

# **Schutz American Schools of Alexandria Foundation**

## **Annual Membership Meeting**

**July 20, 2013 ~ Inman, SC**

The meeting was brought to order at 2:15 PM by Paul Clark, president.

Paul Clark opened the meeting by thanking the Rosser family for sharing their home with everyone for the reunion. Everyone agreed that the site was a great, as was the food and music.

### Financial report

Steve Jamison reported on the financial state of SASAF. The organization is in good standing. There is a reserve of approximately \$5000 after the reunion expenses. A check for \$1500 will be given to Nathan Walker for the Meloy Scholarship today. Dues are currently \$20 a year and are being accepted by Steve Jamison. Please help by paying your dues and getting involved.

### Fresh Ideas to Explore

Paul Clark gave a report of some ideas the board discussed at its meeting earlier in the day:

- new website design that will promote better interaction among members and generate new members
- moving the annual meetings to different locations
- plans to organize groups to visit Schutz
- possibility for alumni to sponsor Schutz graduates who are visiting colleges

### Report on Egypt

Nathan Walker, Schutz Headmaster and SASAF board member reported on the current state of Egypt and the school.

- He first thanked everyone for coming and for the Rosser family opening their home to everyone.
- The 2012-13 school year had 22 graduates and 22 nations were represented school-wide.
- The school is working with the community and has developed a scholarship program for local children to attend Schutz, including a summer program.
- The school grounds are growing and thriving.
- The government situation, while difficult is not, at the moment, stopping the school from remaining open. Teachers and students plan to return continue on for the upcoming school year.

### Recognition

Paul Clark asked Jean Schultz to step forward. The board and general membership wanted to recognize Jean for the incredible work she was put towards Schutz and SASAF since 1963. A parting gift was presented to her of a gold cartouche necklace with "Schutz" in Arabic on one side and "Family" on the other.

Jean thanked everyone and asked Bill and Carolyn Pollock to join her, recognizing their past and future time spent with SASAF.

### Board Elections

Mary Beth Neely reported on the nomination committee's board recommendations. New board seats are opened with the leaving of Jean Schultz and John Meloy.

- re-elect Amanda Johnson, Ed Nicholas, and Bill Pollock
- Susan Clark-Knight, class of 1965
- Kimberly Smith, class of 1985
- Ronny Ivarsen, class of 1985

The floor was opened to other nominations. None were offered. Nominations were closed.

*\*A **motion** was made to elect the nominated people to the board. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.*

#### Standing Board (term ending)

*Paul Clark, President (2016)*

*Ken Cooke, VP (2015)*

*Steve Jamison, Treasurer (2016)*

*Amanda Johnson, Secretary (2017)*

*Ann Akers (2014)*

*Ronny Ivarsen (2017)*

*Susan Knight (2017)*

*Mary Beth Neely (2016)*

*Ed Nicholas (2017)*

*Lavina Pattee (2014)*

*Bill Pollock (2017)*

*Ron Pollock (2014)*

*Carmen Rosser (2016)*

*Tina Sharif (2015)*

*Kim Smith (2017)*

*Nathan Walker (2016)*

#### Survey and Feedback

Amanda Johnson asked everyone to fill out the survey about the reunion. Everyone's feedback will help with planning future reunions. She stated that if you don't get it filled out here, that the form will be available on the SASAF Facebook group page.

#### Reunion T-shirts

Carmen Rosser asked that every registered person pick up their reunion t-shirt. If you wish to purchase extra, please give the money to Steve Jamison.

*\*A **motion** was made to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 PM. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.*

Minutes prepared by Amanda L. Johnson, secretary.