



POWER MEMORIAL ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.

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PMAAA Board of Directors Meeting Saturday, August 28th, 2021 Meeting Minutes

On Saturday, August 28, 2021, at 9:30 AM, the PMAAA Board of Directors convened via video conference. The following members of the Board participated:

Andrew Pisani	Sean Crowley	Kevin McGeary
Michael Kelly	Carl Hall	Dennis Mooney
Kevin Bollbach	Joseph DeFazio	John Torres
Brian McCann	Norm Jardine	Thomas Tuffey
	Steve Kallas	Maurice Zuniga*
	Steven Lazarus	
Excused: Rick Martin, John Begley		
*Invited non-Board member		

- The PMAAA Board of Directors meeting was opened with a prayer by President Chick Pisani.
- The minutes of the July 17th Regular Meeting and the August 7th Special Meeting were previously distributed to all Board members for their review. Brian McCann motioned to waive the reading of the minutes and accept the minutes of the July 17th and August 7th meetings. This motion was seconded by Joe DeFazio and passed unanimously.
- Treasurer Kevin Bollbach provided the financial report. The financials as of August 28, 2021 are summarized below:

As of:	JAN. 23, 2021	FEB. 20, 2021	JULY 17, 2021	Aug. 28, 2021
Checking	\$ 29,575.48	\$ 33,860.00	\$ 18,381.78	\$ 16,443.82
Savings	65,769.34	65,770.00	35,773.86	56,774.98**
Subtotal Cash & Savings	<u>\$ 95,344.82</u>	<u>\$ 99,630.00</u>	<u>\$ 54,155.64</u>	<u>\$ 73,218.80</u>
PAR Challenge in Checking A/C		(11,773.00)		
Total Cash & Savings		\$ 87,857.00	\$ 54,155.64	\$ 73,218.80
PayPal (in transit)	100.00	0.00	0.00	
Total w/PayPal	<u>\$95,444.82</u>	<u>\$ 87,857.00</u>	<u>\$ 54,155.64</u>	<u>\$ 73,218.80</u>
Restricted Cash		36,990.00		
2021 Restricted Donation to AHHS		5,000.00		
Unrestricted Cash		<u>\$ 45,867.00</u>		
Amazon Smile Donations (To-Date)	\$183.27	\$ 183.27	\$ 183.27	\$ 280.79
Network for Good				\$ 2,225.79



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It was noted that, to date, the Association has received \$2,225.00 from the *Network for Good*. This program is sponsored by Facebook, where a Facebook member invites their friends to contribute towards the *Network for Good* fund in honor of the FB member's birthday. The Facebook member chooses the charitable organization that should be the recipient of the contributions. The *Network for Good*, in turn, sends a check to the charity chosen by the member. Brian McCann suggested that the PMAAA promote this program to all alumni as a vehicle to raise funds; especially in view of the shortfalls that the Association is facing as a result of COVID event cancellations.

- Dennis Mooney reported that the PMAAA Webpage Improvement Project is near completion. Dennis will meet with Webmaster John Begley to discuss the changes to the website. The new website is expected to be launched by the end of September.
- Chick Pisani reported that PMAAA Annual Appeal remains on hold.
Joe DeFazio added that he received a call from Rich Carter from the Christian Brother's Foundation (CBF). Mr. Carter stated that the Annual CBF Appeal solicitations have been mailed out to the alumni of all Edmund Rice Christian Brother's schools. This mailing was sent out via First Class Mail which will provide a report from the USPS of all undeliverable solicitations. The CBF will share the updated data base with the Association after the report from the USPS is received.
- There is no change in the Fund Raising Project, per Carl Hall.
- Norm Jardine was contacted by Jim Austin of the Immaculate Conception Center (ICC). Mr. Austin conveyed that the ICC has cancelled all outside functions until the end of November. Therefore, the Annual PMAAA HOF Dinner cannot be held as scheduled. A discussion ensued as to when the dinner should be rescheduled. Various scenarios emerged from the collective Board members as to when the dinner should be rescheduled. Steve Lazarus, however, suggested that we should hold-off resolving the issue at this meeting and take a vote to cancel the November 13th, 2021 dinner and resolve this issue at a later date. Dennis Mooney subsequently motioned to cancel the November 13th HOF Dinner. The motion was seconded by Carl Hall and passed unanimously.
- Joe DeFazio stated that the Annual PMAAA Mass of Remembrance is still on track for March 12th, 2022. Bishop Walsh has been notified and the church has been reserved. The status of the St. Patrick's Day Parade is unknown at this time.
- Kevin McGeary presented the HOF candidates for 2021. The Board will vote on recommended candidates once all resumes have been reviewed by the Board. The HOF Committee will forward the resumes to the Board within the next two weeks. A formal vote is expected to be taken at the next meeting.
In addition to voting for the HOF nominees at the next meeting, the Board will vote on the acceptance of the HOF Guidelines that were developed by the HOF Committee.
- Steve Kallas motioned to accept the **Nick Fotui Foundation** raffle that he proposed at the July 17th meeting. The motion was seconded by Steve Lazarus and accepted unanimously by the Board.



