LAS VEGAS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - 06/05/16

A meeting of the Las Vegas High School Alumni Association ("LVHSAA") Board of Directors was held at Patty Haack's home. Directors Matt Shlisky and David Williams were unable to attend. The following board members, representing a quorum, were present.

Lisa Ball Golden Allen Kaercher
Laura Beverlin Chadburn Bruce Langson
Rollie Gibbs Laura Ungaro
Patty Haack

Historian Joe Thomson was also in attendance. We were very pleased to also have Ani Sweitzer, a faculty member from LVHS was also in attendance.

President Rollie Gibbs opened the meeting and welcomed our new board member, Allen Kaercher. He then asked Patty Haack, Secretary/Treasurer, to conduct the remainder of the meeting.

Minutes of Prior Meeting

The minutes of the April 10, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved by attending board members.

Financial Report

The LVHSAA Income and Expense Statements and Balance Sheet as of 06/05/16 were reviewed and unanimously approved by the board.

2016 Budget

The 2016 Budget was reviewed and unanimously approved by the board.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Fund Raising

Allen had a lot of suggestions for fund raising. He volunteered to work with Laura Ungaro on fund raising and will meet with her before our next meeting, at which time Laura and Allen will present their ideas to the board. Patty reported that we received a total of \$206 in alumni donations to the Scholarship Fund since April.

Membership

Since our last meeting we gained 3 new paid members and 6 free members (2016 graduates), had 9 expired memberships renewed (4 as lifetime) and 13 non-expired memberships renewed. We currently have 323 paid annual members and 152 lifetime members, for a total of 475 paid members. We have a total of 512 members in good standing which includes 37 honorary and free memberships. Two members passed away since our last meeting.

Laura Chadburn is planning to send an email to all known class contacts to encourage membership. We'll also have the Membership Challenge and trophy again this year at the Wildcat Reunion.

Scholarships

Patty reported that UNLV and CCSN acceptance letters have been received from all of our 2016 scholarship recipients and their funds have been sent to the respective schools. Three of the scholarship recipients attended our annual meeting on May 17 and thanked the LVHSAA in person. We received written thank you cards or notes from all five recipients. It was decided that the 2017 Scholarship Committee should meet before we receive the 2017 applications to review and revise the selection criteria if needed.

A discussion was held on the citizenship issue that was raised at a previous meeting. Patty verified with the CCSD that, due to discrimination and privacy laws, schools are not allowed to ask if students are citizens and that this cannot be a consideration when awarding scholarships.

Wildcat Reunion

The next 2016 committee meeting will be on August 4. The flyer will be mailed out by the end of June (a little earlier than originally planned due to the printer and mail house being extremely busy with election materials). The photographer we have used for the last few years will no longer be available. A new photographer has been contracted. The price will be the same.

LVHS LIAISONS

Matt Shlisky and Bruce Langson are the LVHSAA Liaisons with LVHS. Their main contacts are the Dean of Students, Student Council Advisor and Senior Counselors.

Desert Breeze and Parent/Student Newsletter Articles

Update not given.

Grants

Ani and Lisa both mentioned several things the school needs help with, such as re-painting, auto shop supplies, etc. We made them aware of our grants program and that forms are available on our website. Ani will try to determine costs and get back to us at the next meeting.

LAS VEGAS ACADEMY LIAISONS

Joe Thomson is the LVHSAA Liaison with the Las Vegas Academy.

Memorabilia Display at Las Vegas Academy

Joe and Carole Inghram Montalto borrowed some memorabilia from the school and Nevada State Museum and Joe has placed it in the display cabinet. We are planning a dedication of the cabinet on Saturday, September 24, the day of the Wildcat Reunion. Classes of 1956 (celebrating their 60th reunion) and 1966 (celebrating their 50th reunion) will be invited, and memorabilia from those two classes will be displayed. Notifications will be sent to those two classes, and information about the display cabinet will be included in the program to be given out to the Wildcat Reunion attendees.

PROGRAMS AND GOALS

Class Reunions

2016 reunion information for classes of 1950, 1953, 1954, 1956, 1961, 1966, 1986 and 2006 has been posted on our website and on the CCSD website. Lisa is just starting planning a reunion for the class of 2001.

Vehicle Donation Program

We just received an offer for the donation of a pick-up truck. Bruce will be contacting the donor.

HISTORIAN UPDATE

Joe has scheduled the next Art Show at the Las Vegas Academy for October, 2016. He will design a flyer to be included in the Wildcat Reunion attendee packets and provide it to Patty for printing in the near future.

WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK

Update not given.

OLD BUSINESS

Annual Membership Meeting

Our annual Membership Meeting was held on May 17 in the cafeteria at LVHS. We were honored with a performance by the Spectrum to kick-off the meeting (they also provided us with delicious homemade cookies), and also by the attendance of Debbie Brockett, several of her staff members and members of the Student Council. We received a BIG thank-you card from the Spectrum for the new sound system that we helped them obtain with donations from alumni. We will probably hold next year's meeting at LVHS again.

Auditorium Renovation Update

The new sound system has been installed. Laura Ungaro and Patty Haack attended a wonderful concert by the Spectrum on April 23. The LVHSAA received recognition and thank-yous during the program and in the hand-out program for their help in providing alumni donations to help with the costs of the new sound system.

Caps and Gowns

Since the last meeting we paid for 15 caps and gowns for needy students, a total of \$450.

Close-Up Program

The two students that we helped sponsor for the Close-Up Program this year gave a recap of their trip at our annual Membership Meeting, plus we received photos and thank-you cards from both of them.

Yearbooks

We've received several yearbook donations for the LVHSAA library. Ani will check to see if the school has any duplicates in the library that they will either sell or donate to us.

NEW BUSINESS

GuideStar

Discussion was deferred to our next meeting since Dave Williams was not in attendance.

LVHSAA Sponsored Program to Expose Students to Local and State Government

Ani will check with the Social Studies teacher to determine if the school has any such programs.

Summerlin Patriotic Parade

Rollie, Bruce and Joe will be attending an orientation meeting on June 15. The LVHS marching band (about 130 members) will also be participating, along with cheerleaders and 3 Wildcat mascots.

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

The next two board meetings have been scheduled: Sunday, July 17, 2016 and Sunday, August 14, 2016 – both at 2:00 p.m. at Patty's home.

Any corrections to these minutes will gladly be accepted at the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Haack, Secretary/Treasurer LVHS Alumni Association