

## **LAS VEGAS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – 03/19/17**

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 Laura Chadburn were unable to attend. The following board members, representing a quorum, were present.

Rollie Gibbs	Jill Leone
Patty Haack	Matt Shlisky
Allen Kaercher	Laura Ungaro
Bruce Langson	Dave Williams

Historian Joe Thomson was also in attendance. Guests in attendance included Tasheena Greenawalt (LVHS Yearbook Advisor), Jill Barnard (class of 1965), Maria Konold Soto-Henry (class of 1981) and Crystal Latham Beville (class of 1981).

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

### **Preservation and Renovation of the Las Vegas Academy Main Building and Gymnasium**

Bruce Langson gave an update on the preservation efforts. There was a recent article in the Las Vegas Review Journal and Bruce and Patty were interviewed earlier in the week on Channel 8 news, bringing public attention to our efforts. Bob Stoldal (class of 1961) will be presenting a resolution to the City of Las Vegas Historic Preservation Commission on April 26 to preserve the Las Vegas Academy Campus. Bruce will be making a presentation at the Las Vegas Centennial Commission meeting on June 12 to request a grant to fund a feasibility study for updating of the historic buildings. The CCSD has selected three companies to develop a master plan for the LVA campus. The LVHSAA will continue to stay involved with the LVA and CCSD on this project.

### **Career Technical Education and Yearbook Update**

Tasheena Greenawalt, LVHS Yearbook Advisor, gave us an update on the direction she is taking in encouraging students toward career technical and vocational training. She also encouraged us to have more interaction between students and alumni via social media, and stressed the advantages of using social media to raise awareness of students and alumni of the potentials for mentoring. She presented us with a letter written and signed by the LVHS 2017 yearbook staff thanking us for sending students to last year’s Yearbook Camp and requesting assistance with funding to send students to the 2017 summer Yearbook Camp. The board approved a total of \$2440 for four students to attend.

### **Minutes of Prior Meeting**

The minutes of the March 19, 2017 meeting were unanimously approved by attending board members.

### **Financial Report**

The LVHSAA Income and Expense Statements and Balance Sheet as of 04/23/17 were reviewed and unanimously approved by the board.

### **2017 Budget**

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

## **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

### **Fund Raising**

Allen will look into the possibility of holding a fund raising function at the Mob Museum. He is still checking into the possibility of getting a better price for the fund raising function at the Springs Preserve. Patty will talk to someone at the Las Vegas Academy about the possibility of auctioning off the Roy Purcell painting at their annual fund raiser and splitting the proceeds with them. Patty reported that we had \$415 in scholarship fund donations since our March meeting.

### **Membership**

We received two new memberships since the last meeting, including one lifetime member. Over the last month, one member died and 32 memberships were renewed (8 of which had expired in prior years). Two renewed as lifetime members. We currently have a total of 298 paid annual members and 167 lifetime members, plus 8 honorary members and 10 free members (2016 grads and scholarship winners), for a total of 483 members in good standing. There are 55

memberships that expired 09/30/16 that have not yet been renewed. Crystal Beville volunteered to encourage her classmates to join the LVHSAA and attend the Wildcat Reunion.

### **Scholarships**

The Scholarship Committee spent 5½ hours reviewing 36 applications on April 9. Eight graduating students will receive \$2000 each, totaling \$16,000. Since inception, the LVHSAA has now awarded a total of 49 scholarships, totaling \$91,000. Patty will send letters to the recipients. She will also print "certificates" for each recipient which will be placed in frames and presented to them by Matt and Jill at the Senior Awards night on May 25. In hopes of improving our ability to track recipients, the letter will ask them to join our Facebook page, let us know about their Facebook page and ask them to send us periodic updates on their school progress.

### **Wildcat Reunion**

The next committee meeting is Thursday, April 27. The second home football game of the session will be the same night as the Wildcat Reunion (September 23). We have been assured by the Cheer Coach, Band Director and Student Council Advisor that they will still be able to participate at the Wildcat Reunion. We have also been assured that there will be a mascot at the reunion. We are still looking for a photographer that will be able to take and print photos at the reunion.

## **LVHS LIAISONS**

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

### **Parent/Student Newsletter Articles**

Nothing to report.

### **Grants**

A new request for approximately \$125 to purchase batteries for the calculators that we provided to the school three years ago was approved by the board. We will be paying for caps and gowns for needy students as soon as we know how many are needed.

### **Homeless and Needy Students**

Nothing to report.

## **LAS VEGAS ACADEMY LIAISONS**

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

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

Joe will be changing the display in the next few days. The new display will include photos of classes taken on the front steps of the main building.

## **PROGRAMS AND GOALS**

### **Class Reunions**

Classes of 1952, 1953, 1956, 1960, 1967, 1972, 1977 and 1997 are all planning reunions for September 22. Class of 1957 will do their reunion at the Wildcat Reunion on September 23. Class of 1962 is planning their reunions for October. Dave will put a post on Facebook asking for information on class contact names and reunions for classes of 1982, 1987, 1992, 2002, 2007 and 2012.

### **Senior Squares**

Nothing to report.

### **Vehicle Donation Program**

Nothing to report.

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

The third annual LVHSAA-LVA Juried Art Exhibit at the Las Vegas Academy will be held in October. The exact date has yet to be determined.

## **WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK**

Dave reported that our domain name is due for renewal soon.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Annual Membership Meeting**

The meeting will be in the LVHS Cafeteria on Tuesday, May 9 at 6:30 p.m. Official notification and ballots were sent to all paid members on April 21. Ballots are due by May 5.

**Note:** After the meeting, we received word from Student Council Advisor Nicole Capetillo that she would like the board to be there by 5:30 p.m. She will provide a dinner and give us an opportunity to visit with the students before the meeting. Nicole also will invite our scholarship winners to attend, along with the three students that we help attend the Close-Up Program this year. In addition, she has invited the Las Vegas Academy Student Body officers to also attend. The Spectrum group will kick-off our meeting at 6:30 with a brief performance.

### **Grad Lists**

Jill is working on getting these for us.

### **Homecoming**

We are hoping to have a table set up by the entrance at the homecoming game to provide an opportunity for alumni to sign up for our annual Wildcat Reunion mailing list. Jill will assist in coordinating this.

### **Senior Class President List**

Jill is working on getting these for us.

### **Yearbooks**

Tasheena promised to research yearbooks at the school to determine if there any duplicates that might be available for the LVHSAA library.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Bylaws**

Patty is waiting for a response from our legal counsel regarding a couple of minor revisions to our Bylaws.

### **July 4 Summerlin Patriotic Parade**

We have paid the entry fee and the Wildcat Float has been approved to be in the parade on July 4. Judge Lloyd D. George has agreed to ride the float with us again. The LVHS cheerleaders and band are also going to be participating.

### **Mission Statement**

The board approved adding the following items to our Mission Statement: "K. Preserve the historic integrity of the original Las Vegas High School campus."

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

The next two board meetings will be held on 2:00 p.m. at Patty's on May 21 (changed from May 28) and June 25.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Haack, Secretary/Treasurer  
LVHS Alumni Association