

**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH GEORGIA
PARENTS AND FAMILY ASSOCIATION
UNG PFA
First Quarter 2017 (April 2017)**

The PFA semi-annual general meeting was held 4/23/17. A quorum was reached and the meeting brought to order at 8:05am.

Attending:

- Rebecca Lore
- Pete Mistr
- John & Virginia Greaves
- David Gillespie
- Michelle McGaughey (phone)
- Karen Ponder
- Michael Owen
- Tom & Julie Cauffman

1st item of business

Officially approved 4th quarter 2016 council meeting minutes.

2nd item of business

Current committee reports (Old Business) for 1st quarter 2017 were approved to put into minutes.

OLD BUSINESS

The PFA discussed old business via the PFA Council Facebook page during the month of April 2017 covering 1st quarter of 2017.

I. Recording Secretary's Report: Virginia Greaves

- A. Minutes from January: January minutes were approved unanimously as posted on the PFA website.

II. President's Report: Rebecca Lore, President

- A. Working with the UNG Corps Advisory Council, the PFA assisted in spreading the word regarding its Commemorative brick paver fundraising project, with bricks being installed for viewing during Alumni Weekend.
- B. Volunteers are needed for the summer 2017 New/Transition Student Orientations (NSO/TSO). Each year, the PFA works closely with the UNG First Year Experience department, helping to provide support and hospitality to new families on a large scale. These events provide a great opportunity for parents to develop camaraderie, and most importantly, they provide an opportunity to pass on the experiences and knowledge we have acquired in the college experience, removing some of the anxiety of transition. Memberships to the PFA sold at these events go to our scholarships, making an even greater need for volunteer presence. Dates for these events are May 10, Jun 12-13, Jun 15-16, June 19-20, July 10-11, July 13-14, July 17-18, and August 12th.

- C. We are continuing to help UNG develop a support program and network for homeless students, and assisting in the development of the UNG food pantry for the Dahlonega campus. <http://ungvanguard.org/.../ung-dahlonega-opens-new-food-pantry.../>
- D. A new logo for the University of North Georgia Parents & Family Association was presented to us by UNG, and is now in place.
- E. The PFA was on hand April 9th for NLC Weekend, helping cadet admissions greet new families, answer questions, and meet our young Americans/future cadets. Discussions have started regarding ideas to advance the presence of admissions and elevate the family experience during NLC pickup.
- F. Ideas for PFA sales items for FROG Week August 2017 and the October Gold Rush Festival are needed. Suggestions have started to come in, and the council will start looking into marketability and pricing.
- G. PFA volunteers were on hand at the April 2017 Military Ball, helping with set up, greeting of guests, and taking/sharing photographs of the evenings festivities with families. We look forward to helping again next year.

III. **VP's Report: David Gillespie**

- Committee reports have been presented via the Facebook page for review. Comments regarding these reports were asked for and are listed under the individual committee section in these minutes.

A. **Committee Reports:**

- (Posted on Facebook for review PRIOR to meeting)

1. **Finance Committee:** Michelle McGaughey

- a) Please see the below summary for financials for February business close.

- Starting Balance \$48,752.57
- Deposits in Month \$-
- Debits in Month \$(5,300.00)
- Pending Deposits \$ 48.25
- Pending Debits \$(780.49)
- Total \$42,720.33

- b) Complete financials available upon request to parents.association@ung.edu.

2. **Awards/Fundraising Committee:** Rebecca Lore

- a) • The Council approved the funding of the Cadet Spring Honor Company Boodle funding of \$125 for Golf Company.
- b) • The PFA sponsored a table at the university's 5th annual Scholarship Gala, which was able to award more than \$1,784,210 in student scholarships during the 2016 fiscal year. <https://ung.edu/.../event-celebrates-more-than-1.7-million-in...>
- c) • \$4,000 was awarded to the UNG Honor's Program for Study Abroad, helping to support a critical need for their scholarship fund, helping to cover summer 2017 programs.

