## University of St. Francis Business Alumni Networking Meeting

Remote Meeting via Zoom
January 8, 2022 Meeting Minutes

**Welcome – Opening Prayer:** Tom Jeffries called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone and led the opening prayer.

**In attendance:** Jessica Conte, Katie Rodriguez, Joseph Ferrallo, Tim Wills, Emily Schrader, Jason Campbell, Tom Jeffries, Stephanie Whyte, Karen Ciarlette.

## **Alumni Report and Upcoming Events:**

- Jessica gave the Alumni Department update including:
  - SAM the Student Alumni Mentoring program is still going strong. The Alumni Office was doing check-in calls with the participating alumni and students.
- Jessica mentioned the status of current events and list of the upcoming events. See the alumni events page for all details and to register.

College of Business and Health Administration Update: Joseph Ferrallo reported of the relationship with Burneau (Czech Republic). Partnered with Vietnam in Hanoi and started Bachelor's of Business Administration with 101 students currently enrolled taught in collaboration with Vietnamese and USF faculty. The upcoming Spring Symposium speaker is from Walmart. In February there was a mural painted by Roger Carlson, USF alumni, in business wing in Tower Hall with dedication ceremony planned for February.

**Minutes:** Motion to approve the minutes of the September 2021 BAN meeting by, Joseph Ferrallo seconded by Katie Rodriguez. Motion carried.

## **BAN Structure & Meetings**

- It was suggested that we schedule two (2) BAN meetings per year (one per semester) completely remote and be sure the meeting dates are promoted. We can always add more as and if needed and discussed how BANis promoted on campus. The group discussed the other Alumni Networks and how we could all worktogether.
- The Alumni Office will now come to BAN with activities in place.
- Should consider further promotion of USF alumni owned businesses and options to assist with teaching how to start and run a business.

## eNewsletter:

Discussed various topics for the Spring newsletter including recaps for any events and service projects as well as the possible combination of the Alumni Networks efforts. Thank you to Emily for offering to stay on to continue to produce the newsletter.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 am on a motion by Joseph Ferrallo, seconded by Katie Rodriguez. Motion carried.