

METRO DETROIT SEMINOLE CLUB

Florida State University Alumni Association

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Detroit Noles,

On behalf of the Metro Detroit Seminole Club Board, thank you for continuously supporting Florida State University. Our role as a club is to be the "boots on the ground" that are helping and supporting the success of the university. Here are a few ways that your involvement directly supports FSU:



- 1) Scholarship:** In 2018-2019, your donations directly benefited a freshman FSU student from Michigan. Additionally, the Seminole Send-off event introduced the scholarship applicants to each other, which helped fellow students create contacts and form relationships ahead of their freshman year.
- 2) Stewardship:** Consistently, our Seminole Service Day yields our best attendance. It is evident that our alumni care about giving back to the Metro Detroit area. Your dedication to service represents FSU alumni very well across the community.
- 3) Relationship:** By attending our events, you are actively building friendships between alumni in the community. By building a network of alumni in the area, we have created a "home away from home" environment for many of our alumni who relocated for work. This strengthens everyone's ties back to their alma mater.

For returning alumni, we look forward to creating new memories in the year ahead. For Metro Detroit alumni who have not attended an event, we encourage you to attend one this year! You will meet a great group of fellow Noles! The FSU Alma Mater is a great reflection on the work that we do: "High over towering pines our voices swell, Praising those Gothic spires, we love so well. Here sons and daughters stand, faithful and true, Hailing our alma mater, F.S.U."

Go Noles,

Jason Battaglia, President

Metro Detroit Seminole Club

YEAR IN REVIEW

Willie Taggart arrived at FSU under a lot of pressure, but also a lot of optimism. Unfortunately, that didn't last very long. While our football team's performance on the field last year left much to be desired, the good times marched on in Detroit. The Metro Detroit Seminole Club had its first full year as an official FSU Alumni Club, which allowed us to host bigger and better events, along with 8 total watch parties downtown. There's nothing better than enjoying each other's company and cracking jokes about our rivals as we reminisce on the school that got us all here.

We started off 2019 with a laid back bowling outing. Then, since we are now a basketball school, we made a trip to Little Caesars Arena to watch a former Noles basketball player take on the Detroit Pistons, after a great afternoon tailgate hosted by two of our fellow members. We also had an excellent Seminole Service day at Gleaners, where we worked hard to help the community with plenty of laughs and smiles along the way. The Seminole Sendoff event had a terrific turnout, where we went fowling with future Noles and their families, and gave them tips for their journey to Tallahassee. Through our T-Shirt sales, we were able to fund a \$500 scholarship to Katie Burley, an aspiring FSU nursing student heading to her freshman year. To round out a great year, we cooled off on another relaxing kayaking trip down the Huron River.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

On behalf of all of us here with the Metro Detroit Seminole Club, we are thrilled to welcome you to (or back to) the Great Lakes State! Our growing tribe up here in the Motor City is pleased to welcome Seminoles, new and old, to our family.

When our original board members came together to revitalize the previous Detroit Alumni chapter, the main goal was to provide an opportunity for Seminoles to reconnect with their community and share in the Seminole Spirit that remains in us all. Tallahassee became a home away from home for so many of us that we look forward to rebuilding the atmosphere in and around the Detroit area. Throughout the year, the Detroit Noles participate in events to stay connected to each other and the university through game watching parties, Seminole Service Days, Seminole Send-Off, kayaking, and more! We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you into our Tribe. Please reach out to us through the following platforms and keep an eye out for both official and non-official events. Welcome to the Mitten!

Email: metrodetroitseminoleclub@gmail.com

Website: <http://detroitnoles.fsu.alumnispaces.com/>

Facebook Page: <http://www.facebook.com/DetroitNoles>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/detroitnoles/>



METRO DETROIT SEMINOLE BOARD



Jason Battaglia, President

Degree: B.S. Finance (2014)

Most memorable moment at FSU: The Noles won the 2014 BCS National Championship during my Senior year! I traveled to Pasadena for the game with some friends and had an amazing experience.

Megan Fitzgerald, Vice President

Degree: B.S. Social Science Education (2012)

Most memorable moment at FSU: My time volunteering and working through FSU with area schools helped transform me into the person I am today.



Yuri Lopes, Treasurer

Degree: B.S. Mechanical Engineering (2016)

Most memorable moment at FSU: My favorite moment at FSU was in 2013, watching the Clemson game in College Town which had just opened. We beat the #3 ranked Clemson Tigers and we got free beer!

Michelle Jasinski, Outreach Director

Degree: B.S.N. (2012)

Most memorable moment at FSU: Every Tuesday after nursing clinical when we would get a free Chick-Fil-A sandwich because we were wearing scrubs.



Megan Downey, Secretary

Degree: Master of Science in Higher Education ('16)

Most memorable moment at FSU: Study abroad research practicum comparing U.S. and U.K. higher education models with the intersection of diversity, equity, and inclusion.

UPCOMING FALL SCHEDULE

METRO DETROIT SEMINOLE CLUB 2019 WATCH PARTY SCHEDULE

The Motor City Noles are "comin' to your city"! Join us as we host watch parties throughout Southeast Michigan! Come support your Noles during the 2019 football season!

9/21	9/28	10/12	11/2	11/9
ROYAL OAK FSU vs Louisville	FARMINGTON FSU vs NC State	NOVI FSU vs Clemson	DETROIT FSU vs Miami	ANN ARBOR FSU vs BC
 Fifth Avenue 215 West Fifth Street Royal Oak, MI 48067	 BBQ Hosted by Jake and Michelle Jasinski RSVP for details.	 Library Sports Pub 42705 Grand River Ave Novi, MI 48375	 Sports & Social Detroit 28 Henry Street Detroit, MI 48201	 Jim Brady's Ann Arbor 2209 S. Main Street Ann Arbor, MI 48104
				

GEAR

The Metro Detroit Seminole Club will be selling quarter-zip sweatshirts as we kick off the football season. The sweatshirts are "Sportstek Sport-Wick Fleece 1/4-Zip Pullover" and are selling for \$68.28. All proceeds from your purchase will go toward our scholarship fund. The scholarship provides financial assistance to a Michigan resident attending Florida State.

To order, please submit payment to PayPal for \$68.28. Comment within PayPal what your size is (sweatshirts are unisex sized). Our PayPal link is: www.paypal.me/detroitnoles

