



MUAA Executive Board Meeting

March 26th 2026

AGENDA

Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Call to Order & Welcome @5:32pm

- Jimmy Black, MUAA President

MUAA General Business

- Attendance & Minutes Review – Misty Ferguson, Secretary
 - o Minutes just went out, if you need any edits, please email
 - o Question - where do the signup genius go to ? - Walker
- Treasurer's Report – David Collins, Treasurer
 - o To Nico - Can we get where we are in the budget spend?
 - Nico will set up with himself, Scott and Dave in the next week and get files to Dave to look at beforehand
 - o \$39,000+ in the corpus
 - o No update for golf outing - Need to touch base with Melanie
 - Have date solidified and Isaac on Board who works there.
 - o T-shirt Sponsors for Graduation - how are we doing
 - Nico will followup with Walker to get that communication out to board and during Alumni weekend
 - Should be about \$10,000 again

Alumni Relations Team Report – Nico Karagosian & Walker Tatum

- Went through Run of Show for Banquet (approx 6-9:10pm)
 - VIP reception 6-7pm
 - Will share more details soon
 - Encouraging staff to attend breakfast morning as well.
 - Mingling would be great
 - Sponsorship is covered and are slated to be in the positive revenue this year for the banquet. Marshall Health came through with \$25K. Several \$5,000 table sponsors and some other cost savings.

3 Cs: What are we doing to Improve the lives & Add Value to our Current Alumni, Students & Communities?

Executive Committee's Most Important Questions for March 2026

- Alumni Awards Banquet Planning
 - Multiple buffet lines
 - Setup and Tear down - not asking board to volunteer, Foundation Staff will be doing the registration and helping break down, but Board members can help if they would like and interacting with people
- Marshall For All – Spring Networking Event: Communication, Expectations & Defining Success
 - o Still need for Wednesday slots, both Virtual and In-person slots
- 2026-27 Executive Slate & Elections
 - o April meeting elections
 - Few interested VP's and 1 interested President
 - Should we have some written/verbal on why they would like to be in the position?
 - Written from those who have expressed interest and then have an opportunity to speak at the meeting, then floor nominations would have time to speak at the meeting.
 - Jimmy to send note out to board.
- Board Nominations Finalized Ballot; Voting Set to Start 3/30/26*
 - o 29 Nominations for the board this year
 - o Nomination meeting the 30th to narrow down the candidates to get the ballot down to 20 people per our bylaws
 - o Nico thoughts
 - With transition in the next couple of month and a new staff member in the next couple of weeks would it be preferable to hold off on new board members for a year?
 - Explanation that 10 people roll off and 10 roll on, but retention is about 60% of previous board members.
- Young Alumni Board Roster Spots
 - o Need to vote to approve Connor Waller and Joelle Williams as the first two Young Alumni Representatives
 - o Would start July 2026, but get invited to the rest of the meetings for this current year
 - o Steve approved to proxy the vote by Jimmy
 - Janie makes a motion and Dave seconds to approve the two nominees.
 - Jill approves via email
 - Jimmy approves
 - Janie approves
 - Nico is voting for the VP slot that is open - and approves

- Majority approves and motion passes. Two members are approved.
- May General Board Meeting Options
 - President Smith's listening session is currently during the board meeting time, May 14th
 - Add on 30 minutes to current May meeting, making the meeting 530pm - 700pm - 45 minute listening session, 45 minute board meeting
- Sara question - presidential appointees to Exec committee stay on? Need to review bylaws to see what they say. It has been different for different previous years.

Adjournment:

At 6:32pm

Upcoming Dates:

- **Marshall 4 All Networking Events: Various Times April 6th – April 9th**
- **Alumni Weekend & Spring In Person Meeting: April 10th 2026 at 9 a.m. Foundation Hall**
- **Spring Fountain Ceremony: April 11th 2026 at 11:30 a.m. Memorial Student Center**
- **87th Annual Alumni Awards Banquet: April 11th 2026 at 6 p.m. Marshall Health Network Arena**
- **Spring Commencement: Sat May 9th at 9 a.m. Marshall Health Network Arena**
- **General Board Meeting: Thurs May 14th 2026 at 5:30 p.m. via Teams**
- **Community Cares Week: May 18th – May 22nd**
- **Executive Board Meeting: Thurs May 28th 2026 at 5:30 p.m. via Teams**

Go Herd!

Attendance:

Jill

Janie

Nico

Jimmy

Sara

David