

# ***Lincoln Lynx Alumni Annual Business Meeting***

## ***October 19, 2019 – University House – 12:30PM***

**Members attending: (20):** *President Jack McKay '57, Financial Secretary Steve LaVergne '60, Treasurer and Class Rep Lynne Emmons '72, Recording Secretary/Database and Website Backup Judy Roe '64, Merchandising Chair Bev Washburn '57, Totem II Editor and Class Rep Jackie King '67, Class Rep/All Class Luncheon Liaison/Database Chair Linda Strock '62, Class Rep/Past President/Website Chair Monica Weber '73, Database Focal for class of '60 Wally Green, Totem II Co-Editor Sandy Smith '57, Class Rep Ron Jostol '51, Class Rep and Co-rep Monika Lirio and Jeff Taylor '79, Class Rep Dixie Hughes '57, Class Rep Mary Johnson '49, Class Rep Barbara Repanich '67, David Repanich '67, Class Rep Wayne Porter '65, Class Rep Marie Avis '69, Class Rep Cheryl Brush '77.*

Pre-meeting packet: [click here](#)

**A. Thank You for Your Service - Presentation** Jack McKay presented plaques to Board and Committee members. The plaques contain a color photo of many of the alumni who attended the LHS Open House on September 25, 2019. Jack McKay was presented (by Jackie King) with a thank you for his service as President: a \$100 gift certificate to Port Ludlow's Fireside Restaurant.

### **B. Approval of November 17, 2018 Annual Business Meeting Minutes**

Official November 17, 2018 Minutes: [click here](#).

**Motion made** by Lynne Emmons seconded by Monica Weber, to approve the official LLAA Minutes as posted to the LLAA web site for the November 17, 2018 LLAA Annual Business Meeting.  
**PASSED**

### **C. Presentation of Scholarship Gift to the University House - Lynne Emmons**

Mary Johnson '40, as resident and representative of University House, accepted the \$300 donation for the University House Employee Scholarship Fund as a thank you for letting LLAA use the conference rooms for various meetings.

### **D. Nomination and Election of the President – Jack McKay**

Jack McKay opened the nomination and introduced the nominee, Jackie King '67 who described her numerous qualifications. She has worked as a bookkeeper for over 30 years, served one year as LLAA Treasurer, and served as LLAA Totem II editor for 6 years. Looking ahead, she wants to focus on: the problem of declining membership, the engraved paver project, LHS hall of fame project, involving more volunteers from the classes of the 60's through 80's especially, revising the by-laws, and promoting a positive environment that allows expression of all opinions. To allow more time for the President's duties, Monica Weber will be her replacement for the Totem II beginning in January.

### **E. Class Representative Reports**

- Dixie Hughes '57 class had over 30 people attend the LHS Open House and many appreciated the photos and video walk thru that Jack McKay had made.
- Mary Johnson '40 turns 98 in January
- Marie Avis '69 class had a successful 50<sup>th</sup> reunion at Embassy Suites in Lynnwood on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Over 180 attended.
- Linda Strock '62 noted that some alumni drove all the way from New Jersey, Montana, and Idaho to attend the September 25<sup>th</sup> the LHS Open House.

- Wayne Porter '65 mentioned the framed lithograph of Abraham Lincoln which was created by Michael Reagan '65 is hanging in the Principal Medsker's office. Some unframed lithographs are available at \$50. He invited all to the LHS assembly on November 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 AM to see the formal presentation of the lithograph to LHS and to honor veterans. His class has started planning their 55<sup>th</sup> reunion for September 13, 2020.
- Barbara Repanich '67 reported quite a few (37 signed-in) showed up for the LHS Open House.
- Cheryl Brush was welcomed to her first LLAA meeting as the new Class Rep '77.
- Lynne Emmons '72 is thinking about a reunion coming up for her class.
- Monica Weber '73 was given a budget of \$500 to pay for refreshments at the LHS Open House but because she collected donations she actually made more money (\$272) than she spent (\$225) on the refreshments. She helped collect LHS trophies from the archive and arrange them in the LHS display cases.
- Monika Lirio '79 was glad the classes of '82-'84 were included in the invitation to the LHS Open House. These classes expressed grateful enthusiasm. Monika Lirio and Jeff Taylor invited all to a gathering at Solo Bar and Eatery which was going to occur today just prior to the Lincoln High football game.

## **F. Action Items**

1. **Should Changes to Amendments to the LLAA Articles of Incorporation (AOI) be Approved? - Jackie King** We were reminded that changes to the AOI require a two-thirds approval vote by the members in good standing at the Annual Business Meeting to pass.

**There were two changes to the AOI considered (changes are highlighted in red):**  
 Article III. Purposes: ...provide scholarships for higher education to **graduating seniors of Lincoln High School – Seattle and/or** to their lineal descendants.

