Arcola Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting February 16, 2012

The Arcola Alumni Association Board of Directors met at the home of Dr. Robert Arrol at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 16th. Robert Arrol, John Fishel, Kris Graves, Brad Pullen, Randy Rothrock, Judy Thomas and Sue Stout attended the meeting. The minutes of the January 19th meeting were accepted as presented. Treasurer Pullen reported \$2,782.90 in the general fund. He also expressed his appreciation to Andy Walton for donating the annual fee to host the alumni website.

Graves reported our prospective board member would like to attend one of our meetings before making a decision to serve.

Arrol reported additional donations totaling \$3,020.00 brought the balance of our trophy case fund to \$11,456.95. Upon completion of the cases, Kenneth Hostetler will receive final payment of \$6,143.00, leaving \$5,313.95 in the trophy case fund. Members agreed to leave this balance in our trophy case fund with the Arcola Foundation until it is determined if more cases will be needed to display all current academic, musical and athletic trophies and plaques. Arrol and Rothrock have been named to serve on the school committee that will provide direction for organization, cleaning, repair and display of the trophies and plaques.

John Fishel presented his proposed letter to the Arcola Record-Herald that will thank all who made donations, encourage the community to view the new cases and also thank Chris Slack for his generous promotion of the trophy case project. He will also request Slack's permission to use our website to direct alumni to local news in the Record-Herald.

All members agreed no dues would be solicited for the 2012 year. Funds will be raised for projects as needed. Arrol will contact Walton and ask him to edit the website to indicate donations will be accepted in lieu of annual dues. Fishel proposed a running event to raise funds for the alumni association.

Rothrock, Thomas and Stout agreed to organize the Arcola Distinguished Alumni event for the year. The board recommended the banquet should be held in March/April or October/November rather than at the time of the September 14/15 Homecoming this year. They also recommended the banquet be held at Kaskaskia Country Club rather than the school.

Members agreed to table any decision about the use of an available tent for a possible fundraiser or social gathering on June 24th at the time Walldogs will be in Arcola to paint murals on downtown buildings. Fishel will contact a Walldog representative to determine if another group would like to use the tent.

Board members will next meet at the Arrol home at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 15th.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Stout, Recording Secretary