

Committee Meeting Minutes September 6, 2011

Just to let you all know that you have a couple of dedicated classmates in Diane and Mike Howerter. Diane drives from Kansas City and Mike drives from Parsons to attend these meetings. That doesn't mean that the rest of us aren't dedicated which we are, but they deserve a special Thank You from all of us.

We had a real good meeting. Lots of off the subject chit chatting, but lots of good solid decisions and plans were made also. Very disappointed in returns of our mailings that Duane spent so much time on. Out of all the mailings that were sent out, we only had two responses, of which one was the wrong John Cooley. Ruth Ann Tipton was the only one to respond which informed us that she and Frank would attend and she is also willing to help. Below you will see what we have decided at this point in time. These decisions were based on your questionnaires that you filled out on line. You guys were great in your responses. Thanks very much!

The bus tour on Thursday is very popular with most. We will carry out with this event and Trudy and I are the coordinators for this event.

The Thursday evening dinner at the Prairie Rose will also happen. We are asking Bill Johnson to make the arrangements for this event. Bill and Lynda's son is a member of the Prairie Rose Band which we will hear that evening.

The Friday bus tour is also popular and we will carry through with this event. Diane will coordinate this event.

Mike Howerter will take several bass fishing to a special lake on Friday which is in his hands.

The golfing on Friday will be handled and set-up by Gary Marshall.

The tailgate party and the football game preparations are minimum, however, we will need a pickup truck and a grill. Of course food will have to be furnished, but the whole committee will take care of that. Remember that is Friday night. Other classes will also be in attendance at the homecoming game.

Mike Cyphers has been appointed to coordinate the buses for the two tours. It was also decided to request a deposit from you that will participate in the bus trips. The companies involved will request a deposit and this will also ensure us that the signees will show up for these tours. Costs will be posted at a later date.

Saturday morning will be an Augusta morning. Details will come.

We started discussion about our big Saturday evening event. Consensus seems to be having it in Wichita at a highly recommended facility. Diane is coordinating this along with Jill. There will be allotments for all or any classmate to talk about their life and what they are doing now. We are also looking for a MC or various MCs. Again, I will mention the auction which helps us maintain a reunion fund which is necessary. Bring something to auction!

We will have our next meeting either late November or early December. Our goal is to have this finalized by July of 2012. As I have mentioned prior, I want this to be a "pay as you go" event with the exception of the bus deposits. There is no need to collect money for all of these events, saving time and lots of bookkeeping. Our commitments are good enough.

Meanwhile, all of you can help to "Spread the Word" to those on the outside of our email chain. Call or write letters to those you keep in contact with and invite them. We really need to reach way out this time and get those that usually don't come. It's a milestone that will only happen once!

Tommy