GEORGIA PERIMETER COLLEGE
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
Jim Cherry Learning Resources Center, Room 4190
Clarkston Campus
Wednesday, October 3, 2001

MINUTES

Members Present: Derrick Shelton, Stefanie Palma, Tony McIntyre, Jeff Tarnowski, Don Larson, Mary Ann Traina, Karen Taylor, Mike Palma

Members Absent: Deanna Bredwell, Terry Rosario

Guests: Julie Noble, Development Coordinator Annual Giving

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by President Stefanie Palma

New Board member, Mike Palma was introduced by President Stefanie Palma.

Old Business

Minutes from the June 6, 2001 meeting were approved. Don Larson made the motion, seconded by Mary Ann Traina.

Financial Report was presented by Vice President Tony McIntyre and approved.

A reminder about the next board meeting on December 5, 2001 at 6:00 p.m. was given. As always, this will be the holiday board meeting for families.

The new alumni association by-laws were included in the preparation materials. It was announced that they will be professionally printed after the completion of the Alumni Association Vision Plan.

It was announced that alumni scholarship applications are available. A decision will be voted on by the board at the December holiday meeting. Recommendation will be made by Deanna Bredwell, chair of the Alumni Scholarship committee.

New Business

Recommendations for prospective alumni board members were approved, pending a meeting with President Stefanie Palma. The two prospective members are Bobby Hamm and Akil Abdur Rahim.
Mary Ann Traina provided a Nursing Alumni Association Report. She discussed the upcoming event on October 6, which is a tour of the King Center in Atlanta, as well as the March 2, 2002 Nursing Alumni Day.

A discussion of the Vision 2001 document took place. Alumni Board members agreed that the new focus of the alumni association should be: Student Involvement via scholarships, Alumni Recognition and Alumni Services and Events.

An alumni Hall of Fame was discussed as an option for increasing alumni recognition. All board members were in favor of this concept. In addition, it was agreed by all that a large focus of the alumni services and events should be on increasing the educational programming done by the Alumni Association.

A discussion on the possibility of starting an “Alumni College” educational program occurred. It was agreed that there are many wonderful possibilities for this concept and that more discussion and planning was required.

Subcommittee chairs were presented and approved:
- Awards Committee: Karen Taylor
- Alumni Scholarship: Deanna Bredwell
- Program Committee: TBA
- Membership Committee: TBA

The board discussed the first draft of GPC’s defining characteristic piece.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.