

# **Lincoln Lynx Alumni Association Board Meeting**

## **February 23, 2019 – University House – 12:30PM**

**Attendees (19):** *President Jack McKay '57, Vice President Suzanne Lundquist '63, Financial Secretary Steve LaVergne '60, Recording Secretary Judy Roe '64, Merchandising Chair Bev Washburn '57, Totem II Editor and Class Rep Jackie King '67, Class Rep Linda Strock '62, Class Rep Monica Weber '73, Scholarship Committee Chair Gretchen Mork '57, Class Rep Don Ford '49, Class Rep James Raptis '80, Totem II Co-Editor Sandy Smith '57, Class Rep Wayne Porter '65, Class Rep Don Ford '49, Class Rep Ron Jostol '51, Class Rep and Co-rep Monika Lirio and Jeff Taylor '79, Margaret Kennedy '57, John Nicon '57. In accordance with the by-laws, there was a quorum of at least 10 members.*

**Link to the detailed reports and additional information**

[February 23, 2019 Pre-Meeting Information Packet](#)

### **A. Welcome and Introductions**

### **B. Approval of Regular January 19, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes**

**Motion by Jackie King seconded by Linda Strock, to approve the LLAA minutes for the January 19, 2019 Board meeting. PASSED**

### **C. Proposal by Michael Reagan '65 (p. 4)**

**Motion by Jackie King seconded by Linda Strock to approve \$450 for covering costs for the trial run of the Michael Reagan Abraham Lincoln sketch/lithographs project and the cost for framing the original sketch that he is donating to LLAA/LHS (\$200 to print/frame/tube the lithographs and \$250 for the frame for Michael Reagan's original sketch of Abraham Lincoln). PASSED.**

Wayne Porter explained that in addition to donating a large sketch of Abraham Lincoln for prominent display in a major hallway or art room at LHS, Michael Reagan '65 is proposing a trial run of selling signed lithographs of this sketch to alumni. Michael would be at the All Class Luncheon on June 8<sup>th</sup> and would have a table with 5 unframed and 5 framed lithographs for sale to determine the interest level.

### **D. Class Representative Reports**

- Ron Jostol '51 located the president of his class in Arizona
- John Nicon '57 is President of the group Greeks in Washington and Don Ford '49 is also a member (<http://greeksinwashington.org/>)
- Wayne Porter '65 has a reunion coming up and his classmates are updating their '65 alumni data
- Jeff Taylor '79 is meeting today with other classmates to discuss their plans for a 40<sup>th</sup> reunion
- Linda Strock, '62, is helping her class plan their 75<sup>th</sup> birthday reunion
- Monika Lirio '79 promoted an event that is scheduled for February 26 at Tutta Bella restaurant (4411 Stone Way N.) with 10% of proceeds going to the LHS performing art fund (Monika's daughter is one of the teachers for the new LHS)
- James Raptis '80 recently attended the state wide wrestling match and noted that Nathan Hale High earned a state championship

### **E. Updates on LLAA Project and Activities**

#### **1. Update on Scholarship Application Form-Monica Weber (p. 7)**

**Motion by Gretchen Mork seconded by James Raptis, to remove the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) line from the scholarship form. WITHDRAWN**

After further discussion, Gretchen Mork withdrew the motion. Steve LaVergne mentioned that an application for a 2019 scholarship has already been received.

2. **Update on Next Totem II-Jackie King** (p. 9) Jackie King reminded the class reps that she needs articles for the Totem II by March 5<sup>th</sup>. She explained that there is a process of switching membership type for LLAA members with expired dues from “MBR” to “FRMR” three times per year after the Totem II is sent. She sends a list to each class rep identifying members from their class who were switched to “FRMR”.
3. **Update on Association Membership Data-Steve LaVergne** (p. 9) Member count is down because members with expired dues were recently set to “FRMR” and this is a normal occurrence.
4. **Update on Renovation of Lincoln High School-Jerry Bacon** (p. 9) Don Ford requested review of LHS Facebook page(s) since he has seen inappropriate content in the photos of ongoing renovations. See the pre-meeting packet for Jerry Bacon’s report.
5. **Update on December 2018 Financial Report-Lynne Emmons**  
**Motion by Jackie King seconded by Monika Lirio, to approve the LLAA financial reports for the year end, December 2018. PASSED**
6. **Update on Emailing for Engagement-Jack McKay** (p. 10) No action by Board.
7. **Update on the Paver Project-Steve LaVergne** (p.11) So far 277 pavers have been ordered. Jack McKay has been talking with Quiring Monuments, 9608 Aurora, to gather information about engraving process and costs.
8. **Update on the Image-branding of LLAA-Barbara Curtis** (p. 11) Jack McKay briefly showed Barbara’s chart which identifies key concepts that her committee is using.
9. **Update on the Alumni Open House Publication-Beverly Washburn** (p. 12) The intent is to keep the document simple and short with emphasis on a map of the school’s layout, key names, membership application form, paver order form, list of LLAA projects.
10. **Update on the Alumni Open House Activities, Arrangements-Beverly Washburn** (p. 12)  
**Motion by Judy Roe seconded by Sandy Smith to approve \$500 for refreshments for the Alumni Open House event on September 25, 2019. PASSED.**  
Jack McKay is seeking groups of rooms for the alumni classes to meet in LHS during the open house, possibly organized by decade. Sandy Smith emphasized the need for name tags.
11. **Update on Hall of Fame Criteria-Terri Lindeke** (p. 12) Jack McKay read an email from Terri. The Hall of Fame Committee is touring other schools and intends to provide results to the Board by the end of March.

