

**LAS VEGAS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION  
MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
May 10, 2018  
Las Vegas High School Cafeteria – 6:56 p.m.**

The annual meeting of members of the Las Vegas High School Alumni Association (“LVHSAA”) was held in the cafeteria at Las Vegas High School, 6500 E. Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas. The following board members were present:

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

Historian Joe Thomson was also in attendance.

The meeting was also attended by the following LVHSAA members and alumni:

John Angus (1959)  
Naomi Lytle Gibbs (1954)  
Georgeann Wright Ray (1978)

In addition, we were honored to also have in attendance LVHS Principal Debbie Brockett and LVHS staff members Robert Bray (Pal Program), Nicole Capetillo (Student Council Adviser), Eric Capetillo (Football Coach), Sean Klus (Key Club Adviser), Debra Jamison (Culinary Teacher, and Christopher Welch (Assistant Principal) plus several members of the LVHS Student Council, four members of the Key Club, 7 members of the culinary class and 3 of our 2018 scholarship recipients.

The Las Vegas High School Spectrum group started off the meeting with a wonderful performance. Student Council Adviser Nicole Capetillo arranged refreshments, served by members of the culinary class. We were extremely pleased with the participation of the students in attendance, most of whom requested membership applications and plan to join the LVHSAA!

President Rollie Gibbs opened the meeting. He then asked Patty Haack, Secretary/Treasurer, to conduct the remainder of the meeting.

### **Scholarships**

Jill Leone announced that the LVHSAA awarded ten scholarships this year for \$2000 each and introduced the recipients in attendance. Since inception, the LVHSAA has awarded 59 scholarships totaling \$111,000. Recipients were presented with framed certificates at the Senior Awards Night on May 1.

Patty announced that Senator Richard Bryan (1955) would like to host a luncheon for the ten 2018 recipients. Patty will contact the counselors to schedule a date for the luncheon.

### **Membership**

Laura Chadburn gave an update on LVHSAA membership. The LVHSAA currently has 457 paid members and 27 honorary and free memberships, for a total of 484 members in good standing. Laura will be overseeing our 4th annual Membership Challenge in September.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of the May 9, 2017 Annual Membership Meeting were reviewed. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed to approve the minutes.

### **Annual Election of Board of Directors**

The LVHSAA Bylaws require 10% of the membership for a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the members, and that valid proxies are counted in the number of votes made on any action. As of the date of the mailing of ballots, we had a total of 457 paid members and needed a minimum of 46 members to vote, either in person or by mailed-in proxy, for the election of the board. We received 187 (41%) proxy votes. Congratulations were given to the three board members (Rollie Gibbs, Patty Haack and Bruce Langson) that were unanimously re-elected to the board for three year terms.

### **Financial Reports**

Patty Haack gave a report on all income and expenses since the 2017 annual meeting and since inception of the LVHSAA in 2008. The major portion of our income since inception includes \$127,775 in membership dues, \$15,194 from raffle ticket sales at the Wildcat Reunions, \$16,860 in sales from donated vehicles, \$12,056 from Wildcat Reunion program ads and \$70,844 in donations to the Scholarship Fund. The major expenses since inception were \$6604 for the Wildcat float, \$32,572 in grants to the school and students, \$111,000 for scholarships. The association currently has a balance of \$84,684 in their interest-bearing checking account and \$20,484 in a CD. The LVHSAA currently has a total of \$105,168 in assets and \$20,000 in liabilities (for the 2018 scholarships not yet disbursed), with a net worth of \$85,168.

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed by attending members to approve the financial reports.

### **Preservation of Historic Buildings on LVA Campus**

Bruce Langson gave a brief recap of the LVHSAA efforts to assure the preservation of five of the historic buildings currently used by the Las Vegas Academy. Since the last annual meeting, the association received a grant of \$46,000 from the City of Las Vegas Centennial Commission, which was used to pay for a feasibility study on the possibility of upgrading and continued use of those buildings. The feasibility study was completed. The Clark County School District has now selected an architectural firm to develop a Master Plan Proposal to be presented to the School Board. The intent is to preserve the historic elements of the campus while, at the same time, modernizing and expanding the facilities. Bruce will continue to represent the LVHSAA and be involved with this project.

### **Review of LVHSAA Accomplishments since 2017 and Since Inception (2008) and Future Plans/Goals**

Patty Haack gave a recap of LVHSAA support provided to LVHS students and faculty, which totaled \$7,937 plus \$20,000 for scholarships since May, 2017, for a total of \$27,937 in support and \$111,000 for scholarships since inception. Included were caps and gowns for less fortunate students, sponsorships for the Key Club Conference and Yearbook Camp, bus passes for needy students and assistance for needy students and families.

Other accomplishments for the past year included raising funds for scholarships, providing articles for LVHS publications, maintaining the LVHSAA website, having the Wildcat float participate in the Summerlin Patriotic Parade, Veterans Day Parade and LVHS Homecoming Parade, holding the annual all-class Wildcat Reunion and publishing two Wildcat Tales newsletters.

Patty Haack gave a review of the 2017 Wildcat Reunion which honored alumni from classes of 1951 through 1955. There were 548 attendees from classes of 1937 through 2017 – an 80 year span. A total of \$6000 was made for the scholarship fund from the raffle and donations for memorabilia. The 2018 Wildcat Reunion will honor alumni from the classes of 1956 through 1959. The LVHSAA appreciates the participation of the LVHS cheerleaders, Spectrum, marching band, Student Council, JAG and ROTC Color Guard in making this annual event such a success.

### **Future Plans/Goals**

Bruce Langson gave a recap of the future plans and goals of the LVHSAA, which included:

- \* Increase total dollar amount of scholarships awarded annually
- \* Support LVHS students and faculty with grants and donations
- \* Establish Endowments
- \* Provide assistance for homeless and needy students
- \* Maintain relationship with the Las Vegas Academy

- \* Work with Las Vegas Academy and Clark County School District to assure the preservation of the historic buildings on their campus
- \* Increase LVHSAA membership, concentrating on younger classes
- \* Hold at least one fund-raising event annually for the Scholarship Fund
- \* Coordinate program for donations of vehicles and other items of value to benefit the LVHSAA Scholarship Fund.
- \* Collect memorabilia and maintain display at LV Academy
- \* Collect and maintain library of all LVHS yearbooks
- \* Maintain senior squares monument at old LVHS (Las Vegas Academy)
- \* Hold annual Wildcat Reunion for all alumni
- \* Maintain Wildcat Alumni database
- \* Provide information to class contacts to assist in planning their reunions.
- \* Maintain the LVHS Alumni website
- \* Participate in the Summerlin Patriotic (July 4), Veterans and Homecoming parades
- \* Sponsor Art Contest at Las Vegas Academy
- \* Publish Wildcat Tales Newsletters semi-annually
- \* Establish an Alumni Museum for LVHS memorabilia

### **Ratification of Corporate Actions**

A motion was made and seconded, and unanimously approved by all attending members that all activities and transactions reported by the LVHSAA Board of Directors and reflected on the books and records of the LVHSAA to date are deemed to have been taken in the best interest of the corporation and are hereby ratified, affirmed and approved.

### **2019 Annual Membership Meeting**

The next Annual Membership Meeting will be held in May, 2019 in the LVHS Cafeteria. The exact date will be announced at a later date.

A motion was made and approved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:00 p.m.

Any corrections to these minutes will gladly be accepted. Please note that these minutes will be reviewed and approved at the next Annual Membership Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Haack, Secretary/Treasurer  
LVHS Alumni Association