## Viterbo Alumni Association Meeting Minutes April 23, 2013 Weber Center for the Performing Arts

Alumni Board Members Present: Paula Skoy, Sr. Marie Kyle, Margaret Hammell, Rita Modjeski, Jackie Bauers, Ed Smudde, Kristina Schoh, Libby (Berg) Mueller, Karen Kouba, Kathy Duerwachter, Heather Ladwig, Cari Loomis, Kathy Ivey, Julie Bartels, Katie Rowan-Koenen, Diane Knothe, Steve Berg, Frank Perez-Guerra, Diane Knothe, Amy Thornton

Emeritus Members Present: Carolyn Hogan, Rose Ann Kazmierczak, Sr. Rochelle Potracke, Terry Amel

Ex-Officio: President Rick Artman, Kathy Duerwachter

Others: Dr. Timothy Schorr – Dean of School of Fine Arts, Jeff Stoltz – Department Chair of Theatre and Theatre Music, Natalie McGarry, Gary Klein,

- I. Reception and Social
- II. Prayer led by Kathy Ivey
- III. Welcome and information on the collaboration of the La Crosse Community Theater and Viterbo University by Dr. Rick Artman
- IV. Weber Center Tour by Dr. Tim Schorr and Jeff Stoltz Department Chair, Theatre and Theatre Music
- V. Call to Order by Heather Ladwig
- VI. Approval of Minutes
  - a. Carolyn Hogan wonders if we should separate members from non-members present on the meeting minutes.
  - b. Carolyn Hogan also suggested we look into way to keep funds coming into the Sr. Celestine Alumni Children's Scholarship
- VII. Board Retreat Recap
  - a. Admissions Online Alumni Referral by Kathy Duerwachter
    - i. New link on the Alumni page for "Alumni Referrals."
    - ii. Alumni can promote Viterbo in their hometowns by meeting with the guidance counselors at the school.
  - b. Alumni Children's Scholarship Recipients by Karen Kouba
    - i. There were sixteen applicants and we were able to award three students with a \$1,100 scholarship.
    - ii. Scholarships awarded based on presentation, rationale, goals, high school academic performance.
    - iii. The three recipients are Bre Meddaugh, Arin Moritz, and Kelsey May Vaasen.
- VIII. Alumni Survey by Heather Ladwig
  - a. If you have suggestions, please contact Heather or Kathy before this summer.
  - b. Survey will be worked on this summer and fall.
- IX. Distinguished Alumni Award Recipients
  - a. Three to five applicants in each category this year.

- b. There will be five alumni awarded which will be announced in early May.
- X. Alumni Board Calendar 2013-14 by Kathy Duerwachter
  - a. Schedule will mirror this year's calendar.
  - b. Four meetings again this year with no Saturday Retreat.
  - c. Mark your calendars! October 11th and 12th will be Viterbo Days.
- XI. New Board Members, 2013 Open Position(s) by Heather Ladwig
  - a. New board members will be voted upon in May.
  - b. Karen Kouba will join the Executive Board and Patrick Gibbons is considering the President Elect position.
- XII. MBA Alumni Chapter Update by Frank Abnet
  - a. The MBA Alumni Chapter has been active in the community with the goal of three community service events each year.
  - b. Through discussion and enthusiasm in the MBA board, they had 100% participation in philanthropy for the renovation project of the Dahl School of Business.
  - c. Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> the MBA Alumni Chapter Board helped to celebrate the 10year anniversary of the MBA program.
- XIII. Thoughts and prayers with Darrell Pohfahl who suffered a heart attack yesterday.a. You can send well wishes to Darrel at 615 Guenther Court Onalaska, WI 54650
- XIV. The Association thanks Kathy Ivey and Amy Thornton for their years of service to the Alumni Association.
  - a. Books will be donated to the Todd Wehr Memorial Library in their honor.
- XV. Meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.