

MUAA Chapter President's Meeting September 1, 2020

Present: Mikala Shremshock, Matt Hayes, Kasey Stevens, Janie McDaniel, Barbara White (Raleigh Chapter), Donna Brumfield, Jessica Wintz-Adams, Joe Self, Doug Leeber (Beckley), Mark Via, Steve Nicely

1. Welcome

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 by Barbara White.

2. Update from Matt Hayes

Great to see students back on campus. Everyone wearing masks and COVID cases are low.

3. Marshall Rising Update from Matt Hayes

COVID put the brakes on Marshall Rising, but still making progress. 80% of goal reached for Marshall Rising Campaign – goal \$150 million. Made decision to back off on solicitations for campaign, but will begin to start ramping back up soon. Pleased with progress!

4. New Chapter Development Progress

- Richmond VA – Brent Kimball starting a chapter there
- Ocala, FL – Tom Bailey hoping to get things started in next few weeks
- Columbus, OH – Harvey Austin & Joe Self
- Houston chapter had virtual happy hour a few weeks ago and hosted Ron Area. If any chapters are interested in doing this, contact Kasey Stevens for help setting this up.
- Kasey suggested having established programs mentor new programs. Anyone interested in mentoring contact Kasey.
- Doug Leeber suggested bowling as a future activity for chapter engagement.

5. Update from Summer Board Meeting – Mikala Shremshock – MUAA Board President

Mikala reported about the meeting that was held virtually in July. Next Board meeting – still pending final plans. Chapter presidents are honorary board members and are welcome to serve on any committees. Contact Matt, Kasey or Larry if interested.

6. Other Activities – Matt Hayes and Kasey Stevens

Recommendation from the Alumni Association is for all chapters to meet virtually and not attempt to meet in person. No tailgating at the home games or any football games. Homecoming is 100% virtual. Let Matt and team know if any in-person events are planned as there is a form that must be filled out. Link to form to fill out for any planned events: <https://www.herdalum.com/event-request-form-2020> Be aware of guidelines in your area and please follow those guidelines. Let Matt and Kasey know if there is any way they can help.

7. Open Discussion

Thank you from Jessica Wintz-Adams to all the chapter presidents in attendance.

Matt wants to do the best we can to give Marshall Alumni a great virtual homecoming. Barbara suggested we look at it as an opportunity for chapters to get involved virtually and help out where they can.

Next Meeting – December 1, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Janie McDaniel, MUAA Board Secretary