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MINUTES — W-CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Legends Conference Room, E.A. Diddle Arena, 5:00 p.m., Thursday, December 1, 2011

In Attendance (9) — Bryan Baysinger, Jim Clark, Joe Easterling, Butch Gilbert, Matt Idlett (presiding), Paul Just, Jim Meyer, Bill Moore, Bobby Rascoe.

Not Present (18) — Tom Bird, Wayne Bush, Ross Bjork, Bill Edwards, Jimmy Feix, Pam Herriford, Jerry Humble, Jean-Marie Lawson, Yogi Meadors, Mike Montgomery, Mike Newton, Bill Powell, Mickey Riggs, Erick Sack, Donald Smith, Chris Tinius, Katy Tinius, Yvonne Turner.

MINUTES (October Meeting) — APPROVED

TREASURER'S REPORT — Bill Edwards — not present; but submitted the following: \$30,532.43 in membership account; \$34,324.93 in endowed account ... have paid for most of football/basketball hospitality rooms to date; have some jacket orders out and will have some more soon.

SECRETARY'S REPORT — Paul Just — pass (some items to be discussed elsewhere on the agenda)

HAF REPORT — Jim Clark — preparing for finalizing the fiscal year by Dec. 31 ... working on preparations for a bowl game if it materializes.

SPORTS REPORT — Pam Herriford — not present

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Membership (Bryan Baysinger, chair) — paid membership up to 268 ... up about 37 from this time last year
- Welfare/Recognition (Pam Herriford, chair) — not present
- Advancement/Development (Joe Easterling, chair) — working with Just and Ron Herriford on kiosks project in Halls of History ... have uploaded approximately 1,700 photos so far.

OLD BUSINESS

- Homecoming Brunch / Hall of Fame Inductions — review and discussion ... smaller crowd; Just noted that numbers were under 200 until last week or so and actually had 215 +/-; still down from recent years when have had 250 +/- and one year with somewhere around 300 ... time for event would have been very good, except for lengthy comments from two inductees.
- Basketball Hospitality Room — Just has one commitment for sponsorship (for final men's home game) and has hopes that several who assisted with sponsorships last winter will assist again this season.
- Hilltopper Halls of History — finances — donor total now approximately \$146,000 after fall push ... donor wall up; however, already have handful who want to participate and will likely redo donor wall late in the basketball season

NEW BUSINESS

- Stewardship for 2011-12 year — Just polled board for support to proceed with stewardship gift program ... consensus is to stay with it ... Just will work on gift selections
- Membership — planning for 2012-13 — Idlett indicates need to make membership growth a priority for the spring and summer
- Retired Jersey Program — discussion on potential football candidates by Gilbert ... Just reviewed procedures and setup currently in place to make selections ... candidates are reviewed by a

committee appointed by the Athletics Director (procedure set up after first two jerseys, both football, were retired in 1999); a retired jersey is meant to be the elite of the elite in WKU athletic history; therefore, the basic requirement is that candidate must be a member of the Athletic Hall of Fame before he/she can be considered; however, Just noted that an exception has been made on one occasion ... there has been only one officially retired number in WKU history -- Jim McDaniels' #44 was retired by President Dero Downing at the 1971 Hilltopper Basketball Awards Banquet; later, Jimmy Feix' #66 was retired by Head Coach Jack Harbaugh and Lillie Mason's #32 was retired by Coach Paul Sanderford, however neither of those was formally retired by The University.

NEXT MEETING — 8:00 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 19 in the Conference Room at Meyer Mortgage

— Meeting Adjourned / minutes submitted by Paul Just, Secretary