PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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Board of Governors Meeting May 9, 2012

Board of Governors

Retreat

Thank you to Jennifer King and the Retreat committee for organizing a full and productive retreat, and to all the board members whose participation made it a success.

During the retreat we agreed on the following priorities: 2012 Action Items

- 1. Fundraising Committee (Jennifer King, Rita Stuckey, Cynthia Guevara, Julia Almanzan)
 - a. Create a big and a small fundraising event
 - b. Maintain website to sell merchandise
 - c. Sell items at reunion and commencement

The Board will formally establish a fundraising committee at the May board meeting.

Diana Odermatt has also agreed to join the committee. Merchandise tables will be setup at this Commencement.

2. Prepare Annual Meeting Agenda

President DeCoudreaux has pledged to end Commencement Luncheon on time to ensure an on time start of the AAMC Annual Meeting.

3. 100% of Board gives to the AAMC Endowment Fund

The Board has reached its goal of 100% participation!

- 4. Approve 2012 revised goals and objectives
 - a. Rina will email current goals documents to BOG
 - b. Groups will modify their goals based on what was discussed at retreat
 - c. Groups will email modified goals documents back to Rina by Saturday, April 7,2012
 - d. We will review all modified goals at our next BOG meeting in May

In process.

AAMC Events

I enjoyed attending the Educational Outreach committee's Oscar Talk in February and the Alumnae of Color committee's Celebration events this past weekend. I also participated in a calling party to solicit donations for the Alumnae of Color Scholarship in Honor of President DeCoudreaux and encourage attendance at the Alumnae of Color committee's Celebration events.

Alumnae Relations

I along with many board members attended the March $3^{\rm rd}$ and April $1^{\rm st}$ alumnae "welcome events" for President DeCoudreaux. Thank you to all the board members who attended these events and to all those who made phone calls to alumnae to encourage attendance.

College Relations/Mills Community

In early March, Caitlin McGarty and I represented the AAMC and the Office of Alumnae Relations in Transitions, an event to help graduating seniors prepare for graduation activities and post graduation life. Caitlin and I provided them with information on how to be active alumnae.

Also in March, I interviewed candidates for the alumnae relations coordinator position which culminated in the hiring of Katja Geldhof '03.

In early April, I was invited to present the Alumnae Athletics Achievement Award at the annual Athletics Banquet. 2011 MBA graduate Carrie Maultsby was recognized for her competitive and professional ice skating career and her career promoting artists both locally and around the world.

Thank you to Beverly Curwen for her donations to the Senior Class auction. Bev donated a vintage print of Mills Hall and a bowl and plate from the collection of Mills alumna Jade Snow Wong. The Jade Snow Wong items were one of the hottest auction items and helped the Senior Class nearly double their \$1,000 auction goal. The AAMC donated a framed 1990 Strike poster, which also created a bidding frenzy. Bev and I were also lucky auction winners.

Last week I had the pleasure of having lunch with one of our Alumnae Association Scholarship recipients. She is incredibly grateful for the scholarship that has allowed her to pursue her Mills degree and to be a role model for her younger siblings. She is a senior majoring in child development and has interned and been employed at Mills Children's School for 4 years. She is interviewing at 3 bay area preschool and elementary schools where she will utilize her Mills education and experience. She is one of 7 Alumnae Association and AAMC Donna Hunt scholarship recipients.

I continue to attend Reunion Planning committee meetings.