



MUAA General Board Meeting

March 12th, 2026

AGENDA

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

Call to Order & Welcome @5:33pm

- Jimmy Black, MUAA President
 - o Looking forward to Alumni Weekend
 - o Currently in MI

MUAA General Business

- Attendance & Minutes Review – Misty Ferguson, Secretary
 - o Minutes out this morning
 - If any updates are needed, bring up notes in meeting or email to secretary
 - o Updated Bylaws were also sent out and sent in for updates
- Treasurer's Report – David Collins, Treasurer
 - o \$38661.89 Corpus
 - 10 gifts, with additional \$100 since last meeting

Alumni Relations/Campus Update Reports

- **Director of Alumni Engagement Walker Tatum**
 - o Owes emails to people - will send tomorrow
 - o Thank you for effort for Alumni Weekend
 - Power points at bottom - details were in email from Walker yesterday
 - Baseball game - 1 comp ticket
 - Spring Fountain Ceremony - afternoon
 - Spring Game - 3pm kickoff then on-field meet and greet
 - Banquet to follow - Signup genius to come - Ticket and plus 1 included
- **President & CEO, Sr VP of Advancement Nico Karagosian**
 - o Positions update
 - Assistant Director of Alumni Relations
 - Brought 4 candidates to campus for interviews
 - Bringing 2 in for final interviews next week

- o Cohort 1 (now Juniors)
 - Want to make a session for those students
 - To the baseball game on Friday of Alumni weekend

Committee A: Janie McDaniel, VP2

- Chapters: (Megan Barbour/Tiffany Ferrari)
 - o Great call with Foundation staff and Brad and Alys
 - Made announcement about matching funds over the next year
 - More details and major announcement to come
- Events: (Rashad Sanders/Chris Dickerson)
 - o Thanks to Walker for coming to last meeting
 - o Donuts, tickets for game (admission only), check-in process for banquet to be updated
- Business & Development: (Melanie Pagliaro/David Collins)
 - o No updates available
 - o Jimmy -
 - Glenn's - Store concluded on the 2nd of March
 - Working with BSN on spring store and foundation for sponsorships

Committee B: Jill Jackson, VP1

- Membership: (Melissa Blatt/Michael Perry)
 - o Blinko keychain
 - o Rebecca met with Augeo
 - Strategize with monthly themes to drive people to Perks
- By-Laws: (Steve Wellman)
 - o No updates available

Miscellaneous Items & Adjournment

- Signup Genius to go out by tomorrow and details for networking event from Jimmy
- Board nominations close next Friday, March 20
- At April Board meeting - Board elections
- Max Lederer - former president on COLA award winner
- If you are on a committee and getting emails from committee chair, please respond and attend meetings
- Ready for Alumni weekend

Upcoming Dates:

- **Executive Board Meeting: Thurs March 26th 2026 at 5:30 p.m. via Teams**
- **Marshall For All Networking Events: April 6th - April 9th 2026 at Drinko Atrium**
- **Alumni Weekend 2026: April 10th – 11th 2026**
- **Spring In Person Meeting: April 10th 2026 at 9 a.m. Foundation Hall**
- **Alumni Awards Banquet: April 11th 2026 at 6 p.m. (Time TBD) Marshall Health Arena**

- **Spring Commencement: May 9th 2026 at 9 a.m. Marshall Health Arena**
- **General Board Meeting: Thurs May 14th 2026 at 5:30 p.m. via Teams**
 - o Jenny Painter - Brad's COS - listening tour- Brad Will be attending meeting
 - o Confirm new board members from Election
- **Community Cares Week: May 18th – May 22nd**

Tiffany - Is there a cancellation policy for room block? - Do not know, Walker will look at contract and get back. 48 hours prior.

Jill - Will create a "know before you go" for the weekend's activities

Joe - When is the Marshall Cares? Night of Baseball game - will be buy tickets at the door for spouses? Depends on how the conference is going, may be good to get it before. Foundation will touch base with athletics to see how to get extra tickets next to where we are sitting.

Go Herd! Meeting concluded at @6:33pm

Attendance:

Misty

Krista

Jennifer Brown

Chris

Piper

Daniel

Debbie

Tiffany

Dominique

Laura

Isaac

Jill

James

Jimmy

Joe

Leslie

Jane

Cristina

Megan

Missy

Nico

Walker

Rebecca

Feon

Annette

Brad

RaShad

Sara

2026 ALUMNI WEEKEND

Friday (4/10):

- MUAA Board Meeting
- MU Baseball Game Friday evening

Saturday (4/11):

- Spring Fountain Ceremony
- Spring Game
- 87th Alumni Awards Banquet

2026 ALUMNI WINNERS

4 Major Award Winners:

Distinguished Alumni: **Hensley Family**

Distinguished Young Alumna: **James "Travis" Donahoe**

Distinguished Service to Marshall University: **Sharon Shaffer**

Outstanding Community Achievement: **Dr. Sydnee McElroy**

College Award of Distinction Honorees:

COLA: **Max Lederer**

COEPD: **Wilbur Billups**

COS: **Darla McCormack**

CAM: **Craig Burletic and Rod Elkins**

COHP: **Bruce Brown**

Honors College: **Dr. Matt Weimer**

LCOB: **Chuck Oldaker**

CECS: **TBA**

MUSOM: **Dr. Susan Flesher**

MUSOP: **Dr. Brittany Messer**