3. **Hospitality Committee:** David Gillespie

- a) The purpose of the Hospitality Committee is to provide support for the morale and welfare of all students and families, with involvement in to include but not limited to NSO, FROG graduation, and move-in day.
- b) The Committee has not met formally since last report, but has participated in two events since then.
 - (1) Represented PFA at UNG's fifth annual Scholarship Gala, 3 March.
 - (2) NLC Weekend, 7-9 April.
- c) Committee will be supporting several events in the near term.

- (1) Alumni Weekend, 22-23 April (PFA sales tent/hospitality, DMG Ceremony, Corp Advisory Luncheon)
- (2) Commissioning / Commencement, 5-6 May
- (3) Various New Student Orientations through the summer
4. **Cadet Life Committee:** *Virginia Greaves (filling in for Julie Shaver)*
 - a) 10 FEB — Sweetheart Ball
 - b) 23 MAR — Boodle Company Party: Golf Company: To reward Golf Company for achieving Honor Company this semester, parents and family brought a huge cache of boodle (special treats, baked goods, prepackaged food items etc.) for the celebration.
 - c) 28 MAR — Military Awards Ceremony — provided a reception
 - d) 9 APR — NLC: Sold merchandise & greeted/answered questions to parents picking up their high schoolers, and provided lunch for cadre.
 - e) Upcoming Events:
 - (1) 21-23 APR Alumni Weekend Alumni Weekend: Corps Pass in Review, sales tent/hospitality
 - (2) 5-6 MAY — Commissioning / Commencement
 - (3) 10 MAY — NSO
 - (4) 12 JUN — NSO
 - (5) 15 JUN — NSO
5. **Communications Committee:** *Cresta Davis*
 - *No new business.*
6. **Nominations and Elections Committee:** Virginia Greaves
 - No new business.
7. **Parliamentarian Report:** Virginia Greaves
 - No new business.
8. **Treasurer's Report:** Michelle McGaughey
 - (Refer to Finance Committee Report)

NEW BUSINESS

I. Scholarship Fund

- New Student Orientations (NSOs)
 - President would like to double funds from NSOs next year
 - At NSOs, we talk to parents, sell memberships, sell merchandise.
- UNG Scholarship Gala -- PFA contributed \$1k to fund & sponsored a table
- \$4700 to cadets for uniform purchases
- \$40k total given in scholarships

II. Activities Sponsored by PFA

A. Gold Rush Fundraising

- *To be held weekend of Oct 21-22 -- hosting 1 or 2 booths, selling UNG items & water*

B. Military Ball

- *Helped with setup & provided pics*

C. National Leadership Challenge

- met with Young Americans & their parents at pickup
- provided sack lunch for Cadre working that weekend & YAs traveling to airport

D. 2ndLT Commissioning

- provide reception and meet with parents

E. Sweetheart Review

- took donations for raffle baskets, 2 cadet & 1 non-cadet

F. Distinguished Military Students (DMS)

G. Honor Company Boodle

- This semester was Golf Company.

H. Administration of both Facebook closed groups

I. New Student Orientations

- After expenses, net funds used to fund scholarships.

J. UNG Food Pantry Program

- We have students in need & some that are homeless.
- Spring semester, there were 2 Polish students that we helped to get ready for their semester.
- To fill a foot locker with everything one student needs is \$240.
- Paid \$50 NSO fee for a family in need.

III. New Logo for PFA

- syncs with the University logo

Next Meeting:

- The next PFA semi-annual meeting will occur in October during Gold Rush Weekend.

8:43am Meeting Adjourned

The PFA Council meeting was held 4/23/17 after the PFA general meeting. A quorum was not reached so there was only general discussion. The meeting was brought to order at 9:03am.

Attending:

- Rebecca Lore
- Virginia Greaves
- David Gillespie
- Michelle McGaughey (phone)
- Karen Ponder
- Darcy (UNG rep)
- John (visiting)

Next Meeting:

- The next council meeting will occur in July on the Facebook page.
- The next teleconference will occur in July, time and date to be announced.

10:36am Meeting Adjourned

Virginia Greaves, Secretary
The University of North Georgia Parents and Family Association