# **University of Maryland School of Pharmacy Alumni Association**

**Minutes**: April 11, 2023

Attendees (9): Carla Cobbs (CCo), Catherine Cooke (CC), Jennifer Miller Wolf (JM), Greer Griffith (GG), Hongzhuo Lin (HL), James Bresette (JB), Daniel Mansour (DM), Hoai An Troung (HT), Mitch Johnson (MT)

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| **Agenda item** | **Discussion** | **Action** |
| Opening Remarks/Call to order/Approval of Minutes | 7:10pm | 2022 minutes to be approved after committee members review |
| Honored and Honorary Alumnus 2023 and Alfred Abramson awards | JM: Nominations Call.Follow up with Greer for process concerns.CC: Committee reviewing apps (blinded) for Alfred Abramson award with decision on on 4/13 | Form to be sent end of week,also email or text Jen |
| Warren E Weaver Endowment Fund Update  | JM: Rename endowment fundNothing preventing the use of alumni association funds GG: UMB Foundation (UMBF) & legal team reviews all MOU accounts JB: Revisions of MOU, sent comparison of old vs new MOU & new version seems more restrictiveGG: 1995 established endowment, MOU wouldn’t change & do all activities could be utilized in Dean Waver’s honorJB: Reached out to alumni Neil and Dixie (previous treasurers of Alumni Association) and claim we’re currently operating off old MOU DM: Thanks all & wishes to be equal with UMBF. Suggest leadership meet with UMBF team.GG: Point of contentions include administration & governance of fundsJB: UMBF wants to charge. Dean & President can say what happens with money. GG: Existing MOU in new template, keep existing MOU JB: UMBF prefers new format vs stay with current formatDM: give credit to those working behind the scenes & inquire about communication with UMBFJM: Let’s continue to work behind scenes | MOU still in process of finalizationJM: Vote to continue new MOU vs existing 1995 MOU |
| Warren E Weaver Community of Professional Practice | JM: Nomination Committee will reach out to candidates who are practicing and have demonstrated qualification*Candidate qualifications on* *PowerPoint* | ELP and alumni for suggestions |
| Proposed Events for Spring/2023 Graduation Celebration Location – Nick’s Fish House | JM: end of year graduate event CC: 5/19 is graduation GG: Event *already* planned for 5/16JM: join 5/16 @ Nick’sGG: 5 – 7pm all degree programs may attend. About 80 people attending including faculty & staff. JM: golf tournament? In person events. Any ideas?GG: There were graduating classes without celebrations. Consider involving more recent alumni graduates in eventsCC: Suggestions on how to engage more recent graduates? DM: 3 classes together eventJM: Fall or next spring. Truly plan for great attendanceDM: covid cohortGG: MS program had a delayed graduate celebration & it was well attended. Fall was well received. Possible homecoming weekend. Recognize last 2 years of graduates.DM: Preceptors involvement and heads of organization for a greater impactGG: Dean Eddington is stepping down. New Dean ideally beginning in the Fall. Therefore, new classes have an opportunity to meet the new Dean.DM: Honor Dean Eddington & advertise the event well ahead of time. | Proposed events for Spring |
| 2023-2024 Officer Elections | JM: Begin thinking and recruiting for next termGG: nomination info forthcoming | JM to reach out to her classmates and colleagues; send potential names her way |
| New Business/ Pharmacy Giving Month April 3 – 30 | JM: Wins or losses in pharmacy?GG: Appreciation of alumnae. 7 years of giving.Raising $500,000. Promote the 30-day giving challenge. Encourage 5 people and or friends to giveJM: any ideas, suggestion or concerns of Alumni Association freely reach out to via email, text or call  | Gift of support to the school |

Adjourned: 8:02pm

Next Meeting Date: 9/12/23 confirmed post meeting

Minutes Compiled by: Carla Cobbs, PharmD