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- Chick Pisani advised that the rights to the Power Memorial Academy trademark have been abandoned by the Christian Brothers. He requested assistance from the attorneys who are Board members to explore what is required to assume the rights to the trademark under the PMAAA. Sean Crowley will inquire within his firm to see if any of his colleagues have any experience in this area of the law. Sean will get back to the Board with his findings at the next meeting. In the meantime, Chick Pisani will circulate the website that contains the information of the trademark expiration to all Board members.
- Dennis Mooney presented the Scholarship Committee's plan to award scholarships to worthy All Hallows students. In summary, the Committee presented a four year plan that will phase-in the awarding of one-quarter scholarships to four students. The cost of this plan after three years will be \$25,000.00. Once all scholarships have been phased in, the annual cost to the Association will be \$10,000.00. The Scholarship Committee will follow-up with All Hallows as to each student's progress on a quarterly basis. Dennis Mooney motioned to approve the plan as presented. The motion was seconded by Chick Pisani. After a subsequent vote, the motion was passed unanimously.
- Sean Crowley did not have any updates on All Hallows since there has been little activity over the summer months.
- Sean Crowley advised the Board that there has been an extension to the rule allowing remote meetings to take place during the pandemic by not for profit Boards. Sean also advised that there is legislation in place to make this rule permanent.
- PMAAA HOF Podcasts have been placed on hold during the summer, per Dennis Mooney. The next podcasts would be either John Lovett or Ralph Wetterhahn. Sean Crowley added that Peter Vallone has expressed interest in participating in a podcast. Sean advised Dennis that he will be willing to assist in arranging this interview.
- A discussion took place regarding the scanning of all the PMA yearbooks for posting on the PMAAA website. The cost to scan each yearbook is fifty dollars. There were forty-four yearbooks were published. The total cost to scan all fifty-six yearbooks would be \$2,300. Steve Lazarus, Kevin McGearry and Dennis Mooney all generously volunteered to share the cost for this effort.
- The Board has been advised that Len Elmore is being honored by the **Joe Lapchick Character Award Foundation**. The Foundation is seeking the support of the PMAAA for this worthwhile cause. As such, after a brief discussion, a motion was put forward by Chick Pisani for the PMAAA to purchase two tickets at \$150.00 each (total \$300.00) to send two Association representatives to this event in support of our fellow alum, Len Elmore. Joe DeFazio seconded the motion, and the motion was subsequently put to a vote. The motion passed by ten votes in favor, one against, and one abstention. Chick Pisani and Dennis Mooney will be attending.
- Maurice Zuniga asked for an email address that can be provided to the supplier of the PMAAA Challenge Coin to allow the vendor to post this address on their website so that the coin may be promoted. Dennis Mooney will provide to Maurice a dedicated email address.



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The next meeting will be held on Saturday, October 9th, 2021, at 9:30 AM. The meeting will be conducted via video teleconferencing. The sign-in link and agenda will be provided prior to the meeting.

Respectfully submitted.
Brian McCann

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