

Arcola Alumni Association
Board of Directors Meeting
August 16, 2012

The Arcola Alumni Association Board of Directors met at the home of Dr. Robert Arrol at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 16th. Robert Arrol, Jack Fishel, John Fishel, Kris Graves, Randy Rothrock, Sue Stout and Judy Thomas attended the meeting. The committee also welcomed our new director, Kendall Moore, who comes to the board representing the 80s decade. The minutes of the May 17th meeting were previously emailed to members and accepted as presented.

Arrol reported a \$4,768.95 balance in our pass-through account with Arcola Foundation. He also noted the school may need to use some of our funds for additional trophy repairs.

Committee members agreed we are currently up to date with available graduating class photographs and other information for the website. Stout will ask Andy Walton to include new member Kendall Moore with other board members listed on our website.

Stout will contact the Arcola Record-Herald to request a monthly listing in the newspaper's community agenda notices in order to solicit nominations for the distinguished alumni award prior to the December 1st deadline. She again noted members who will make up the initial selection committee for the Arcola Distinguished Alumni award: Randy Rothrock, Chairperson (Alumni Assn. Board, 60s), Pat Fortney (community, 40s), Jim Clark (community, 50s), Sue Stout (Alumni Assn. Board, 70s), Rick Klopffleisch (community, 80s), Emily Coombe (Arcola Comm. School Dist., 90s) and Brad Pullen (Alumni Assn. Board, 90s). Arrol will contact the new manager at Kaskaskia County Club to confirm our April 13, 2013 alumni banquet date.

Thomas received a check from former AHS Coach Bob Avery for association dues. She will contact Avery to ask his permission to use his contribution as a donation, as the association is no longer collecting dues.

Graves will contact the school for permission to organize a free community tailgate prior to the Friday, September 14th Homecoming football game. Graves will then promote the event in the Record-Herald, on our website and at the home football game prior to Homecoming.

Andy Walton has requested representation of the alumni board at the October 13th reunion of AHS classes 1960-1964 at Kaskaskia Country Club. President John Fishel plans to speak at the event to promote the alumni association, the April 13, 2013 alumni banquet and to explain the nomination process for the first Arcola Distinguished Alumni awards. Stout will provide printed materials explaining the distinguished alumni award criteria and the selection committee. Copies of the award nomination form will also be available. All board members are invited to attend the reunion.

Numerous discarded academic award plaques, dating back to 1971, were distributed to the board members. The old school plaques have been replaced with oak plaques, each containing the names of all former recipients of that award. Alumni funds were used to purchase the new plaques, which were constructed by Kenneth Hostetler. Members were asked to donate each plaque to a former recipient.

Board members will next meet at the Arrol home at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 15th.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Stout, Recording Secretary