GEORGIA PERIMETER COLLEGE
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

Jim Cherry Learning Resources Center, Room 4190
Clarkston Campus
February 6, 2002

MINUTES

Members Present: Derrick Shelton, Stefanie Palma, Jeff Tarnowski, Mary Ann Traina, Mike Palma, Akil Abdur Raheem, Deanna Bredwell, Terrance Rosario

Members Absent: Tony McIntyre, Karen Taylor, Don Larson

Guests: Julie Noble, Development Coordinator Annual Giving, Mr. Steve Wallace, Alumni Scholarship committee, Ms. Cynthia Bryant, Scholarship recipient, Mr. James A. Dodds, Outstanding Alumnus 2001, Ms. Jodeen Ducharme, Outstanding Faculty Award 2001.

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by President Stefanie Palma

Ms. Cynthia Bryant, Alumni scholarship recipient was recognized by the board for her outstanding academic and personal achievements. Ms Bryant thanked the board for the scholarship. Mr. Steve Wallace was recognized and thanked for his service on the Alumni Scholarship committee chaired by Deanna Bredwell.

Mr. James A. Dodds, Outstanding Alumnus 2001, was introduced to the board and gave some brief comments on how honored he was to have been recognized at commencement.

Ms. Jodeen Ducharme, Outstanding Faculty Award 2001, was introduced to the board and recognized for her outstanding achievements.

New Board member, Mr. Akil Abdur Raheem, class of 1998 was introduced by Jeff Tarnowski.

Old Business
Minutes from the October 3, 2001 meeting were approved.

Financial Report was presented by Jeff Tarnowski due to the absence of Vice President Tony McIntyre. The financial report was approved.

A reminder about the next board meetings on April 3, 2002 and June 5, 2002, was given.
Mary Ann Traina gave an update on the upcoming Nursing Alumni Day at Druid Hills Country Club. The event will be held on March 2, 2002. The Nursing Alumni Association is hoping for 50 in attendance.

New Business
Alumni Association Membership Drive, 2002
The mailing schedule for the alumni membership was presented.  
   February, 2002; past members, 1970’s alumni;  
   March 2002; STAR leaders, 1980-1985  
   April 2002; 1986-1989  
   May 2002; 1990, 1991  
   June 2002; 1992, 1993  
   July 2002; 1994, 1995  
   August 2002; 1996, 1997  
   September 2002; 1998, 1999  
   October 2002; 2000, 2001

It was discussed that Alumni Board members would pay their dues by the April 3 meeting.

2002 Schedule of events discussion
   March 2, 2002 – 3rd annual Nursing Alumni Day at Druid Hills C.C.  
   Saturday, September 21, 2002 – 3rd annual celebration of Southern Traditions  
      and Braves Baseball (vs. Florida Marlins) – 100 tickets  
   4th annual GPC night at Philips Arena – 1st Friday night home game, or opening night.  

The board discussed the DeKalb Symphony Orchestra trip to Europe beginning on November 30, 2002. A brochure will be mailed to approximately 1400 alumni.

A discussion was held relating to the concept of an “alumni college”. We agreed to table the conversation to the April meeting.

GPC’s Graduation is on Saturday, May 11.  
The 5th annual George Fellows Memorial Golf Tournament will be Friday, March 17th at Chateau Elan in Braselton.

Alumni Board members agreed to speak with each GPC student government next Fall.

It was announced that nomination letters were mailed on February 14th for the Outstanding Alumnus award and Outstanding Faculty member award. Karen Taylor is the chair of the committee. The deadline is March 12 for nominations.

Derrick Shelton recommended a board outing early summer or early fall. There were no announcements. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.