

**MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH GEORGIA**

**PARENTS AND FAMILY ASSOCIATION**

**UNG PFA**

Semi-Annual Meeting

April 23, 2016

8:30 a.m.

Stewart Center Room 332

**PRESENT**

The following PFA members and associate members were present: (10 members physically present, three members present via teleconference, one associate member (juvenile in attendance with her parents))

Darcy Hayes (UNG Liaison)  
Pete Mistr (President)  
Rebecca Lore (Vice President)  
Michelle McGaughey (Treasurer)  
Scott Stump (Executive Secretary) (by phone)  
John Greaves (Parliamentarian / Recording Secretary)  
Lisa Davis (Non-Cadet Parent Representative) (by phone)  
Robert McGaughey  
Keith Malcom  
Lisa Malcom  
Bill Hugh (by phone)  
Vic Hyatt  
Nicole Hyatt  
Associate member – Juvenile attending with her parents

The University of North Georgia Parents and Family Association Council (PFA) discussed current affairs via the Spring meeting.

President Pete Mistr called the meeting to order.

Vice President Rebecca Lore ensured that the conference call was activated for the benefit of PFA members not able to attend in person but able to call in.

Parliamentarian and Recording Secretary John Greaves took the roll.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Pete Mistr reported on the PFA Board's shift in focus from funding equipment to primarily funding scholarships.

- \$3,000 for cyber-security conference and materials
- \$2,500 for Honors Program research and study abroad
- \$2,500 for six students to study abroad in Russia
- \$2,000 to attract highly qualified cadets to UNG

Pete Mistr and Rebecca Lore noted that although funding focus has transitioned to scholarships, some projects such as honor company boodle will continue to be funded and that requests from student groups / teams will continue to be considered.

Pete Mistr noted that PFA membership renewals would begin today following adjournment of this meeting. The PFA had reserved space for a tent and table at the new student orientation scheduled for later in the morning.

Special thanks was expressed to Rebecca Lore for the work of her discount card committee securing local Dahlonga merchants to participate in the discount card program. New or renewing PFA members will receive not just one discount card, but an additional discount card as well for their student.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Michelle McGaughey presented the financial report and opened the floor to discussion.

PFA branded merchandise for purchase and re-sale was discussed.

Hearing no further discussion, Lisa Malcom made a motion that the financial report be approved. The motion was seconded by Scott Stump. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Parliamentarian and Recording Secretary John Greaves opened the floor for discussion of the minutes from the October 15, 2015 PFA meeting. Hearing no discussion, Michelle McGaughey made a motion to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded by Lisa Davis. The passed by unanimous consent.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Pete Mistr opened discussion regarding the proposed changes to the PFA by-laws. The proposed changes to the by-laws were:

- 1.) Quarterly, in lieu of the prior practice of monthly, committee reports
- 2.) Financial reports to be updated periodically as new financial data is received in lieu of the prior practice of monthly reporting
- 3.) Reporting to include how PFA council voted on each issue

Pete Mistr noted that the reason for proposed changes one and two were that PFA Council member time and resources were being consumed with monthly reporting whereas quarterly reporting would deliver the same data and allow the Council members additional time and energy to devote to other council efforts.

There was no further discussion.

Michele McGaughey made a motion all three proposed changes to the by-laws be approved. The motion was seconded by Vic Hyatt. Rebecca Lore provided John Greaves with the records of on-line voting. The votes were tallied as follows:

Approve - 12 votes cast by proxy  
6 votes cast in person

Do not approve – 1 vote cast by proxy

The motion was approved with 18 members voting yes and one member voting no.

#### **ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION**

Pete Mistr opened the floor to general / additional discussion.

A request was made for all available PFA members to assist at the PFA tent / table during the new student orientation schedule to start at 10:00 a.m. PFA membership was requested to provide the same assistance at upcoming new student orientations in June and July. Additional information and details will be communicated prior to those events.

PFA membership was requested to assist with the commissioning ceremony to take place on May 6-7. Approximately 50 cadets are expected to commission at that time.

Darcy Hayes commended the PFA for its shift towards funding scholarships. Both Darcy Hayes and Pete Mistr reported that faculty / staff and administration at UNG had responded with great enthusiasm to the news of the PFA shifting its focus towards scholarships.

Hearing no further discussion, Michelle McGaughey made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Rebecca Lore seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

John Greaves  
Parliamentarian & Recording Secretary