

FAA Meeting Minutes November 12, 2007
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF FORDSON HIGH SCHOOL
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS
NOVEMBER 12, 2007

Present: Rudah Saghir, Amer Beydoun, Dan Bitrar, Ganelle Shooshanian, Barbara O'Brien, Janet Doty, Pat Hackett, Maureen Ewasek.

Rudah opened the meeting with a report on the collection of late dues. The letters he sent out to forgetful members brought in \$990 in back dues. He did issue a letter of apology to members who were erroneously cited for owing dues. The officers are working to clean up the membership roles so that the Alumnus mailings would closer represent the number of paying members. Later in the meeting Ganelle Shooshanian volunteered to update the membership spreadsheet further clarifying the accuracy of the membership.

Rudah read a letter of thanks from Mary Baker, Fordson's school nurse, for the donation of \$200.00 the Board granted her for an ice machine.

Barbara O'Brien suggested a letter with an application form might encourage more members to renew membership as some overlook the application form in the Alumnus.

Roxanne Crabill, Physics teacher, had submitted a request for \$1200 for supplementary videos for Conceptual Physics, a class meeting the state requirement for physics, but geared for a lower math level Physics course. She also brought three students from the F.I.R.S.T. team, Mohamad Bzeih, Mustapha Bzeih, and Ali Mokkaled together with their robot. They used the funds we provided to travel to competitions with the robot. It was a very impressive demonstration. In appreciation they gave the Board a F.I.R.S.T. medallion and a team T-shirt on which our sponsorship is printed in bold letters. The group will compete again in March and would appreciate any financial help we can provide.

The board voted and approved fund requests of \$1200 for the Conceptual Physics materials, \$1500 for this year's F.I.R.S.T. team and for a \$500 request by Diane Prieur for the purchase of costumes and props for a Renaissance Festival.

Amer Beydoun has changed jobs and will be unable to continue as Treasurer. Dan Bitar offered to help out and will produce a more formal treasurer's report.

Our next meeting is January 14,2008 at 7:00 P.M..

Respectfully submitted

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Maureen Ewasek, Secretary