

Monthly Meeting Minutes

September 2012

The JVHS Alumni Association met Thursday, September 20, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the school library. Chairperson/Treasurer Sharon Pierce presided. There were no minutes available from the August meeting. There were 13 members and 2 faculty members present (list attached).

Sharon Pierce, Chairperson/Treasurer gave the treasurer's report. A copy of that report is attached to these minutes. Highlights- Sharon redeemed the CD because of low interest; she purchased cards and stationery for correspondence; a gift card for \$50.00 was sent to police officer Christopher Moore; other expenses were paid, leaving a balance of \$5,818.98. (Officer Moore was named Officer of the Month for stopping, then pursuing a stolen vehicle. This resulted in the closing/solving of 60 car thefts.)

Millie Scruggs also made some stationery using the website, so there are note cards, letterhead, and envelopes available for fund-raising requests, notes of encouragement, etc.

Millie showed the new long sleeve t-shirts that have been purchased for resale. The shirt has a likeness of the cannon on the front, the school on the back, and has Columbus, Ga. also printed on it. (I forgot to write down the price they would be sold for.) Sharon was wearing an oxford shirt with JVHS ALUMNI stitched above the pocket. She purchased the shirt and had Columbus Fire & Safety do the stitching. She and Millie wore these and tank tops at an Open House held September 13th at the school. Sharon also reported that the school was selling collared polo shirts as a fund-raiser.

Sharon reported that there was a good article about the football team in today's Ledger-Enquirer. David Hay voiced his disappointment that there had been nothing mentioned about the end of the Jordan-Columbus rivalry which lasted for 103 years. Millie explained that she had contacted some people, but that it was a moot point.

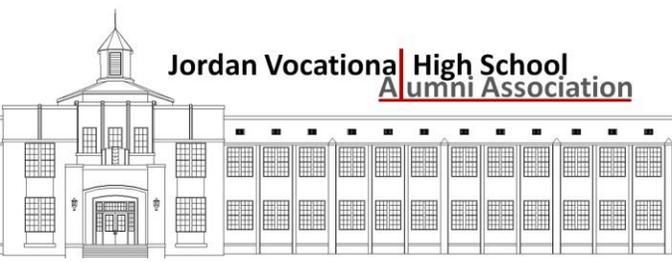
Sharon reported that JVHS received the total gate for the JVHS-Hardaway game (see below for further information about this). She also reported that band members from Hardaway and Northside had come to the JVHS side and talked and encouraged the band members.

Sharon reported that Mr. White had gotten a \$90,000 grant for the band for new instruments. She also said that the band had a great sound even though there were not a lot of band members. Also, she found out that they do have uniforms. She intends to speak with the band director about "sprucing up" their look for games held when the weather is warm, making the wool uniforms too hot to wear.

Sharon reported that she and Millie attended the Open House held September 13th for parents and students. She said approximately 50-60 parents attended. Mr. White outlined the rules/standards expected of students and informed those present that he expected compliance.

There is a need for football jerseys. There are about 70 members on the football team. She thought that 20 red jerseys had been purchased, but later Coach Brown told the group that it was the white jerseys that were purchased. Pat Bass will be handling some fund-raising to help with the purchase of the needed jerseys.

Sharon had a copy of the football game program and asked where it was printed. Mrs. McCoy said it was printed at the MCSD print shop. Sharon was wondering why only one program had been printed.



Sharon announced that after this Friday's game with Spencer at Memorial Stadium, there will only be one home game remaining. It will be against Kendrick on Thursday, November 1, 2012 at Kinnett Stadium. She encouraged alumni members to attend and noted that she and Millie would be putting up the Alumni Association banner and hoped that members would sit together.

Sharon reported that she had written notes to the football team and the band praising their performances.

Sharon said that she would like to recognize any distinguished alumni, such as Officer Moore, and asked that members let her know of any JVHS alumni that received a special honor or recognition.