Article XI 11.2 ...provided that proposed amendments are **sent by electronic transmission in accordance with the provisions of RCW 24.03.009 and/or** mailed to the known addresses of voting members

**Motion made** by Monika Lirio seconded by Wally Green, to approve both changes to the LLAA AOI (Article III Purposes and Article XI 11.2). **FAILED**

**Motion made** by Monika Lirio seconded by Barbara Repanich, to approve changing the LLAA Amendment Article III Purposes in the AOI as shown above. **PASSED (18 members raised hands, over 2/3 approved)**

**Motion made** by Lynne Emmons seconded by Monika Lirio, to approve changing the LLAA Amendment Article Xi 11.2 as shown above. **PASSED (19 members raised hands, over 2/3 approved)**

Separate motions were made after Cheryl Brush '77 stated a preference for separate votes.

2. **Results of the Election for the President – Jack McKay** Referred the reporting to Monika Lirio (who is on the Nomination/Election Committee): there were 17 total votes by secret paper ballot and the results were 16 yes for nominee Jackie King and 1 abstain. Jackie King was elected LLAA President beginning January 1, 2020 for a 2 year term.
3. **Should the Scheduled Meeting for November 16, 2019 Be Cancelled? - Jack McKay**

**Motion made** by Sandy Smith seconded by Lynne Emmons, to cancel the November 16, 2019 LLAA Board meeting. **FAILED**

During discussion, Jackie King pointed out that several business matters require a November 16<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting. For instance, the LLAA Board needs to: establish/verify/get approval for 2020 meeting dates/locations, approve LLAA financials for several months, approve new class reps, and help with various planning aspects of the 2020 All Class Luncheon.

## **G. The Celebration of LLAA Events and Activities**

1. **The Alumni Paver Project - Sandy Smith** New pavers are going to be made for the two pavers that had errors. There are 593 pavers in place. There are at least 81 more pending orders plus Steve LaVergne brought in more for Sandy Smith to process. Maggie Reaber at Quiring Monument agreed to not change the price through next summer, 2020. There are a total of 1100 pavers available.

Wally Green suggested the list of people who bought engraved pavers should be put in the LLAA Totem II to recognize their contribution. Jackie King said getting the printable list from the database is cumbersome and because many pavers were actually purchased by multiple people the list would be inaccurate (the database stores the name of just one).

Some class reps have been getting questions such as “Was my payment for an engraved paver received?” . Steve LaVergne offered to look up payments for pavers on request.

2. **The Financial Health of the Association - Lynne Emmons** In comparison to last year, the financial health remains good. For instance, a profit of \$3000 was made on the All Class Luncheon whereas last year it was \$1900. On the other hand, dues income is down \$1500. The Historical Preservation Fund contains \$412. The Annuity at Whidbey Bank continues to be an issue because it is in the name of an alumna who is no longer on the LLAA Board and there does not seem to be a way to have the name changed. A CD at Key Bank matured in March but this was not noticed until June and therefore the interest rate dropped. Lynne Emmons stated she is now more aware for next year.
3. **The All-Class Luncheon - Linda Strock** Several classes are helping. The Committee is going to meet on October 25<sup>th</sup>.
4. **The Membership Project - Steve LaVergne** There are over 1240 paid members. About 20 signed up during the LHS Open House. He noticed some with expired membership are still receiving Totem II. Jackie King said the update of expired “MBR” type to “FRMR” type did not occur until recently and this may be the reason. She also mentioned that some expiration dates are not correct.
5. **The Engagement of Alumni Project - Jack McKay** Reviewed the statistics from the email tool that he uses (Constant Contact): 4100 are emailed via the LLAA post, a monthly email of alumni activities and events.
6. **The Merchandise Project - Beverly Washburn** They did very well at the LHS Open House and sold \$2200. Likewise sales at various reunions were quite high. Inventory is low. She has added jewelry items.

7. **The Database Maintenance Project - Linda Strock** Ginny Munn is helping look for missing classmates in the '60 class. Linda Strock likewise is searching for information about missing classmates.
8. **The Website Maintenance Project - Monica Weber** A number of improvements were implemented by Monica Weber during the past several years: scrolling photos on the Home page, emails going to "TMP" type members (if we have their email) and not just "MBR" and "FRMR" type members, "Beyond the Reef" web pages, and the capability to accept payments from non-members. Backup Judy Roe implemented the Website Guide. Monica Weber mentioned that she is moving to another position on the Board, the Totem II Editor on January 1<sup>st</sup>. Jackie King announced that Judy Roe will become Website Chair on January 1<sup>st</sup>.
9. **The Alumni Open House Project** – Attendance was over 1000. Jack McKay received a request to conduct a yearly open house.

**Closure:** adjournment 1:55 PM

### **Next 2019 LLAA Meeting**

**Board meeting:           Saturday November 16 - 12:30 PM**  
**University House Across Interlake from Lincoln High**

The Minutes for current and past years will also be posted to LLAA web page within the "Latest News" web page and the "Website Guide" web page ([click here](#)).

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
Judy Armstrong Roe, Recording Secretary '64