

UNIVERSITY OF ST. FRANCIS

BUSINESS ALUMNI NETWORK (BAN) MEETING MINUTES

SATURDAY, April 1st, 2017

- Welcome
- Opening Prayer
- Roll Call
 - Orlando Griego, Karen McGregor, Joseph Ferrallo, Karen Ende, Katie Thayer, AC Tompkins, Ed Wisniewski, Merle Schlaeger, Karen Ciarlette, Danielle Ciechanski, April Smith, Amanda Dore, Aubrey Knight (Alumni Director)
- Motion to approve February minutes
 - Karen Ciarlette first motion, Joseph Ferrallo second motion
 - Approved
- Alumni Report – Aubrey Knight
 - UPCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS: Easter Eggstravaganza 4/8, Computer Science Alumni/Student Event 4/11, Behind the Scenes of “Making Waves”: Battle for the Great Lakes” 4/20, USF Planting Day (Service Day at Sunny Hill Nursing Home) 5/13, Bluestem Earth Festival 5/20, Pat Sullivan Golf Outing 6/2, The Shrine of Christ’s Passion & Tiebel’s Lunch 6/15, BAN Bowling Party 7/21, Crosstown Classic at Wrigley 7/25, 12th Annual Mystery Progressive Dinner 8/12. Exciting new fall events will be advertised this summer! Register for all events at www.stfrancis.edu/alumni/events.
 - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Commencement is Saturday, May 6 and we are looking for volunteers to assist us in passing out t-shirts to the new graduates. Available volunteer timeslots include 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. and/or 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Interested in helping? Email alumni@stfrancis.edu
 - STUDENT ALUMNI MENTORING (SAM): We are looking for alumni to sign up for SAM for the upcoming academic year. The application can be found at www.stfrancis.edu/sam and your obligation is minimal, but impact is tremendous for our current students. Please consider joining us. If you participated this year, you may fill out the renewal application on the same website.
 - SENIOR CELEBRATION: For the first time, the Alumni Office has taken over coordination and implementation of Senior Celebration. It will be hosted Wednesday, April 19 from 8 p.m to 10 p.m. at Crest Hill Lanes. All alumni are invited to join us to honor our new graduates!
 - HOMECOMING/REUNION WEEKEND 2017: Homecoming & Reunion Weekend has been set (Oct. 7-8) and early planning is underway. We will be looking for alumni volunteers to assist us throughout the weekend.
 - NETWORK MEETING DATES: Save the dates! Alumni Network Meeting dates for the 2017-2018 academic year have been planned (Oct. 7, 2017, Dec. 9, 2017, Feb. 3, 2018, April 14, 2018)
- College of Business and Health Administration Update – Dr. Orlando Griego
 - Healthcare & Administration enrollment down 60%
 - Options: lower price, better quality, get out of the market
 - Classes in Cairo will begin in September and Vietnam TBD
 - MS in Finance will be developed in 2017
 - Healthcare MBA is in development
 - Hunter Global is seeking worldwide opportunities for business classes
- BAN Newsletter – Joseph Ferrallo
 - BAN newsletter is in progress
 - Highlight the Business Research students as they will complete two projects in the spring semester
 - Need to find alumni and students to spotlight

- Possibly spotlight a SAM mentor and mentee
 - If there are any suggestions for improving the BAN web page, please email either AC Tompkins or Aubrey Knight
- Sponsored Events & Service Opportunities
 - Joliet Hope Center Service Day – April 1st, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. (shuttle will be provided at 10:45 a.m. from the Motherhouse)
 - BAN Meeting will begin at 8 A.M. that morning
 - Gardening Service Day at Sunny Hill Nursing Home – Saturday, May 13th from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m.
 - Joliet Junior College Career Fair – May 24th at Event Center on Main Campus
 - Bowling Night – Friday, July 21st at 6 p.m.
- Old Business
 - Illinois Small College Placement Association Career Fair – February 15th
 - Go to iscpas.com for more information
 - Career Networking and Etiquette Dinner – February 23rd at 6:00 p.m.
 - Career Fair at USF – March 16th
 - Relay for Life – March 24th at 5 p.m. in the Rec Center
 - Thank you for all who volunteered at Sunny Hill Nursing Home for Christmas caroling!
 - Thank you for all who attended and donated at the 60th Annual Caritas Ball
 - Over 480 people attended
 - Social Media
 - Like our Facebook page
 - Promote to attend BAN meeting after the new year
 - Reach out to alumni to encourage the use of Career Services
- New Business
 - Instead of the alumni panel, a Dinner or Cocktail with Saints is proposed to teach students networking skills
 - Idea to incorporate Kahoot into networking events– compete in any subject online
 - Other details TBD
 - Nominations for BAN President-Elect
 - Motion to approve Karen Ende: first motion Karen Ciarlette and second motion Ed Wisniewski - approved
 - Volunteers are needed for College of Business classroom visits – dates TBD
 - Continue to promote NACElink, an online job posting and college recruiting system to current students and alumni
 - Donations will be collected for the BAN brick – please contact AC Tompkins for more information
- Upcoming Meetings
 - Saturday, October 7th, 2017 at 8:00 a.m.
 - Saturday, December 9th, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.
 - Saturday, February 3rd, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.
 - Saturday, April 4th, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.
- Adjournment at 8:50 a.m.
 - Karen Ciarlette first motion, Joseph Ferrallo second motion



USF Business Alumni Network (BAN) Meeting Agenda

Saturday, February 4th, 2017

8:30 a.m., Cultural Center C164, Motherhouse 1st Floor

Conference Call Info – (888) 204-5987, Access Code: 3281760