

I.U. Alumni Chapter of Washington, D.C.

Minutes: April 7, 2005

Attendees: Nikki Cleaveland, Rich Leopold, Mike Doughty, Caroline Christodoulidis, Forrest Daniels, Adam Berlin, Beth, Laura Mervilde

President's Report

- Nothing new to report
- Nikki identifies top priorities as:
 - Making the chapter more social with other Big 10 clubs
 - Participate in more community service events
 - Participate in more social events beyond happy hours
- Everyone should keep an eye out for new events

Secretary's Report

- Minutes are passed around
- A few edits are made
- Minutes will now be reviewed at every meeting (from the last meeting held), edits will be made and then will be sent to Caroline for posting on the website

Treasurer's Report

- Balance: \$2,696.38
- Forrest is having some problems with Bloomington being responsive to requests
- The board briefly discusses Pay Pal as an online transfer function

Old Business

Recreational Basketball Update

- Season is now over
- Caroline will get an update from Meg and post it on the website

Website

- Caroline states that if you are in charge of an event and want it on the website, send her the exact text that you would like posted and she will add it to the site

IU List serve

- Nikki is the only person who can post things to IU list serve; board agrees that we should keep it this way
- Nikki can only post something one time per week; would like to keep it to once every two weeks
- It now takes longer to post things; used to take 3-5 days now takes 7-10 days
- Board briefly discusses setting a concrete date to send out one list serve; nothing decided

Neal Marshall Club

- Happy hour scheduled for April 14
- The Board briefly discusses the Neal Marshall Chapter and it's progress in the DC area
- It is decided to put a link to the Neal Marshall Club on the chapter's website

License Plates

- Bloomington wants to start in MD; Rich will serve as the point of contact for VA, but needs a volunteer for MD
- Laura M. volunteers to serve as the MD point of contact; Rich will provide her with contact information for Bloomington

New Business

Nationals v. Cubs Game

- May 15, 1pm
- Have sold 117 tickets to-date
- Still have 33 left to sell
- Cost is \$16/ticket
- People are definitely interested
- Nikki recommends an IU tailgate before the game; board agrees that this is a good idea

Hairspray

- Mid-June?
- We have 75 tickets; \$88 per ticket
- Only 6 tickets have been sold, to-date
- This doesn't cost the club anything; whatever we don't sell just goes back into the mail pool of tickets on May 15

Student Sendoff

- Adam is helping Jim with the event
- Looking to reserve a space in Rock Creek Park
- Beth Volunteered to help
- Date not yet set; looking at June 26, July 10 or July 24
- Adam will call Rock Creek Park next week to see what is available
- Only expenses are food and drinks, etc.

Scholarship Fund

- David Bender is helping with this
- Used for a returning student who has a use for financial aid
- Awarded by IU out of a fund we have that has \$32,000 in it – this is why we need to award the scholarship
- In the past we've never received any notification that the recipient actually received the scholarship
- A new way for awarding the scholarship is recommended: Pick 10 students; from that number take 1 or 2 to receive the scholarship, and have them write a letter about the scholarship/what they plan to do with their degree, etc.

New IU Home Bar

- Board feels it may be the time to look for a new IU home bar
- During remodeling, Ramparts threw away the IU flag they had previously displayed in the bar
- Nikki recommends the bar Stars and Stripes in Crystal City
- One of the owners is a 1994 IU grad
- It's near the Crystal City Sports Pub (Metro accessible)
- Not sure that they will be able to get all of the IU games; not the best TV situation
- However, if the club gives them business, they can upgrade some of the TVs
- Since we still have awhile until the next b-ball season, we should start having some board meetings and happy hours there (possibly a Big 10 or State of Indiana happy hour)

Softball

- Season still just getting started
- Scrimmage against Wisconsin April 10

Wine Tasting

- Someone recommends using a wine tasting as a way for people to meet the new chapter president and vice president
- Possibly have it at Nikki's house or at a bar
- Possibly sometime in May
- After a discussion, given all of the events coming up, especially the Nationals game, it is decided to use the tailgate before the Nationals game as a meet-and-greet with the new president and vice president, and push the wine tasting back to the fall

IU Football Tickets

- Jennifer has connections to IU football and has volunteered the idea for the chapter to buy tickets and raffle them off
- Since the board is not sure that there would be enough interest, it is recommended that a link to IU football tickets be placed on the chapter's website

IU Alumni Weekend

- June 17-19
- Need to send two representatives; no one volunteers
- More details to come
- The club pays for the plane ticket and the hotel
- Take volunteers at the next meeting

Hands on DC

- May 7
- Got 12 IU people to participate
- Caroline is working with Todd's wife to organize and get an IU contingent
- Caroline will add it to the website
- This is a national campaign with support from several businesses

- Hopefully next year we can lead an IU team to participate
- If anyone else is interested, contact Caroline

Next Board Meeting

- At the next board meeting everyone will be encouraged to pick a job or focus area; people should keep in mind what they would like to focus on
- Next meeting will be on May 26th at Stars and Stripes (Crystal City) at 6:30pm