



**Baldwin School Alumni Association  
General Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, August 26, 2009**

**Alumni Present:**

Mr. Evelio Pina '77  
Mr. José Fagót -Díaz '78  
Mrs. Lillybeth Rosario '84  
Mr. Elio Sánchez '92  
Ms. Gretchen Becerra '94  
Mr. Douglas Pennock '97  
Mrs. Claudia Drury '99  
Mr. Juan Vilaró '99  
Mr. Antonio Benítez '99  
Mr. Federico Hernández '99

Mr. Shawn Pennock '00  
Mr. Christian Díaz '00  
Mr. Mitchel Rivera '01  
Mrs. Annette Rodríguez '01  
Mr. Adrian Richner '02  
Mr. Michael Pierluisi '03  
Mr. Alejandro Rivera '03  
Ms. Eda Delucca '04  
Mr. José Sala '04  
Ms. Victoria '08 & Cecile Rivera '08

**Alumni Office Staff:** Trudy Pennock – Alumni Office Director  
Laura Montalvo – Communications & Development

Meeting Begins: 7:10pm

**I – Introduction**

After a brief period of “meet & greet” Trudy welcomes the group and provides a brief summary of the items stipulated in the agenda, including further details on the activities held by the association in the past 2008 – 2009 academic year. After reviewing the documents and questions pertaining to the financial report are answered, we proceed to a question and answer session where alumni give ideas as to where they'd like to see the association headed and other suggestions.

**II – Alum Individual Comments & Suggestions:**

- A. **Gretchen Becerra '94** – Suggested sending the class agent list by email for revisions since some class agents may not be interested in volunteering anymore and others may be suggested and appointed. Trudy explained what it involves to be a class agent and suggested that those interested let her know and make the changes in the official list.
- B. **Annette Rodríguez '01** – Brought forth the issue of implementing a tuition benefit for alumni wishing to enroll their children at Baldwin. This is a Board related issue that must be brought forth to them and therefore, José Fagót – Díaz '78 and member of the Board explained that a formal detailed letter must be addressed to the secretary of the board for the issue to be discussed.
  - On this point, Laurita stated that for the Board of Directors to consider this motion, Alumni participation and representation should increase within the school and events in order to compliment the written and submitted petition.
- C. **José Sala '04** – Suggested having a Baldwin alumni representative in each state or region in order to increase Baldwin awareness and help other alumni network amongst themselves and the professional community.

- D. *Elio Sánchez '92* – Recommended that in order to increase alumni presence within the school in the eyes of the Board we could begin by interacting with the seniors and other high school students throughout the entire year. Trudy mentioned Career Day which had alumni participation this past year and an activity that has not been done for quite sometime which involved a panel of alums to speak about college life to the senior class. Trudy said she would talk to Isa Borrás, college counselor, about implementing it again.
- E. *Christian Díaz '00* – Remembered the Alumni vs student tournament games that were held when he attended Baldwin and thought that it could be a good way to increase school spirit and compliment what Elio mentioned about alumni interaction with actual students.

### **III Communication**

At the meeting we forgot to mention the importance of registering for the Alumni online community if you haven't already done so. It was discussed that e-mail and facebook are the tools most efficient in getting information to all our alums. Through the online community we are able to easily reach you via e-mail. One of our goals for this year is to increase registration percentage throughout the year.

### **IV. Future Activities Discussion**

#### **A. 5K**

On October 3 & 4 Baldwin will host its second annual 5K race to benefit the Juan Ponce de Leon School in Guaynabo. Eda Delucca '04 who participated in the event last year encouraged all present to get involved and participate this year. She volunteered to be in charge of stirring excitement and recruiting alumni to participate and even design an alumni shirt for the event. Alumni representation at this event would not only be a fun activity to be involved in, but it would also demonstrate the alumni bodies commitment to helping others in need as well. Inscription fee for adults (\$20) and other information will be posted on the website soon.

#### **B. Rest & Relax**

This event, completely sponsored by the Alumni Association is an opportunity for the alums to get together and unwind from time to time. The first will be held on Wed. October 20 and we asked our alums to think of venue suggestions to host the social gathering. Mark your calendars.

#### **C. Alumni Holiday Party (Dec. 26, 2009)**

The possibility of changing the venue for this year's Alumni holiday party was discussed, but not fully cemented. Alums volunteered to get information and quotes on other venues. As soon as we receive feedback form the alums a decision will be made, and the information sent through facebook, alumni online community and the website.

**Meeting adjourned: 8:05pm**

## Alumni General Meeting Photos

