

**Kettering University Parents' Association Minutes**  
**Saturday, February 7, 2004**  
**1 p.m.**  
**Student Affairs Conference Room**

The meeting was called to order at 1:06 p.m.

Those in attendance were:

Tom Dammann	<a href="mailto:tjdammann@cmsenergy.com">tjdammann@cmsenergy.com</a>
Carol Dammann	
Mike and Veronica Heitmann	<a href="mailto:heitmann5@aol.com">heitmann5@aol.com</a>
Don Vantine	Kettering Information Technology Department
Ben O. Manlongat	<a href="mailto:bo.manlongat@sympatico.ca">bo.manlongat@sympatico.ca</a>
Rebecca Crimmins	<a href="mailto:rluna496@aol.com">rluna496@aol.com</a>
Wendy Cooper	<a href="mailto:windylcooper@aol.com">windylcooper@aol.com</a>
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Robyn Tsukayama	<a href="mailto:tsuk8421@hotmail.com">tsuk8421@hotmail.com</a>
Ron Nieman	<a href="mailto:Ronald.c.nieman@gm.com">Ronald.c.nieman@gm.com</a>
Diane Vyvyan	<a href="mailto:dvyvyan@kettering.edu">dvyvyan@kettering.edu</a>

The minutes of November 1, 2003, were unanimously approved.

Beginning Balance:		\$5334.88
Income:	Gold Cards                      95.00	
	T-shirts                                60.00	
	Family Day B <u>1,865.00</u>	
		<u>2020.00</u>
		7354.88
Expenses:	Family Day (brunch/food 1091.36, prizes 56.09, Refund 15, 87 tshirts, \$1 ?)	<u>1249.45</u>
	Balance as of 2/4/04	<b><u>\$6104.43</u></b>

The above Treasurer's report was unanimously approved.

**Old Business:**

Don Vantine, Director of Information Technology, discussed the server improvements in Thompson Hall and addressed some of the problems brought up at the November parent meeting. He mentioned they were looking into providing all students with McAfee virus protection and updates.

Discussion was held about how students found out about the Dell discount. It will be added to the Parent Handbook. It is already on the Kettering website under current students and faculty and staff.

**New Business:**

Gold Cards: It was decided to again offer Gold Cards to students. Some suggestions to add were Red Lobster, Campus Bookstore, an office supply store, a dollar store. The price will again be \$15 for the Membership Plus+ or \$10 for the card alone.

Parents' Association Scholarship recipient for 2003-04 was Chad Slick, a senior. Next year there should be an A and a B section student receiving this scholarship. Diane Bice of the Financial Aid office is checking to see why it is not listed on the scholarship web page and will get that updated as soon as possible.

#### Kettering Park Wish List:

The parents in attendance liked the idea of having a bench and pavers to make a sitting area in the park. They also liked the idea of selling the pavers as they do in Disney World and other places as a fundraiser. Tom Dammann will check with someone in the organization he belongs to about where they acquire the bricks and the cost. Robyn suggested that maybe a picnic table would be better so students could put their books on them to study.

Diane will find out from Dave Stewart what kind of picnic tables they are purchasing for the pavilion and see what he thinks about selling the pavers.

Parents' Association Secretary still needed. Anyone interested please see an officer.

Mike Szymanski, Vice President, was absent at the meeting because his mother passed away. It was unanimously agreed that \$50 would be donated to their chosen memorial. Diane will find out what that is and see that it is sent.

Wendy Cooper came from Miami to attend. She suggested that signage at Kettering could be improved. The sign on I-75 got her to the correct exit. From there there weren't any signs to help her. She suggested a sign at the Corunna Road exit as well as one near Sunset and the golf course. She also mentioned that once she was on Sunset/Third there was nothing to indicate she was at Kettering until she got to Third Avenue. A sign to the Recreation Center should indicate it's Kettering's Rec Center and that there is parking back there for Thompson Hall. After turning south on Chevrolet there are no signs pointing to the parking lot behind Thompson Hall or indicating where Thompson Hall is. Diane will pass these suggestions to Pat Engle in the Operations Department.

The next meeting of the Parents' Association is on Saturday, May 15 at Walli's Restaurant, 1341 Center Road (I-69 and Center Road). Lunch is at 11:30 a.m. and the meeting will be at 12:30 p.m. Lunch will be the responsibility of each one attending. Diane will make reservations for a private room, if possible. Reservations are helpful. Please email Diane ([dvyvyan@kettering.edu](mailto:dvyvyan@kettering.edu)) or call at 810 762-9665 or 800 955-4464 ext. 9665 by Friday, May 14.