



The Sequassen Alumni Association

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President: Dave Sprowson
Vice President: Dylan Hogan
Treasurer: Dave Applegate
Secretary: Niels Thomsen
Ancient Advisor: Kenny Wright

Sequassen Alumni Association Fall 2025 Business Meeting Minutes

Attendees: D. Sprowson, D. Hogan, D. Applegate, N. Thomsen, K. Wright, B. Cruson, K. Polzella, P. Maxim, B. Gold, Z. Creigh, D. Nicol, B. Polzella, T. Simms, S. Fahy, V. Vannicola, J. McGuire, Z. Elahee, P. Walsh, M. Migliore, S. Sprowson, N. Dennehy, N. Gruener, G. Delaney, A. Gerstein, P. Lamastro, J. Wronski,

Opening: D Hogan and D Sprowson call meeting to order.

Reports:

Treasurer: \$251,000 total overall in accounts. General fund Balance: \$42,911.45. \$180,000 allocated to projects, approximately 60,000. Reunion Dinner: \$24,070.78, Oktoberfest: \$2,265.90. 100th Anniversary \$42,148 current balance. Currently receiving ongoing monthly payments towards fundraising pledges, \$1171/month ongoing donations. Money-Market Account (MMA) approximately 4% interest currently, 163k currently in MMA. Executive Board Discretionary fund: \$4,000, received check to allocate funding to RD's use, placed in fund for safe guarding. Ledge fund: \$21,000

Membership: 186 memberships, 20% increase from last year. Now offering recurring memberships. Positive reception. Transitioned to new membership software (Zeffy). Consolidated onto one site, check out on same site, now access to Tap-to-Pay.

Old Business:

Reunion Dinner: 185 tickets sold. First attendance of Council president. Current SA unable to make it due to prior commitment. First Corporate sponsor: **All Points Technology**, Food donated by Luke Murphy. High number of staff in attendance, some volunteered for kitchen, Migs coordinated kitchen during event. A/V equipment and use donated by J Van Leewen. Total contributions ~60k. Silent auction items did not rise as high as previous years. Potential committee will lead independent of VP, with oversight. T. Ferraroti made and contributed multiple items to auction. Kailyn and Brian Polzella contributed and organized baskets for raffle.

Maloney multisport court: Ground broken during summer. trees cleared, awaiting stump removal. Proposed expansion of width of court by 6 feet, suggested by alumni members who inspected site during Oktoberfest event. Expansion in order to accommodate additional court space. With 6 feet expansion, could accommodate 2 pickle ball courts or expand courts further in future. Initial orientation was parallel to Clark Field, adjusted to be perpendicular to accommodate preservation of large oak tree. Discussion for expansion due to adjusting of court orientation. Dimensions of court are currently 80ft long x 50ft wide. Expansion would adjust dimensions to 80ft long x 56ft wide. D. Applegate reports adjusting dimension at this point of the project are extremely difficult due to the tightness of funding for project.



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Alumni Days: Previously, event from solely during Fire Hose competition. Has been successful for number of years with enhancing increasing membership. Expanded awareness during course of day during camp season on Wednesday. Alumni Afterparty- Ice-cream/snack social. Open to anyone over age 16. Widely and highly attended. Greatly increased apparel sales, effectively sold out of all in stock apparel. Average \$1,000/week. 5978 total gross revenue from alumni events during summer. Great interaction with staff and scouts which contributed to increased participation in event. Lead to large number of camper attendance of Reunion dinner. Had approximately 60 people attend after party. Approximately 30 new sign ups from after party. Driven by D Hogan and N Dennehy.

Oktoberfest: Made money. Planned via designated committee, previously coordinated directly by past VP. Low fundraising success, excellent fellowship event. Approximately 30 people in attendance. No longer partnering with Little Red Barn Brewing. Received donations of alcoholic cider from M. Coll and family. Attempted obtain donations from breweries, but had difficulties with getting breweries to follow through. Focusing for next year on expanding attendance. Large expressed interest but hard time of year when competing with fair season.

Merchandise: As noted, increased sales. Carhartt shirts sold out by Week 5, sales made for out side of purchasing sizes. Had no apparel available for Oktoberfest. 51 polos left, patches, playing cards, cribbage boards are all supply left in stock.

New Business:

Proposed Bylaws changes:

Creation of life-time membership (individual) \$600. 24 years of annual membership. When invested, would create 25 in interest/year, equaling same amount as current annual membership. **Discussion of potential complication with meeting quorum. Motion to accept as written By N. Thomsen Second By T Heinz. Vote: Yay: 14 Nay: 3, Abstain: 1: Pass.**

Adjustment of Associate membership age, Adjustment of age 16 from 17. Brought due to large amount of interest from 16 year old campers/staffers. D. Applegate proposed addendum to remove Associate members from Quorum. Discussion by D. Hogan to adjust language that associates will count towards quorum if in attendance, but not considered part of the requirements to meet quorum. Amended verbiage settled as: Associate will not be counted towards to calculating quorum. **Motion towards amended verbiage by D. Applegate, Second J. Werman. Vote: Yay:16 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0; Pass Unanimous. Motion towards bylaw change with amended verbiage: Motion By D. Applegate, Second By K Wright: Motion to Acclaim By D Applegate, Second By K Wright: Passes without contention.**

Creation of Vice Presidency of Membership, adjustment of language throughout bylaws to reflect creation of new Vice Presidency. Discussion of creation of role is directly responsible to manage membership and continue ongoing growth in memberships **Motion by K. Wright, Second by D. Applegate. Motion to Acclaim by D. Hogan, Second by B Gold, Passes without contention.**

Motion to accept Tyler Heinz as VP of Membership by D. Sprowson, Seconded by D. Applegate. Motion to acclaim By D. Hogan, Second by T Heinz. Pass without contention.

Camperships: 3 current camperships, 4th incoming. 5th from monument down the line.



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Request by RD:

Request from RD for allocating funding from Reunion Dinner towards purchasing a new Oven at \$15,000, \$300 for installation of oven, and additional funding of 18,000 towards purchasing a new kettle if one can be found at auction. Motion by D Applegate, Second by D. Hogan to approve 33k which would cover: oven with installation and funding for kettle, if it can be found at auction. Motion acclaim by D. Hogan, Second T. Heinz. Pass without contention.

Budget: Please see attached notes as sent by Treasurer D. Applegate. \$200/year requested by B. Cruson for Historical committee for office supply to maintain historical **Motion By D. Applegate Second by Sprowson; For allocating funds as requested for historical committee. Motion acclaim by D. Hogan, Second by Sprowson. Pass without contention.**

Motion to accept the proposed budget with previously approved addendum of line item for historical committee by N. Thomsen Second by T Heinz. Motion acclaim D Hogan, Second J Werman. Passes without contention.

J Werman appointed by D. Sprowson to chair plaques and memorials committee.

D. Hogan and team are currently working on relaunching website via Microsoft with greater functionality, implanting Zeffy directly to website, online store, member side of website. Possible save \$100.

Ongoing work to prepare for 100th anniversary celebration. Further coordination to ensure not doubling over work being done by other groups within council.

Spring meeting date: June 13th 2026. Fall Meeting Date selection tabled for Spring meeting.

Other: Kudos to D. Applegate by D. Hogan for significant work done to manage financial accounts.
Photo displayed by B. Gold of Founders taken during the Reunion dinner.

Closing: Motion by D. Sprowson Second by D. Hogan.