**12. Update on Wallingford Parade-Terry Lindeke** (p. 13) Jack McKay read an email from Terri. They are seeking Chanters to sing the alma mater. The parade will be on Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>. The theme will honor of the re-opening of LHS. There are plans for some LLAA members to ride in classic cars. Prior to the parade, alumni will gather at Home of Good Shepard. Later, after the parade, they will meet at Wallingford Playfield for a get together.

## **F. Discussion and Action**

### **1. Should There Be Revisions to the Articles of Incorporation (AOI) and By-laws?**

**– Don Ford and Jackie King** (see p. 13-16 of pre meeting packet)

Shall we reconsider the amendment to Article I. NAME AMENDMENTS TO AOI passed at the Board meeting on October 20, 2018 (Note: Motion to reconsider is due to non-Board member making a motion at October meeting)?

**Motion by Monica Weber seconded by Sandy Smith, to approve leaving the word “organization” (versus changing the word to “corporation”) in the current LLAA Article I of the AOI. “The name of this organization shall be Lincoln Lynx Alumni Association” PASSED.**

Shall we rescind the passed motion from October 20, 2018 and amend AOI Article IV MEMBERS?

**Motion by Monica Weber seconded by Linda Strock, to rescind the motion from October 20, 2018 Board meeting to amend AOI wording of “any person who attended Lincoln High School of Seattle, Washington” and to approve re-adding the original wording of the AOI as amended on 10/18/2001 “regardless of age, creed, color, or religion” which in the entire sentence would be: “Any Person, regardless of age, creed, color or religion who attended Lincoln High School of Seattle, Washington...” PASSED.**

Shall we amend AOI Article XI, 11.1 By-Laws; Amendments to AOI as it pertains to the LLAA By-Laws?

**Motion by Judy Roe to table any motion for this item until Task Force can provide more specific wording/recommendation. FAILED**

**Motion by Monica Weber seconded by Sandy Smith to rescind the changes made to the current LLAA By-Laws in 2016 and prior years that are in conflict with the current LLAA AOI. PASSED.**

Shall we amend AOI Article XI, 11.2 By-Laws; Amendments to AOI with regards to how meeting notices and/or other information will be transmitted to voting members? The Task Force is proposing the addition of “electronic transmission” as a recommendation of the Board for vote at the next Annual Business Meeting in November. RCW 24.03.009

**Motion by Sandy Smith seconded by Don Ford to recommend adding “electronic transmission” as an additional means of transmitting meeting notices and/or other information to LLAA voting members to the current LLAA AOI Article XI, 11.2 By-Laws; PASSED.**

Shall we amend AOI Article III Purposes? The Task Force is proposing the addition of graduating seniors of Lincoln High School as eligible for LLAA scholarships for higher education and a couple other wording changes. “The primary purpose for which this Association is organized is to provide scholarships for higher education to **graduating seniors** of Lincoln High School of Seattle, Washington **and/or** lineal descendants of **Lincoln**

**graduates** who have graduated from an accredited high school”. The motion is a recommendation of the Board for vote at the next Annual Business Meeting in November.

**Motion by Monica Weber seconded by Linda Strock to recommend the above wording changes to the current LLAA AOI Article III Purposes PASSED.**

## **2. Meet and Greet with Refreshments**

### **3. Should the LLAA Become Part of the LHS PTA Fund Drive?-Don Ford** (p. 16)

Presentation was informational with no action by the Board. Handout was provided. The PTA receives no funds from the state. They need \$87,000 for 145 marching band uniforms. In addition to a fund raising event at Tutta Bella restaurant on February 26<sup>th</sup> another way the PTA is raising money is through a GoFundMe page (<http://www.gofundme.com/lincoln-band-uniforms>). There are legal questions with regards to LLAA providing direct contributions.

