

**Princeton Class of 1966  
Minutes of Class Meeting  
11 November, 2017**

The meeting of the Princeton Class of 1966 was called to order by President Kit Mill in the President's Room, The Nassau Club, 26 Mercer St., Princeton, New Jersey at 8:58am on Saturday, the 11<sup>th</sup> of November, 2017.

In attendance: Kit Mill, Glenn Goltz, Jim Parmentier, John Edie, Rick Bowers, Frank Nuessle, John Hart, Dennis Davis, Staś Maliszewski, Walter Bliss, Ron Landeck, Jim Merritt, Jon Dawson, Bill Leahy, Ruth and Ken Krosin (in order of arrival).

Via telephone: Jon Holman

The meeting followed an agenda prepared by Kit.

**Introduction and Minutes**

**Mill**

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as submitted.

Kit recognized for special thanks the work of all Class officers and the work recently of Nelson Hendler and Astrid who organized the impressive '66 Mini-Reunion, Cambridge MD, October 13-15, 2017.

**Reunions and Regional Luncheons Oversight**

**Edie**

John underscored and supported the Mini-Reunion remarks of Kit and stressed that he especially appreciated the participation of '66 Classmates who may not have graduated with the Class and the participation for Classmates who have not previously been active in earlier Class activities.

John then remarked on the recent formation of the Class of '66 Luncheon Group in the San Francisco Bay Area which met in mid-October under the leadership of Tim Smith and Jon Holman. He mentioned that an incredible 19 members of the Class attended this initial get-together. John added that the Washington DC Luncheon Group has now been continuously active for over 40 years and recognized the on-going successes of the Chicago, Hilton Head, and Boston groups.

Jon Holman, in response to several expressions of praise and inquiry, said that over 40 Bay Area members of our Class were initially contacted (primarily by email) and that after a second and third round of contacts that many "no's" were turned into "yes's" and "next times." Jon generously gave credit to Tim for the superb results.

Rick Bowers added that the Boston Luncheon Group has enjoyed the active participation of many members of the Class of 2016 in their meetings and urged other groups to follow their lead.

John then asked the group for a broader discussion of ideas for future mini-reunions.

Kit asked Ron for his thoughts on assembling a mini-reunion next year in the Northwest. Frank asked if mini-reunions had an effect on our five year reunion turn-outs. Rick asked if the Class might step forward to take some of the financial liability away from the organizers. Kit asked if there should be an effort to organize a mini-reunion for each year between the major, five-year reunions.

There was an open and appreciative discussion of various mini-reunions that have taken place over the years.

John said he would plumb the interest of other members of the Class on these matters and begin to find Classmates who are interested in hosting future mini-reunions.

John was given a hearty thanks by the Chair for his effective Class of '66 work for so many years.

### **Communications**

**Holman**

Jon reported that he has been delighted, and at times felt overwhelmed, by the many Classmates who responded to his personalized birthday cards now resulting in over thirty "new" (renewed) classmate connections.

Many of these responses, both old and new, have been forwarded to Glenn and have been shared in our PAW Class of '66 Notes.

Jon reported his success in further supporting Class Communication by creating Class of '66 Photo Archive. Jon has solicited photos from Classmates and has built an archive of over 4,000 photos and hopes to increase this number to 10,000 photos within the coming year. He asked our assembled group to suggest ways to make this repository easily accessible to our Classmates and also for ideas in which these records can become permanently archived as part of "Princeton History" long into the future.

Jon was warmly thanked by President Mill and by all assembled for his persistence and his inventiveness in exploring pathways of communication and connection.

### **Participation**

**Leahy**

Roller focused his remarks on the upcoming Alumni Day and the associated Class Dinner taking place on Saturday, February 24, 2018. He revealed that the Class of 1966 Locomotive Award would go to Jim Timbie in recognition for his outstanding

work centered on the control of nuclear weapons. Roller mentioned Jim's recent association with George Schultz '42, and his connections to the Hoover Institute. He asked for help to aid him in his introductory comments about Jim for the upcoming presentation of the Locomotive Award.

Roller asked for comments concerning future Class of 1966 Locomotive Awardees. Staś championed the belief that both diversity of accomplishment and unrecognized achievements should play important roles in the selection of future recipients. There was wide-spread agreement and support for Staś' suggestion.

Staś also reported that a FLIX '66 has been posted and circulated concerning the Cambridge Mini-Reunion and also that he would soon be developing additional videos to support Class participation and connection.

Both Roller and Staś were warmly thanked by the Chair.

### **Financial Status**

### **Davis**

Dennis Davis reported on the strong financial status of the Class reporting Total Assets of \$151,216.66.

Dennis asked for opinions concerning the present rate of return on investments, i.e., CD Saving Accounts returning 1.04%. He was encouraged to maintain the present financial arrangements at his discretion.

Dennis was warmly thanked for his continuing service to the Class and for his presentation.

Other financial matters were discussed:

Mill expressed his pleasure that the Class treasury could continue to pay for future, selected Class events.

Ron Landeck asked about the present status of the Big Sibs Project and the funding support for this Class-supported undertaking.

Walter Bliss announced that approximately 56 mentoring pairs of Princeton undergrads and elementary school students had been recently reported. Also, that approximately \$6000. of Class funds (several Classmates' donations.) per semester had supported this project.

It was mentioned that the Princeton Prize in Race Relations had now achieved three hundred and thirty four total prize winners since it began and was now constructing

a data base in order to maintain contact with the winners and gain information from them about their present pursuits. That our Class continues to support the PPRR with a voluntary contribution choice on our annual dues envelope. Also, that a generous bequest by a friend of the Princeton Prize has supported the annual symposium of Prize winners.

