## Meeting 9/20/2017

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Wednesday, 20 September 2017

Connections Weekend Planning Meeting     Sept. 20, 2017
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Agenda
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In Attendance: Jen Allerding, Kyle Baughn, Terry Gribble, Jim Grubbs, Miranda Jones, Joe Kleinknecht, Rick Maddox, Steve Melchior, Sandy Powell, Dave Spraw, Marilyn Stepro & Sarah Wegesin
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Financial Report: Fundraising letters went out last month; Donation total to date is  \$5,575 which is down from last year's donations which were \$14,027;
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Review of Minutes -Â Minutes were approved;
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Committee Updates:

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Bonfire/Pep Rally - Cheerleaders, Marching Band & Alumni Band will be present; Bonfire to begin at 6:50 pm; Kyle will contact Pioneer's security class to help with crowd control; Rick Maddox will bring the sound system to the park area @ 6:30 pm;

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Pancake Breakfast -Â Miranda announced that the breakfast will be held from 7:00 - 10:00; Sarah will be speaking with Katherine Nutt & Ric Walker about student performance times;Â Kiwanis volunteers will arrive @ 6:00 pm; No Donley Ford or 5K participation will occur on Saturday morning;

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Alumni Band -Â Rehearsals have been ongoing during the summer and are looking forward to attending the bonfire and homecoming game;

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Hall of Fame Nominations - recipients have received their announcement letter; responses have been received from Chris Bailey, Harry Beers, Lee Burkum & Matt Smith (honorees include - Judy Beers, Arthur Poister, Dr. Paul Kim, Marc Enright, Matt Smith, Dr. Lee Burkum & Dr. Chris Bailey; need contact from Paul Kim & Marc Enright;Â

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Dinner Banquet - Marilyn announced that 22 reservations have been submitted (last year's reservations were approximately 90 guests); MS students will serve dinners and Marilyn has spoken w/the MS Asst. Principal to confirm their participation; 4 MS students will greet and seat honorees and families, Sarah will coordinate their participation; centerpieces will be for sale @ \$10 each; reservations are needed by Friday, September 29th @Â 4:00 pm; Roy Hughes, pastor of Well Spring Church, will be giving the invocation and Rick Maddox will give the benediction;

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Fund Raising & Promotion -Â Marilyn asked about promotion & follow-up letters to former recipients as well as follow-up phone calls; Jim shared the banner that will be up this week; Jim also stressed the need for help with external communication to HOF members, current and past;

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Program -Â Dave is receiving bios and photos to begin building the program w/ A-1 Printing;

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Awards -Â Miranda shared that the awards are in for the career day speakers and HOF recipients; Dave is working with Dean's Trophy house for the awards; Marilyn shared that the someone from the Galion Historical Society will be sending a representative to receive Art Poister's award;

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Career Day -Â Jen has been working with Sarah Wegesin and Tracie Wittibslager for Career Day speakers; food service will have refreshments ready at registration; so far, this year's speakers are - Miranda Monk, Colby Bright, Dr. Bailey, Lee Ann Ivy, Jeff Zeisler, Brady Wegesin & Abby Phelps; there will be 6 to 7 speaker rotations for grade 8 students; luncheon will be served after the morning presentations; if committee members would like to attend, they could come between 8:00 - 8:30 pm and check into the MS Office;

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New Business -Â Ash Welch (ash1welch@juno.com) will be the GAMA representative as Rick will be stepping down as president; Thank you RIck for your years of support; Jim & Kyle shared photos of the new additions at the HS (the new seating at the Library & Hall of Fame Cafe);

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Next Meeting - Wednesday, September 27th @ 7:30 am @ The Galion Schools' Administrative Center;

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Meeting Adjourned @ 8:24 am;

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