### **4. Should the All-Class Luncheon Be Set at \$45 Per Person-Linda Strock** (p. 17)

**Motion by Don Ford seconded by Beverly Washburn, to approve \$45 as the cost per person for late purchase (after May 31<sup>st</sup>) for the All-Class Luncheon on June 8, 2019.**

**PASSED**

The menu features the San Juan lunch which includes salmon or chicken, cheesy mashed potatoes, several salads, and berry cobbler. The Board recommended having the caterer serve all the protein. There will be gallery seating order: for instance one row will be for the classes 1960-1969 and one row will contain the over flow. Marilyn Enloe '67 will handle the silent auction again. The ticket price if purchased by the cutoff date is \$35. LLAA no longer receives the \$1000 discount from the Nile Shriners Country Club in Mountlake Terrace but instead received \$250 "IN KIND". A deposit of \$1000 was made on August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

### **5. Should the Membership Application Form Indicate the Source or Link?** (p. 18)

No action by Board at this time.

### **6. Should the Alumni Open House Date and Time Be Set?** (p. 18)

**Motion by Sandy Smith seconded by Suzanne Lundquist, to approve Wednesday, September 25, 2019 4:00PM - 7:00PM as the date and time of the Alumni Open House.**

**PASSED**

Jack McKay will request the additional time from principal, Ruth Medsker who had originally specified 4:30-6:30. Later, Jack McKay contacted Ruth Medsker who agreed to 4:30-7:00.

### **7. Should the LLAA Do a Post Card Mailing?-Jackie King** (p. 18)

Informal approval was given to proceed with the post card mailing to approximately 7000 alumni with no email address and with a membership type of "FRMR", "TMP", "MBR". Jackie showed an example of the post card which will include information about the June 8<sup>th</sup> All Class Luncheon, September 25<sup>th</sup> LHS open house, membership signup, and paver project. Jack McKay will send this information in an email to the other approximately 4000 alumni with email address and membership type of "FRMR", "TMP", "MBR"

Some expressed concern about advertising the Open House in the post card and email announcements (total of approximately 11,000 notifications) since there will be very limited

parking, tour guides, and time but the majority wanted to proceed with including the Open House information in the post card and email.

**8. Should the LLAA Develop a System to Notify Members of Their Pending Renewal Date?** (p. 19) Jack McKay continues to work on developing this idea

**9. Should the Scholarship Committee Chair and Committee Members Be Approved?** (p. 19)

**Motion by Monica Weber seconded by Sandy Smith, to approve Gretchen Mork as chairperson and Monika Lirio as co-chair and Don Ford, Jeff Taylor, Beverly Washburn, Suzanne Lundquist as committee members for the Scholarship Committee, 2019. PASSED**

During this discussion, Monika Lirio mentioned that she and Jeff Taylor both want to also be on the 2019 Nominating Committee.

**10. Should the Scholarship Application Be Revised (home school graduates)?** (p. 20) Suzanne Lundquist reported that this issue has been resolved by the Scholarship Committee.

**11. Should the Position of Scribe Be Created for “Thank You” Notes?-Sandra Smith** (p. 21) Don Ford mentioned two purposes for the scholarship donation thank you notes: documentation for the receipt of donation and to express appreciation. Jack McKay and Suzanne Lundquist are working on a plan (including designating the name of the person who will do the thank you letters) and meanwhile the mailing labels will be sent to Jack McKay who has updated the thank you note to be a letter with more information.

**12. Should the Officers and Chairs Undertake a Long-Range Strategic Planning Process?** (p. 21) Jack McKay reviewed the 9 ideas in his list of potential long-range goals. He is seeking discussion and potentially more ideas. No action by the Board at this time.

**13. Should the LLAA Propose the LHS Main Entry Walkway Be Named?** (p. 22) Jack McKay is in the early phases of developing this idea. Could be bronze or marble and about 2' x 3'. Jackie King requested more specific ideas and cost.

**14. Should the LLAA present large logo/mascot as a gift of the LHS Alumni?** (p. 23) Jack McKay presented an early draft of the logo which is an adaptation of one at Snohomish High School. Ruth Medsker told him to include these phrases at the bottom: learn with passion, act with courage, and improve the world. Several on the Board did not want to keep the years 1907 and 2019 in the logo (too confusing) but they praised the ribbon image and wanted the phrase “Home of Lynx”. One Board member suggested that the image of the lynx could be improved to look more like a real lynx yet it may already be the school’s choice.

**15. Should the LLAA provide shuttle service for alumni from a nearby school parking lot? –Beverly Washburn** (p. 23) No action by Board at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Armstrong Roe '64

**REMINDER:** Next Regular Board Meeting is **March 9<sup>th</sup>** at University House across from Lincoln High