



# NOTRE DAME SEMINARY

Graduate School of Theology

Thursday, February 8, 2018

## 2017-2018 Alumni Meeting

Members present for General Assembly: 35

**- Call to Order: 10AM**

- Opening Prayer
- Election of secretary:
  - Fr. Colm Cahill elected.

**- Financial Report - Fr. Alexander Albert:**

- Question of seed money: To aim to maintain seed at \$4000
- Question of participation in paying member dues: Participation = 60%
- Question of raising dues: Tabled
- Andrew Rudmann (SA Present):
  - General update: Challenges of “finding zeal,” and “fostering community life.”
  - SA restructured (Executive, Devotional, Apostolic, Social)
  - Proposed Gift: Speaker system for Tennis Courts.
    - Proposed \$4000 gift: Approved

PROFIT AND LOSS  
July 1, 2016 - February 8, 2018

	TOTAL
Income	
Private Gifts & Grants	
422000 Donations	18,275.58
<b>Total Private Gifts &amp; Grants</b>	<b>18,275.58</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$18,275.58</b>
GROSS PROFIT	<b>\$18,275.58</b>
Expenses	
Administrative	
605060 Bank Charges	80.72
646060 Public Relations & Recruitment	109.75
<b>Total Administrative</b>	<b>190.47</b>
Alumni Association	
Meetings & Events	3,900.91
Other	4,500.00
<b>Total Alumni Association</b>	<b>8,400.91</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$8,591.38</b>
NET OPERATING INCOME	<b>\$9,684.20</b>
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**- Special Event Updates - Fr. Jim Wehner (Rector/President):**

- Chancellors Dinner: Honorees are Archbishop Alfred Hughes (Archbishop Emeritus of New Orleans), and John Georges (Owner of the Advocate).
- \$250,000 endowment for Catholic Orthodox relations, beginning with speaker series.

**- Alumni Association Updates - Fr. Matthew Graham (President):**

- Diocesan Reps/Class Reps
  - Idea was supported. No definitive plan for execution.
- Question of moving assembly away from Mardi Gras
  - Consideration to move to the beginning or ordinary time
  - Fr. Jim noted 2013 survey that delivered 50/50 split on this issue.
  - Suggestion to set a recurring date that does not move.
  - Question tabled.
- Fr. Jim raised possibility of Diocesan Alumni gatherings.
  - Proposal supported. No definitive plan for execution.

**- Rector/President Report (Fr. Jim Wehner):**

- 60% enrollment increase since 2013.
- 22 Dioceses/Religious Communities.
- NDS capacity = 150 Seminarians.
- Benson House renovation will house 24 additional seminarians bring capacity to 174.
- 1% increase in tuition, keeping NDS in the mid-range at \$35,000 tuition.
- 3% increase for faculty salaries.
- New degrees available: Info at [www.nds.edu](http://www.nds.edu)

**Proposed Diocesan Reps:**

Shreveport: Fr. Mark Franklin

Baton Rouge: Fr. Ryan Halford

New Orleans: Fr. David Ducote

Lafayette: Fr. Hampton Davis

**Meeting Adjourned: 10:47AM**