Sharon said she would like alumni to wear a name tag in case a spirit shirt is not worn or available for wear. She and Millie explained that either name tags with a plastic sleeve or a magnetized tag could be made by the MCS D print shop. There was discussion on whether it should have names or just JVHS Alumni on it; whether a Red Jacket wasp or the cannon should be on it, etc. David Hay and Yvonne asked if Millie could get a sample to show to the group; she will bring to the next meeting. The cost of these items is nominal. Sharon and Millie also talked about getting ID cards for Alumni members, to be issued upon receipt of their annual dues.

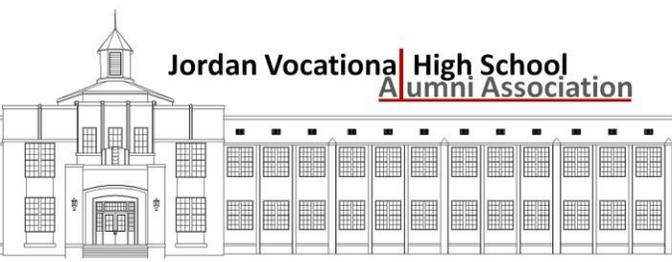
Glenn Matthews asked about letter jackets- wondering if they were still worn by the students and also wondering where they might be purchased. He thought it would be good if on the letter "J" the word alumni could be put on it to distinguish them. Mrs. McCoy said that she had not seen any jackets worn in her years at the school.

Coach Brown came to the meeting after football practice. He said the team and coaches are looking forward to their first win against Spenser. He reported that there is a lot of enthusiasm among the team members. In January, he will start a program to have players ready for the next season, incorporating running, conditioning, weight- lifting, etc. Also, he will be able to look at "feeder" schools to get more players. He hopes to field a freshman and varsity team next year. They will be losing about 18 seniors. His plans are to purchase a full set (1-99) of red uniforms, including the pants at a cost of about \$8,000. He reported that after expenses, Jordan netted about \$5,000 from the Hardaway game. All monies made from sports activities go into a sports fund and disbursements are made as needed and deemed necessary by Mr. White. The team now has a booster club; they have raised almost \$3,000 in the sale of coupon books. He reported that it was the white, or travel, jerseys that had to be purchased at a cost of \$85.00. Without this purchase, all of the team would not be able to dress out and travel to ou-of-town games.

NEW BUSINESS

Sharon said that she did not like the looks of 2 signs in the side parking lot, they are old, rusted, and almost unreadable. She has spoken to Amy Wohler about the metal shop redoing the signs and asked her to let Sharon know if money was needed for materials to redo the signs.

Sharon said that she would like to have an annual banquet to recognize distinguished alumni (she saw where CVCC does this every year). She said the banquet would also be a fund raiser and should be held in September, before the end of the Alumni fiscal year. A committee will be formed to plan this.



Because Pat Bass was not in attendance, a discussion of fund-raising was tabled until the next meeting. Sharon told members that if any inappropriate remarks were put on the Facebook page, she would delete them.

Lawanda reported that she had sent copies of the Alumni meeting minutes to Jeremy Hart at his request to be placed on the Alumni website. Sharon does not want the full minutes appearing on the page, and does not want the financial details available, since this site is not proprietary and anyone can go to it. Kathy Bolden discussed the website and the differences between what was posted on Facebook and the website.

Lawanda resigned as secretary of the Alumni Association. (A letter will be mailed to the Alumni Association.)

David asked about the difference between a board meeting and a regular meeting. Sharon explained that she had recently reviewed the bylaws and that there should be at least one board of directors meeting held each year. This has not been done in the past, but Sharon intends that it will be done in the future. She also brought up that the board appoints all officers, elects board members, and appoints other positions as needed; this is not voted on by alumni members.

Millie brought up about lifetime alumni association memberships, but the discussion was tabled for another time due to the time.

Sharon adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawanda Myers