## CHBS Alumni Advisory Board

# February 22, 2019

**Board Members and University Officers:** Sherry Fisher, Jim Egbert, Carter Turner, Jake Crocker (Chair), Patty DeLoatche, Kathy Griffin, Dr Kim Gainer, and Dr. Matthew Smith(Dean), Russell Pompa

**Board Members Called In:** Kathy Johnson, Kathy Grimes, Rob Barrett, John Rainbolt, Sherrie Austin, Lisa Throckmorton, John McGraw, John Shehan, Mike Ashley

- I. Jake Crocker, chair, called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm.
- II. The minutes of the October 19. 2018, meeting were moved and seconded.
- III. Committee Reports

### 1. Awards Committee

Rob Barrett (chair), lead: no report. He hopes to talk with some people tomorrow when he is on campus. Maybe getting something in RU Connected to drum up more awards. Kathy Johnson suggested that perhaps we use social media. Jake Crocker questioned is a template for applications? Jake also mentioned alumni Facebook groups. CHBS - Johna mentioned there is a template for applications. A question was raised, can nominations be electronic? Perhaps a Goggle form, fillable PDF's. Jake feels a fillable PDF would result in better response. Suggestion to put on CHBS Facebook page in addition. There was a question if we could have a link to share. It was mentioned that alumni groups have a capsized group and have been successful. It was mentioned that perhaps Mike Ashley would be willing to review applications and assist Rob. April 22 was last year's deadline and this year April 15 will be the deadline for applications, with decision by June 1. It will be tight though. Jim motioned for submissions by April 15 and Sherry seconds motion. May 15th deadline for completion of reviews. Motion passes.

- 2. Board Membership Committee (Reminder: The following have agreed to serve on the newly-named Committee: Rob Barrett, Jake Crocker, Jim Egbert, Denise White) Dave Mattingly is a CHBS alumni; Carter talked with him about getting on board; Jake Crocker will reach out maybe not if he is nominated for an award! Last year's award recipient would be interested in serving on the Board. Jake Crocker will nominate him.
- 3. Fundraising Committee (Reminder: The following have agreed to serve on the Committee: Rob Barrett, John Rainbolt, Jonna McGraw, Russell Pompa, and John Sheehan)

Pattie DeLoatche (Chair), drafted fundraising letter, worked with Advancement Office (Carter Turner) and the letter is under review and will be sent out to all alums of CHBS). The letter will emphasize volunteering, not just money and she thinks endowed CHBS Advisory Board Scholarship fund and LSAT prep are two successes of Advisory Board. Carter added that he thought the group might be thinking of additional goals - also mentioned naming other opportunities. Would need to evaluate space around campus. Other opportunities suggested:

- \* 2 3 computer labs in CHBS \$20,000 \$25,000
- \* Language lab \$50,000
- \* Forensics lab \$50,000
- \* Vivarium Emergency Operation Center \$100,000
- \* Social Media \$100,000
- \* Dean's Conference Room \$100,000
- \* CHBS Conference Room \$100,000
- \* Courtroom \$150,000
- \* Cost of Endowing \$500,000
- \* Only one (1) endowed professorship (nursing)
- \* Endowed Chair, Program Director what? One (1) million?
- \* Dean \$1,500,000?

Pattie DeLoatche (Poly Sci trips to DC) is politically involved in activities in Washington, DC. Involved in donating money to DC for kids who could not afford to go. Dean Smith and Carter asked how is this organized. Patty donates to a special request to help kids. The number of students on the DC trip ranges from 10 - 25. Carter raises issue of wider umbrella - Patti agrees need many opportunities not just Poly Sci. Matt gave example if Comm (Media Studies) to New York. There was a question from someone online: how to determine which students benefit. Question was raised: How do you distinguish who can afford to go or not? Do you pay for whole group or those only in need? Carter states it is in their records. Naming donations do not spin off into scholarship. Dean determines which students benefit. Carter: student applications have information

## 4. Career Preparation Committee

The Career Preparation Committee currently has no chair or members. The following have agreed to serve going forward: Matt McGrady, Russell Pompa, John Shehan. John Shehan - opportunities to meet, visit in NOVA, will be on campus for CRJU career expo.

## 5. Pre-Law Committee

Rob Barrett was no longer on the phone line, so no update from him. Dr. Smith praised Luke Hunt plus new faculty member in Constitutional Law. Expert to team up with Luke Hunt to support pre-law program.

#### IV. New Business

Lisa Throckmorton suggested at the Fall Meeting the committee review the expectations of the the Board on minimum participation. The suggestion was made that we would need to define "participation". Russell seconded it and the motion was approved. Carter spoke and asked if we should do a training for

Board Members? Janna told Kathy the words in the by-laws were "commit to Radford. Whoever is nominated needs to be circulating and involved in Radford University. Proposed amendment re dropping non-participants. What is "chronic absenteeism"? Doesn't refer to physical presence or even online participation but no contact - must be engaged in some way. It's more of a matter of housekeeping. Jonna: need a measurable standard. Kathy Johnson: suggested miss three meetings in a row. Motion was made: the bylaws be amended to provide that a member be removed from the board in the event they fail to attend on of three consecutive meetings without giving prior notice that they will not be in attendance. Carter asked about training? Orientation? Time to take a look at the original document. Patty will circulate document. May already be defined. Yes, see section three (3) of bylaws.

# V. University Updates by Dr. Matthew Smith

Dr. Amy Ruben first Presidential fellow! Women and Genders Studies program state of events for March to celebrate Women's History Month. Welcomed Morgan Griffith spoke to Poly Sci class, toured facility afterwards. Emory and Henry University - English and Strategic Communications 3 + 2 Master's Degree agreement. Tour coming up of CHBS and Al's on First. Question on the Jefferson merger - Dr. Smith (July 1) Satellite Radford University Campus. General Education revision reaching Faculty Senate in early March.

### VI. New Business

- 1. Kathy Grimes reported the creation of a new Alumni Chapter: Delmarva Radford University Alumni Chapter to include MD, VA and DE
- 2. Kathy Grimes spoke about a Radford University Alumni, Trooper Lucas Dowell of Virginia State Police, who recently was killed in the line of duty. Suggested Radford have a Wall of Honor or Wall of Remembrance for those fallen officers of Radford University Alumni Family. (With a plaque and picture) The Delmarva Radford University Alumni Chapter would like to have an active part in bringing this honor to the university. She has spoken to Dr. Steve Owen and Laura Turk about this project. Jake Crocker raised the question of ROTC, too.
- VII. The meeting was adjourned at 5:43 PM

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