



Lake Washington High School PTSA 2.8.95

General Membership Meeting

Date: 3/17/2021

Recorded by: Cheryl Geels

Presiding President: Denise Campbell

Quorum Present: Yes

Meeting Called: 7:01 pm

Meeting Adjourned: 7:31 pm

Attendees

Recorded via the participant log on Zoom.

Notes

- 1. Call to Order – 7:01 pm. The meeting was held via Zoom due to COVID 19.**
- 2. Secretary**
 - a. Secretary Cheryl Geels shared the minutes from the January 27, 2021 General Membership meeting. The minutes were approved with edits and entered into record.
 - b. There was no correspondence to report.
- 3. Treasurer Report**
 - a. Treasurer Julie Tribolet shared the January/February 2021 treasurer report, and it was moved into record.
- 4. New Business**
 - a. **Budget Reallocation**

- i. ***EVP Denise Ferguson made a motion that we move \$2500 from the “Students in Need/Invest Ed” line item to the “Grants - ASB & Enrichment” line item. The motion was seconded by VP Meredith O’Connor-Schwietzer. The motion passed with unanimous approval from the membership.***
 - ii. ***Chair Brandi Comstock made a motion to approve the budget, as revised. The motion was seconded by EVP Denise Ferguson seconded. The motion passed with unanimous approval from the membership.*** The revised budget includes the changes approved above and a small reallocation made by the board per our standing rules to cover the addition of media liability insurance.
- b. **Mid-Year Financial Review:** VP Meredith O’Connor-Schwietzer presented the findings of the mid-year financial review. There were no errors found in accounting or recommendations for changes. ***The review was accepted as presented unanimously by the membership.***

5. Old Business

- a. **Nominating Committee:** ***The slate for the nominating committee of Mindy Lincicome, Alana Smith, and Beatrice Joe was reapproved unanimously by the membership.***
 - i. Mindy Lincicome announced that nominations are open to any member of the PTSA: if anyone is interested in serving or if you want to suggest someone who would be a good candidate, please contact the committee at nomcom@lwhsptsa.org.

6. President’s Report

- a. **Progress to Date:** President Denise Campbell gave a review of LWPTSA activity to date. For more information, see the LWHS PTSA website. Denise C. requested feedback from the school community on our programs thus far (president@lwhsptsa.org).
- b. **Membership Survey:** EVP Denise Ferguson will be leading a committee to produce a survey for the school community about our reflections on this year and our priorities for the coming year.

7. Committee Reports

- a. We have a few open chair positions for this year Student Recognition/Awards, School Beautification/Service Projects. Please contact Denise Campbell at president@lwhsptsa.org if you are interested in taking on either of these roles.

- b. **Sustainability Committee:** Sustainability Chair Pam Hay gave an update. The committee is launching a contest for students to create a slogan and graphic for Earth Day. All students are invited to submit a slogan to highlight the “green” goal for the year: Reducing Waste. Entries are due Friday April 2 and should be sent to sustainability@lwhspts.org.
- c. **Awards Committee:** Committee Member Pam Hay gave an update. Nominations for Golden Acorn, Outstanding Educator, Outstanding Advocate, and Outstanding Student Advocate are now being accepted and are due by May 5. Nominations should be sent to awards@lwhspts.org. Winners will be announced at the next general membership meeting.
- d. **Reflections:** We had two winners at the state level: Amelie Barga, who won Outstanding Interpretation, and Carlos Datol, who won an Award of Merit.
 - i. **Senior Planning Committee:** The Senior Planning committee is working hard to provide graduation events for our seniors this year. For more information, see the senior page at lwhspts.org and the school website at lwhs.lwsd.org.
 - ii. We are taking reservations for a Grad Night Party, scheduled for June 14. Reservations close on April 7 and can be made on the senior page at lwhspts.org.
 - iii. The district is working towards planning a graduation event for our seniors. More information will be forthcoming.

8. Announcements

a. Parent Education Opportunities

- i. “March Lunch and Learn: Community Support Services Roundtable” on 3/18/21 at 12PM. See <http://www.lwpts.net/lunch-learn/> for more details and to sign up.
- ii. “Suicide Awareness with UW’s Forefront” on 3/25/21 at 7PM. See <http://www.lwpts.net/2021/suicide-awareness-and-prevention-talk> for more details and to sign up.
- iii. “Effective Communication for High Schoolers Workshop” on 3/24/21 at 6PM. See <http://www.lwpts.net/2021/effective-communication-workshop/> for more details and to sign up.
- iv. Lake Washington PTSA Council has launched a self-care series for 2021, to be held the third Friday of every month at 5:00 PM. See lwpts.net/2021/self-care-series for more details and to sign up.
 - 1. March 19: Why the Great Outdoors is Our Happy Place
 - 2. April 16: Gratitude as the Ultimate Mood Enhancer
 - 3. May 21: Mindfulness and Meditation

- b. **Scholarships:** Applications for the LWPTSA Council 2021 Scholarship Program are now being accepted and are due by 12PM on 3/25/21. For more information and to apply, see lwptsa.net/scholarships.
- c. **Lake Washington Schools Foundation**
 - i. The LWSF is seeking Virtual Table Captains at every school for “Be the Bridge: An Evening Benefit” on April 29th. For more information, see www.lwsf.org/bethebridge.html or email maya@lwsf.org.
 - ii. Balance in Mind’s winter session registration is now available. Talks are held on Wednesdays at 7PM. For details and to register, see www.lwsf.org/youthmentalwellness.html
 - iii. Balance in Mind’s Instagram, @balance.in.mind, is a destination for teens to gain inspiration, learn self-care tips, and more.
 - iv. “Find your Fit: Understanding What College Costs and How to Pay Less” will be held on March 30 from 7-8PM, with independent college counselor Mary Pat O’Neil and college financial planning consultant Peg Keough. For mor information and to register, see <https://www.lwsf.org/findyourfit.html>.
- d. Senior Sign Pick-Up will be on March 19th at 3PM, during the ASB Donut Drive-In.
- e. The next meeting of the Screenagers Chapter Club will be on Friday, March 26, from 5-6PM. They will be discussing “Chapter 10: Cultivating Creativity, Insight & Focus.” For more information, see <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4aaba82da6fac70-lwhs>.
- f. The next “Coffee with Christina” event will be on Wednesday, April 21 from 9-10am, held on Microsoft Teams. Look for log-in information in the Kang Crier and the PTSA website.
- g. Our next membership meeting will be Wednesday, May 19 at 7pm, held on Zoom. Look for log-in information in the Kang Crier and the PTSA website.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 pm.

Guest speakers Dean of Students Joe Joss and School Resource Officer Robert King hosted a Q&A with the membership after the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Geels, Secretary

Thank you for joining us this evening!

For Additional Information, visit our website at www.lwhsptsa.org