Call to Order/Welcome – Marita “Mic” Pietrykowski ’70. Meeting called to order at 2:00 p.m.

Prayer – Sr. Georgeann Krzyzanowski ‘70

Approval of Minutes – Moved and approved posted minutes from March 21, 2015 Board Meeting.

University Update: President Eileen Schwalbach, Ph.D. thanked the Alumnae Association for their support and involvement for all that they do. She reported on the 2015-16 academic years’ enrollment, the development of BSN program to be completed Fall 2016. Accreditation was postponed extending start up. She reported on the campus updates, new phone system, new elevators in Caroline and Bergstrom Hall, new Welcome Center, classrooms have new furniture, carpeting, lighting computers, etc.

The Development Office raised $5 Million and established the Hope Fund, and Stewardship Fund. She reported on a Partnership with DC grant writers, as there are Science and Math funds for women available. She mentioned the “50 Years of Fashion” celebration and new initiatives of strategic planning for the next three years. ‘Soles for Catholic Education’ walk is next Saturday. Mt. Mary hosted the Pallium Lecture on Oct 21 for Archbishop Listecki.

Mt. Mary currently has two doctoral programs, Art Therapy and Occupational Therapy and a Ph.D. in Counseling Education will be coming in the next few years. The Alumnae Association congratulated Dr. Schwalbach on her 8 years as President of MMU.

2015 Starving Artist Update: Changes this year included a trial for online ticketing prior to the show. 154 tickets were sold presale. More press coverage, however our gate sales were 20% down, and refreshments were down 50%. There are new opportunities for involvement as staffing chairpersons’ positions are open. “Call For Artist’s” cards are available. Next year’s date is September 11, 2016.

Treasurer’s Report: (See attached) It was Moved and Approved.

Association Fiscal Year: Align Association Fiscal Year with the University’s Fiscal Year (July 1 – June 30) and the officer’s positions to match. It was moved and approved to coincide with the fiscal year moving from January to June.

Presentation of W.I.N.G.S.: Leslye Schlack reported on “Women Igniting a New Generation of Students” a new program incorporating all the ideas we have come up with in the past “Wouldn’t it be Great If…”. With the program, Alumnae Relations ties into Admissions,
Student Government, Athletics, and other specialty groups. With this addition, the Alumnae Association will have a full circle approach to involvement. WINGS will include work with Student Retention, MMU traditions, Campus Pride, Community Service, Job Shadowing & Internship, Student Service on Alumnae Association communities. It will include networking with on campus students and should have a further experience with Alums partnering with Alums. Drea stated that this WINGS program is original, but some aspects are copied from other alum programs. It is a quick and impactful way for alums to get involved.

New Business: Liz Macken reported on the progress of a Directory of Alums for alums. Additionally, Drea stated that all alumnae are invited to the re-established annual Christmas Luncheon on December 1, 2015 at the Milwaukee Yacht Club. Invitations will be forthcoming.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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