

# **LAS VEGAS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

## **MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – 01/18/17**

A meeting of the Las Vegas High School Alumni Association (“LVHSAA”) Board of Directors was held at Patty Haack’s home. Directors Lisa Ball and Matt Shlisky and Historian Joe Thomson were unable to attend. The following board members, representing a quorum, were present.

Laura Beverlin Chadburn	Jill Leone
Rollie Gibbs	Matt Shlisky
Patty Haack	Laura Ungaro
Allen Kaercher	David Williams
Bruce Langson	

Guests in attendance included Senator Richard Bryan, Blake Cumbers, Associate Superintendent, CCSD Facilities Division, Erick Capetillo, Head Football Coach at Las Vegas High School, and Nicolle Capetillo, Student Council Advisor, Las Vegas High School.

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

### **Minutes of Prior Meeting**

The minutes of the November 13, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved by attending board members.

### **Financial Report**

The LVHSAA Income and Expense Statements and Balance Sheet as of 12/31/16 were reviewed and unanimously approved by the board.

### **2017 Budget**

The proposed 2017 Budget was reviewed and unanimously approved by the board.

### **RENOVATION OF THE LAS VEGAS ACADEMY CAMPUS**

Guest Blake Chambers provided information about a possible renovation of the LVA campus. Blake, Senator Richard Bryan, and LVHSAA Vice President Bruce Langson met recently with LVA Principal Scott Walker to discuss the need for an upgraded or new building. The existing building is lacking in network and communication system capabilities, and due to its age (built in 1930), the CCSD feels it would be more economical to build a new, multi-level building where the Butcher Field used to be, and to re-purpose the existing structure. The main building and gymnasium were placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1986, and in 1987 then Governor Richard Bryan (LVHS Class of 1955) signed a bill preserving them as historic landmarks. CCSD is currently doing a master plan for the whole campus and will eventually be getting bids from at least three contractors. Bruce will maintain an open line of communication with the CCSD on this multi-year project to assure preservation of the main building and gym. Senator Bryan will meet with CCSD Trustee, District C, Linda Young, and will check into historic tax credits, determine if federal grants are available, and to talk to LVHS alumni and historian Bob Stoldal.

### **LVHS FOOTBALL PROGRAM FOR ALUMNI**

The new LVHS Head Football Coach, Erick Capetillo (Class of 2006 alumni) talked about having more involvement of alumni in the school’s football program. He is considering a special alumni section at football games. He has developed a survey to be sent to former football players and is considering a football reunion in the future. Dave will post information and the survey on Facebook and the LVHSAA website. We may include information about Erick’s program in the 2017 Wildcat Reunion mailing.

### **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

#### **Fund Raising**

Allen brought the completed painting done by well-known local artist Roy Purcell. It depicts the history of LVHS and includes the original Las Vegas school building, the first high school, and the 7<sup>th</sup> Street main building. We hope to hold an auction for it at a fund raising event at the Springs Preserve Boomtown 1905 in March or April. Patty reported that we received 7 donations, totaling \$2241, for the scholarship fund since our last meeting. We also received a \$1000 refund from CSN for one of our \$2000 scholarship recipients that did not attend their second semester.

## **Membership**

Since November, 48 memberships were renewed (1 as lifetime). One new membership was received. We currently have a total of 284 paid annual members and 164 lifetime members, plus 8 honorary members and 10 free members (2016 grads and scholarship winners), for a total of 466 members in good standing. There are 71 memberships that expired 09/30/16 that have not yet been renewed.

Discussion on accepting new and renewal memberships by credit card at the Wildcat Reunion was deferred to our next meeting. Nicole Capetillo offered to assist us in getting contact information on recent grads and will help us in getting them involved in the LVHSAA and Wildcat Reunion.

## **Scholarships**

Since Matt was unable to attend, Jill will contact him tomorrow and help develop a flyer about our scholarships. Jill will forward it to the Senior Counselors and several teachers at the school, plus the person that runs the College and Career Center. They will post copies for the students. It will also be posted in the Teachers' Lounge so all senior teachers can post it in their classrooms. Patty and Matt will provide Dave with scholarship information to be posted on our LVHSAA website. We will ask the school to provide a link to it from their website scholarship page.

## **Wildcat Reunion**

The first committee meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 9 at Patty's. All board members volunteered to be on the committee this year. Bruce provided contact information for a new photographer. Discussion on LVA art for a possible auction at the reunion was deferred to our next meeting.

## **LVHS LIAISONS**

Matt Shlisky, Bruce Langson and Jill Leone are the LVHSAA Liaisons with LVHS.

### **Desert Breeze and Parent/Student Newsletter Articles**

Matt will contact Julie Wilde about putting an article in the Desert Breeze, and Christopher Welch about an article for the Parent/Student Newsletter.

### **Grants**

Since our last meeting, the LVHSAA awarded grants to three LVHS students to pay for 50% of their Close-Up Program costs. We also paid for spirit packs and shoes for the girls' basketball team.

Bruce will follow-up with the LVHS Librarian to get a little more information and will update board members so they can make a decision on a pending request received in November.

## **LAS VEGAS ACADEMY LIAISONS**

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

### **Memorabilia Display at Las Vegas Academy**

Joe is planning to change the display in early February and will probably include photographs that LVA students can reference for creating art work pertinent to history of the school.

### **Auditorium Renovation**

No update.

## **PROGRAMS AND GOALS**

### **Class Reunions**

Class of 1967 is working on plans for their 50<sup>th</sup> reunion next year. It will be the night before the Wildcat Reunion. We have not heard from any other classes yet this year.

### **Homeless and Needy Students**

Rollie reported that the two 40 foot trailers that will be donated by Art Goldstrom (class of 1953) to store supplies for the homeless and needy students may be available soon.

### **Senior Squares**

Rollie reported that the light sensor has been repaired.

### **Vehicle Donation Program**

Bruce sold the car donated by Diane Pahor Belt.

### **HISTORIAN UPDATE & LVHSAA-LVA JURIED ART EXHIBIT**

Updated was deferred to our next meeting.

### **WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK**

No update.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Grad Lists**

Jill is following up with the school to get the grad lists that we are missing, to be posted on our website.

#### **Senior Class President List**

Jill is helping us obtain a list of all Senior Class Presidents to be used in helping us obtain alumni mailing lists.

#### **Wildcat Tales**

Wildcat Tales #16 was mailed the end of November, 2016. Another one will be sent in March and will include notice about our Annual Membership Meeting.

#### **Yearbooks**

Patty reported that we now have 30 yearbooks in our LVHSAA library and 11 yearbooks available for our yearbook auction. We have extended the auction bidding date to the end of January. Jill will contact the LVHS Yearbook Advisor again to see if the school has any duplicate yearbooks that they would either donate or sell to us for our library. The board approved the purchase of a 2017 yearbook for our library at a cost of \$75.

#### **Yearbook Ad**

The board approved putting a full page ad in the 2017 LVHS yearbook at a cost of \$250. The ad will include information previously given to graduating seniors in a letter, offering free one year memberships to the LVHSAA.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Annual Membership Meeting**

Board members were reminded that the next Annual Membership Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the LVHS Cafeteria.

#### **Future Board Meetings**

The majority of the board voted to resume holding our meetings on Sunday afternoons rather than Wednesday evenings.

### **NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING**

The next board meeting will be held on Sunday, February 19, 2017 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