

**RAAFUM Board Meeting Minutes**  
**March 14, 2005**

**Call to Order:** Dick Westerlund called the meeting to order.

**Members Present:** Chad Kono, Joe Gibilisco, Dick Hedger, Scott Rosenow, Dick Westerlund, Jim Clausen, Arnie Bigbee, Jim Gilkinson, Marie Maher

**Guest:** Bob Burgett from the University Foundation

**President's Visit:** Dick W. and Marie reported on the very successful visit of President Bruininks on Feb. 25. 92 persons attended the Presidential reception including legislators, RAAFUM members, UMR staff and community guests. Jim C. followed up with an update on the GRAUC initiative.

**UMR Update:** Provost Carl unable to attend, but worth mentioning: Scholarship amounts awarded at UMR: FY02-\$1500; FY03-\$6700; FY04-\$8250; and FY05-\$14,350.

**UMAA Report:** Chad updated us on the upcoming fan rallies for women's basketball, women's hockey, men's basketball and men's hockey.

**Point Status:** Dick Hedger reported that we are about 300 points behind. Chad distributed Performance Tracking Sheets.

**Membership Report:** Invitation to join RAAFUM will be included on alumni scholarship mailing.

**Legislative Briefing:** Arnie reminded us to write, call, and e-mail our legislators. He has gotten several personal responses.

**Matched Fund Scholarships:** Bob Burgett detailed the President's matched funds scholarship drive. UMR has one matched fund scholarship with 3 more in process. Bob explained how we could turn our RAAFUM UMR scholarship into a matched fund, endowed scholarship.

Marie will take the lead in preparing a letter and return card to go out to Rochester area alumni for our April Board meeting. Stationary with RAAFUM Board members listed down the side will be developed for this project.

**Old Business:** Dick W. reported that things are in place to bring Wayne Sigler from admissions down for the **RAAFUM Annual Meeting** April 20<sup>th</sup>. During the day he will visit with area high school counselors and have dinner with education leaders.

For the **UMAA Annual Meeting** May 10<sup>th</sup>, UMR and RAAFUM will sponsor two tables. Cost is \$45.00/ticket, \$450/table up until April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:** Scott and Diane are checking into 4 possible programs for the Spring Program (date to be determined.)

**Upcoming Events:**

- Annual RAAFUM Meeting – April 20
- Annual Graduation Celebration – May 9
- Annual UMAA Meeting – May 10
- Third Annual Celebrity Birthday Bash (Jane Belau) – June 27
- Maroon and Gold Day/ Marching Band – November 15

**Next Meeting Monday, April 11,2005.**

Respectfully Submitted, Marie J. Maher