. A discussion of the date for the next mini-reunion/class meeting in Hanover is discussed, and October 5 @10AM is set.

GIVE A ROUSE: Roger W. informs that 7 awards are to be presented this evening, followed by resumption of search for nominees for next year.

ARTS LEGACY: Cedric K. mentions the link to R. A. Anderson's children's piece, also that he saw the Kobayashi painting. We purchased a digital scanner, with class of 1968 plaque, for studio arts program. Discussion re-states details of Project Green Light.

ENGAGING SPOUSES/PARTNERS/WIDOWS: Calvert absent. Involving Patty Calvert is suggested.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT: Cedric K. (on behalf of Steve H.) reports no new developments.

OTHER: Norm S. mentions the great impression his campus museum tour imparted and how the class's multi-faceted, ongoing support for the arts is of significant importance and deserving of self-congratulations. All applaud.

COLLEGE ISSUES/INITIATIVES: Cedric K. and Daniel Tom attended the 25th anniversary of the Dartmouth Asian Pacific American Alumni Association. Cedric passes along compliments from the chair of the Hood Museum board to our class and R. A. Anderson.

NEXT MEETING: August 3, 2024, 11 AM, Zoom. The Committee decides it is worthwhile to meet again before fall mini reunion.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Hopke, Secretary