Jim Parmentier also reminded those present that our Class will endow the "Princeton Prize in Race Relations Senior Thesis Prize and Undergraduate Research Fund, Endowed by the Princeton University Class of 1966."

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### **Secretarial Stuff**

### **Goltz**

Glenn Goltz thanked David Stitzer, Jon Holman, John Hart, David Marshak and others who have consistently provided "PAW '66 Class Notes" material.

He noted that at our age we often have more "stories" than "news" and thanked Class Webmaster, John Hart, for adding "66 Stories" to our <tiger66.org> News Column.

Glenn expressed his regret and frustration at the long lead time (about 6 weeks from the submission to the publication of the PAW Class Notes) and thanked Staś for his assurance that FLIX '66 which is much more timely, would soon become operational again. Asking for ideas and advice, Glenn commented that many Class Notes submissions concern efforts by Classmates to publicize their books. That these requests, at times, could fill the entire Class Notes. It was suggested that these publication requests be forward to John Hart for inclusion in our websites "Authors and Artists" section.

### **Annual Giving**

### **Mill in behalf of Lutz**

Kit, reading from a handout from Bill, reported the results of the 51<sup>st</sup> Campaign and outlined the goals for the 52<sup>nd</sup>.

For the 51<sup>st</sup>: Bill reported a total of 390 donors, 58.5%, greater than the University average, (versus a goal of 63%). Also, contributions of \$360,300. which exceeded the goal of \$350,000. This was a new off-year record and represented an 8.9% increase from 2014-2015 49<sup>th</sup> Campaign.

Bill announced that the 52<sup>nd</sup> Campaign goals would be 60% participation and a new record goal of \$375,000. A solicitation letter has been sent and a mobilization call is planned for the end of November. Progress to date of Bill's report was a collection of \$112,163. And a participation of 2.6% representing 17 donors.

Bill was thanked by the Chair for his hard work and outstanding results. All in attendance heartily concurred.

## **Reunions**

## **Nuessle/Bowers**

Frank Nuessle, a new Reunion Co-Chair, reported that active planning for our 55<sup>th</sup> had not become operational. Frank expressed gratitude to Turk for having taken him under his wing and for Turk's sharing of the detailed operations manuals used by Turk and Tiny in previous major reunions. He stressed that it is not too early to remind Classmates that our 55<sup>th</sup> will not take place over Memorial Day weekend and he expressed his hope that this change in timing would remove potential scheduling conflicts leading to higher attendance. Frank announced that he has arranged to spend time with the Reunion Committee of the Princeton Class of 1963 to learn from their experience and successes.

Rick Bowers, a new Reunion Co-Chair, announced that he was pleased that John Edie has volunteered to once again arrange housing for our 55<sup>th</sup>. Rick told the group that quiet inquiries were under way to explore the possibility that the University might make Scully Hall available to be our 55<sup>th</sup> site. He hoped that this possibility might result in being favorable for parking, location, convenience and potentially housing for many members of the Class. He will keep us informed and thanked Associate director for Class Affairs, Dottie Werner Bartolino, for her continuing helpfulness for the Class.

Both Rick and Frank were warmly thanked by the Chair for taking on the responsibility of managing our upcoming Reunions. Both Turk and Tiny were recognized, in absentia, for their fifty years of outstanding service.

## **Tiger66.org Webmaster's Report**

## **Hart**

"The Glue that is Holding the Class Together"

John reported that "email broadcasts" or "email blasts" for such items as death notices, Class letters, FLIX '66, etc. were being distributed at about the rate of two per month and were being well taken care of within the University's iModule system. Furthermore, that for the present time, our Class website, tiger 66.org, would be hosted by Reunion Technologies until such time as the iModule program becomes fully operational as expected, which will be sometime in 2018.

John brought to our attention several new features on tiger66.org, namely, the new "story" feature where all Classmates are invited to post interesting narrative accounts, especially those which would be too lengthy for our PAW Class Notes. He noted that the "Authors and Artists" section of our website were increasingly popular for both readers and creators.

John raised several areas of concern: (1) The need for a back-up Webmaster if and when he was no longer able to do the task. (2) The high cost of including Classmate-authored textbooks in our Class' Plohn Hall Library. And (3) The eventual physical disposition of the library at such time that Charles and Dorothy might move out of Plohn Hall.

The Chair profusely thanked John for his enormous and ongoing contributions and noted that his issues would be further considered.

### **Alumni Day**

**Merritt**

Jim reported on the Class of '66 activities for Alumni Day, 2018, Saturday, 24 February, 2018. In addition to University's Alumni Day Awards for Charles Gibson and author Daniel Mendelsohn, the Class will honor during the Service of Remembrance those classmates whose deaths were recorded during the prior calendar year. On line registration will be available in early January.

The Alumni Day Class Dinner will take place at the Present Day Club and reservations can now be made by sending a check to President Mill. An \$80 per person check can be made out to Christopher Mill and sent to 300 Riverside Ave., Riverside, CT 06878. Jim Timbie has been selected to receive the Class of 1966 Locomotive Award in recognition for his outstanding work in nuclear arms reductions. Dr. David Miller, director of Princeton University Faith and Work Initiative, will be our featured speaker. Dr. Miller is an expert on challenging both business people and clergy to think differently about ethics, faith and work.

### **Miscellaneous**

**Mill**

Staś reminded everyone to mark their calendars and to get out the word that the 2018 '66 At the Races in conjunction with the Grand National Steeplechase Races would once again be hosted by Julia and himself. The date is Saturday, April 21, 2108, and all Classmates, spouses and significant others are cordially invited to this outstanding annual event.

### **Adjournment**

**Mill**

Kit asked for any additional business and there being no other business brought forward, this meeting of the Class of 1966 was adjourned at 11:46am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Glenn Goltz  
Secretary, Class of 1966  
17 November, 2017