

LAS VEGAS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – 06/07/20

A meeting of the Las Vegas High School Alumni Association (“LVHSAA”) Board of Directors was held at Allen Kaercher’s office. Directors Maria Konold and Bruce Langson were unable to attend. Director Ronnie Blomgren Wilson attended by speaker phone. The following directors, representing a quorum, were in attendance:

Laura Beverlin Chadburn	Crystal Latham Beville
Rollie Gibbs	Jill Leone
Patty Haack	Laura Ungaro
Allen Kaercher	David Williams
Maria Konold	

Historian Joe Thomson and Sam Thomas, LVHS Baseball Coach, were also in attendance.

President Rollie Gibbs opened the meeting and then asked Patty Haack, Secretary/Treasurer, to conduct the remainder of the meeting. The following items were discussed:

Election of New Board Member

A motion was made, and unanimously approved by the board, to increase our number of directors from 11 to 12. Sam Thomas was then nominated and unanimously approved by all to be our new director. We are extremely pleased to have Sam on our board.

Minutes of Prior Meeting

The minutes of February 16, 2020 meeting were approved.

Financial Reports

- The Income and Expenses since the last meeting were reviewed and approved.
- The board approved reimbursing Patty \$86.68 for certificate frames.
- Patty reported that there were no significant budget variances.

LVHS Graduations

- Senior Awards and graduation delayed due to COVID-19
- Senior Sunset Parade held on May 22. A video is available on LVHS website.

Succession Planning

Crystal will schedule time in the near future to start hands-on observation and training on the functions performed by Patty.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Fund Raising (Laura Ungaro & Allen Kaercher)

- Thank you notes received from Jolene Mitchell, LVA and from Jim Bilbray (class of 1956) for helping the LVA
- Allen presented several ideas for another fundraiser, possibly later this year.

Membership (Laura Chadburn)

Since the last meeting:

- One new membership was received (lifetime).
- Ten members, including 4 lifetime members, passed away.
- 30 renewals (17 expired & 13 not due) were received. 27 memberships that expired 09/30/19 remain.
- Overall paid membership is up to 453 (from 441), including 183 lifetime members.
- We have a total of 483 (up from 459) members in good standing.

Scholarships (Jill Leone)

- We awarded \$20,000 (8 @ \$2000; 4 @ \$1000) to seniors and \$8,100 (\$1350 each) to 6 second-year recipients, for a total of \$28,100 to 18 recipients.
- The LVHSAA has now awarded a total of 86 scholarships totaling \$159,100 since 2009.
- Framed certificates were delivered to the school for presentation to the recipients.
- In lieu of taking the 2020 recipients to lunch, Senator Richard Bryan gave each a \$25 Amazon gift card.
- Notification letters, including a letter from Senator Bryan, his gift card, and a copy of their check to their school, have been mailed to all recipients.
- Thank you notes have been received from several of the recipients

Wildcat Reunion 2020 (Patty Haack & Rollie Gibbs)

- A discussion was held on whether we will be able to hold the reunion this year in view of COVID-19.
- It was decided that we will not make a final decision until our next meeting. By then we will have an update from our Governor and have more information from the Orleans on what will be possible.
- We will invite committee members that are not on the board to our next meeting.
- Patty will let contacts for those classes planning reunions this year, know of our delayed decision.
- We will mail something out by the end of July to let all alumni know our final decision.

PROGRAMS, PROJECTS AND GOALS

Wildcat Float (Rollie Gibbs)

- Rollie would like to move the float out of his workshop.
- The school does not have a facility available that would accommodate the float due to its height.
- Rollie will research prices for a storage shed.

Updates were not given on the following topics:

- Class Reunions (Patty Haack)
- Grants (Jill Leone)
- Historian Update (Joe Thomson)
- Homeless and Needy Students (Jill Leone)
- LVA Legacy Project (Bruce Langson)
- Memorabilia Display at Las Vegas Academy (Joe Thomson)
- Scholarship Mentoring (Jill Leone)
- Senior Squares (Rollie Gibbs)
- Vehicle Donation Program (Bruce Langson)
- Website (Dave Williams)

OLD BUSINESS

Back-Up Plan for Future Wildcat Reunions

Ronnie reported that she had talked to Bill Boyd's daughter and that the Wildcat Reunion will carry on.

Grad Lists

- All years from 1913 through 2017 are now on our website.
- We are waiting for the digital listings from the school for 2018, 2019 and 2020 so we can add them to our website.

LVHS Newsletters (Patty Haack)

- The latest Desert Breeze has been published and is only available on-line on the LVHS website.

Summerlin Parade

Cancelled and going "virtual". We are waiting for instructions.

Updates were not given on the following topics:

- UNLV Classes
- Yearbooks

NEW BUSINESS

Homecoming

Scheduled for September 25, 2020

LVA Pavers

- Renovation of the old auditorium is underway.
- Jolene Mitchell sent us a video showing the progress of placement of the pavers.

Request from Dave Sheehan

- He previously did the CCSD postings of class reunions.
- He has now retired and is creating a website to spotlight all high school grads from all schools in the CCSD.
- He is requesting bios and photos of alumni.
- The board agreed to post his request on our website.

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

The next board meeting will be on Sunday, July 12 at 2 p.m. at Allen's office.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Haack, Secretary/Treasurer
LVHS Alumni Association