Esquimalt High School Alumni Association

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Dear Alumni Member,

We are writing to invite you to attend the EHS Alumni Association Annual General Meeting followed by the AGM of the EHS Advancement of Education Funding Society on **November 21 at 7:00 pm** in the school theatre. Membership in the Alumni Association is not a requirement to attend these meetings so feel free to bring your spouse or school friends to enjoy the informative and fun evening. The executives of your Alumni Association and the Funding Society have continued to work hard this past year on your behalf carrying out the following activities:

- -Received donations from 33 members totaling over \$2500 for the New Bus Fund and Scholarship Fund
- -Again provided two \$1000 scholarships to deserving students.
- -Raised almost \$6580 at RibFest this past September split evenly with the School Leadership Class, the Rainbow Kitchen and the Alumni Association. The Alumni funds were used to go towards the purchase of our new bus and the funds that the Leadership Class raised was for the Cops for Cancer.
- -Again we took part in Buccaneer Days, Remembrance Day Service in Memorial Park and helped with the organization of the 4th Annual RibFest in September.
- -We assisted the organizing groups for the Classes of 1951, 1956, 1966, 1971 and 2006 with their reunions.
- -Received another donation of at least \$25,000 from RibFest through the Esquimalt Fire Fighters' Charitable Foundation towards the fund for a new turf field at the school.

Details of these activities will be shared at the meeting on **November 21.** The exciting news that will be passed on is that we have finished paying for the new school bus and its exterior decaling. This totaled just over \$87,000 and was raised in less than two years through the support of several generous donors, the Esquimalt Fire Fighters' Charitable Foundation, the school PAC, the students and staff of the school and the efforts of the Alumni Association. As well the plans for this coming year will be outlined. These include:

- Building the Scholarship Fund to \$30,000 and start to award three \$1000 scholarships annually (see attached **donation form**).
- Develop the plan for a new turf field and continue to raise funds for this project.
- -Start work on compliance with the new Society Act.

Please consider joining one of the executives to assist in promoting our organizations. The agendas for the two AGM's are attached to this letter. Please bring the agendas to the meeting. If you have any questions about the Alumni Association, the "Funding Society" or the AGMs please contact one of the following directors:

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Please note how to contact us by e-mail and new address of the Alumni website. Both are at the top of this newsletter. We hope that next year we will be using e-mail to distribute the information for the AGM as well we want continue to use e-mail for communication with our members. To this end we need to have your correct e-mail address. If you have changed your e-mail or not given it to us please e-mail your correct e-mail to ehsalumni1959@gmail.com. Also please place the Alumni e-mail address into your address book so you can receive information from us.

We look forward to seeing you on **November 21** at the AGM's of our two societies.

Yours truly,

Brenda O'Connor President, EHS Alumni Association Tammy Renyard EHS Principal