A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Tulane Alumni Association, a Louisiana non-profit corporation, was called to order at the A.B. Freeman School of Business in New Orleans at 9:00 a.m. pursuant to the notice sent to all directors in accordance with the bylaws.

The following Officers were present:
Stanley Cohn – President; Steve Slattery – President-elect; St. Paul Bourgeois – Vice President; Suzanne Valtierra - Secretary/Treasurer; Bill Kammer – Immediate Past President and Rick Powell – Representative to the Board of Tulane

The following Directors were present:
Ed DeSocio – Public Health; Mark Johnson – Tulane Clubs; Jack Kushner – Member-at-large; Dan O’Connor – Tulane Clubs; Rusty Pickering – Tulane Clubs; Michelle Rinehart – Tulane Clubs; Helen Schneidau – Newcomb; Carol Showley – Tulane Clubs; and Robert Tessaro – Tulane Clubs

The following Directors were absent:
Brett Boyce – University College; Juan Castillo – Business; Rod Chapel – Tulane Clubs; Chris Cobb – Architecture; Molly Dwyer – Tulane Clubs; Burdette Huffman – Tulane College; Robert Kahl – Engineering; Don Kim – Member-at-large; Surveen Klein – Social Work; Jini Koh – Tulane Clubs; Michael Littenberg – Law; Kelly McKean – Tulane Clubs; Anthony Recasner – Graduate School; Neil Robinson – Medicine; Dale Robinson-Rogers – Member-at-large and Nathan Schwam – Tulane Clubs

Also present were the following Committee and Task Force Chairs:
Tommy Meehan – Student Outreach Task Force

In addition, the following Tulane Club Presidents, Co-Presidents and representatives were present: Sharon Bourgeois, Lafayette, LA; Joe Davenport, Gulf Coast, MS; Lara Geller, Miami, FL; Mary Lynn Hyde, San Diego, CA; Tom Lee, Orange County, CA; Rod Russell, Northshore, LA; Theresa Schieber, New York, NY; Lisa Yip, Memphis, TN and Ruth Zarren, St. Louis, MO

Also present were the following past presidents:
Bill Kammer – past president; Charlotte Travieso – past president and Robbert Vorhoff – past president

Also present were Alumni Affairs office members:
Also the following guests were present:
Amjad Ayoubi, Luann Dozier, Erin Johnson, Yvette Jones, Sally Lee, Ben Nolan, Glen Schreitmueller, and Roger Shinholser

Stanley Cohn, President, presided and Jenny Daigle Benoit, Assistant Director of Alumni Affairs recorded the proceedings of the meeting.

General introductions and announcements were made. The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Stanley Cohn introduced Amjad Ayoubi.

Dr. Amjad Ayoubi, Executive Director, Career Services Center

- The Tulane Career Center offers services to students for a variety of career needs, such as how to choose a major or a career path which best suits their interests, skills and personal values. We provide access to job and internship resources, help with résumés and cover letters, conduct mock interviews, give advice for Graduate School preparation, and much more. We also help students streamline their job search strategy to optimize future success.

Charlotte Travieso, Director Alumni Affairs

- Charlotte thanked everyone for attending the board meeting.
- Charlotte welcomed Ashley Hermann as the new Alumni Affairs Assistant and also stated that Jenny’s last day working with Alumni Affairs is October 31st. Charlotte thanked Jenny for all of her hard work.
- Charlotte encouraged all board members to make sure that their information in the directory is correct. If not please let Charlotte know.
- Reimbursement forms are also in the packet. Please fill out forms with original receipts.
- Hillary Green will take Jenny’s position soon.
- Charlotte gave a summary of the events happening over the weekend.
- The tents will open at 11am at the Superdome. We will have 2 tents, TAA/ T-Club and a silver tent for the classes of 1980 and 1981.
- PCUAD has been working for a couple of years on ARAMP. This is an attempt to put industrial standards on the work that Alumni Relations Professionals do.
- Charlotte shared with the board the report from the PCUAD group.

Stanley thanked Charlotte and introduced Yvette Jones.

Yvette Jones, Senior Vice President

- Renewal Plan Update
  - Fundraising
    - Lavin-Bernick Center Dedication on December 6
    - $590 million towards the $ 700 million dollar goal
Self imposed goal of $600 million

$25 million raised in unrestricted funds after Katrina

Tulane Fund

$100 million from insurance

FEMA

Endowment

Rebuilding Fund

Retaining Faculty and Staff

Athletics

Turchin Stadium is a $10 million dollar project and we are $1 million away from being fully funded

Turchin will open April 1

Board Member Challenge

Reinstate Division 1A program

Baseball Stadium

Richard Schmidt, Representative to the Board of Tulane

Renewal Plan moving forward

Reopen University Center December 6

Reintroduce Promise and Distinction Campaign

Approved a plan to phase sports back to full Division 1A status by 2011

Baseball stadium renovation going well

$10 million dollar grant to renovate Folgeman arena

Working with the School of Science and Engineering to put together a strategic plan

Biggest disappointment is the incoming Freshman Class

Reoriented full marketing campaign towards Guidance Counselors

Campus is safer today than it was 2 years ago

Committee/Task Force Reports:

Awards Committee

Awards Committee is well on its way to provide us with recipients who will be honored in April

We have changed the venue for the Awards Lunch from the Audubon Tea Room to the Lavin-Bernick Center

Club Committee

Clubs are all operating and holding events within reasonable budgets

We have 2 possibly 7 new clubs

Online Community reservation site

Finance Committee

Most clubs are doing a great job of operating under a tight budget

First meeting that we are able to offer reimbursements up to $500 dollars

We will not have a Board Meeting in February so that we can have an out of town strategic board meeting

Nominating Committee
No Report

- Programming Committee
  - Stanley gave dates for the upcoming events
- Athletics Task Force
  - The Athletics Department will be at Division 1A
- Community Outreach Task Force
  - Lot of opportunities with clean up and partnering with other colleges and universities in the area
- Student Outreach Task Force
  - Make Alumni Board available to students on what it means to be an alum

Closing Remarks – Stanley Cohn, TAA President

Regular session was adjourned