



30 May 2019

RESULTS OF FDMSAA ELIGIBILITY/ALUMNUS VOTE – 29 MAY 2019

Brothers:

Last night marked a historic moment in our school and organization's existence! We let our voice be heard as to what we consider an alumnus to be. Let's take some time to truly reflect on this. This year marks the 70th graduating year from Father Duenas Memorial School (FDMS). The first graduating class from FDMS was in 1950. 32 classes showed up timely to vote (2 classes were late and did not cast a vote). The reality that classes older than 1970 were going to show up was minimal. So, if we take out those classes from 1950-1969, that is 20 graduating years which had a low chance of showing. Out of the remaining 50 years (1970-2019), 34 classes showed up, a 68% attendance rate! Not bad for a small school, and organization.

Attached, you will find the official sign in sheet, representing the people that cast votes on behalf of their respective class. Although we had many more attendees, the only requirement was for the individual casting the vote to sign in. Additionally, you will find the "tally" for the votes that were collected. The results are as follows:

For the classes of **2006 and older**, the minimum eligibility requirement has been reduced to 1 full year of attendance. There were 17 votes in favor of the 1-year minimum, 12 votes in favor of the maintaining the 2-year minimum, 1 vote in favor of the 3-year minimum, and 2 classes that abstained from voting.

For the class of **2019 and on**, the FDMSAA now recognizes only a diploma holder as an alumnus. There were 19 votes in favor of diploma only, 9 votes in favor of maintaining the 2-year minimum and 4 classes that abstained from voting.

In summary, our eligibility criteria to be considered for FDMSAA sanctioned events are:

2006 and older: 1 full year (2 semesters) minimum attendance, diploma, or honorary status

2007-2018: 2 full years (4 semesters) minimum attendance, diploma or honorary status

2019 and forward: diploma only or honorary status

Again, the FDMSAA has no say in someone being granted an "honorary status" by the school. Granting such status is FD Admin function. However, the FDMSAA will honor those individuals that have already been granted honorary status until such time the FD Admin, in writing, revokes the privilege.

That being said, the next step is to amend our FDMSAA By-Laws with the newly voted and agreed upon eligibility / alumnus criteria. A meeting will be held to accomplish this on **Monday June 17, 2019 at 6:00pm at the FD Phoenix Center**. Because this meeting will be fairly short, it will be held in conjunction with the mandatory summer basketball tournament meeting. Let this letter serve as official notice of

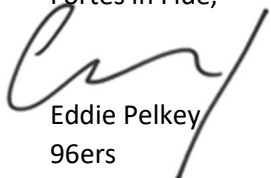
the meeting announcement to amend our By-Laws on June 17th. Once this process is complete, the FDMSAA will start working on forming the review board for those that do not meet the criteria, if needed.

Lastly, upon completion of the meeting agreeing to amend the By-Laws, this criteria will be in effect for the 2019 alumni basketball tournament and all future FDMSAA sanctioned events.

Thank you to all who took part in such a sensitive, yet much needed process. My hope is that we accept what the majority has spoken to and encourage the FD Admin to accept our definition as it applies to an alumnus. If not, then at least our eligibility criteria is clear for all future generations of Duenas men, and our events.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you or concerns you have.

Fortes in Fide,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eddie Pelkey', written over the printed name.

Eddie Pelkey

96ers

FDMSAA President

671.888.0370

eddiepelkey@gmail.com