

# Lincoln Lynx Alumni Association Board of Directors Regular Meeting February 24, 2024 –Northgate Branch Library

ATTENDEES (11): Former Co-President Jackie King '67; Vice President Suzanne Lundquist '63; Financial Secretary Steve LaVergne '60; Recording Secretary, Website Chair, Scholarship Scribe Judy Roe '64; Class Rep, All Class Luncheon Liaison, Database Chair Linda Strock '62; Class Co-Rep, Scholarship Committee Chair Monika Lirio '79; Class Co-Rep Jeff Taylor '79; Class Rep, Nomination Committee Chair James Raptis '80; Class Rep Norm Bolotin '69; Class Rep Jan Gerk '74; Class Co-Rep Nominee Jim Philbrick '75. There was a quorum.

#### A. Call to Order

- 1. Welcome, sign in, introductions
- 2. Flag Salute

## B. Adoption of the Agenda

### C. Approval of Minutes

1. November 18, 2023

Motion to approve LLAA Board Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2023 made by Jan Gerk seconded by Linda Strock. PASSED.

2. January 27, 2024

Motion to approve LLAA Board Meeting Minutes of January 27, 2024 made by Monika Lirio seconded by Jan Gerk. PASSED.

#### D. Reports

## 1. Class Rep Reports

- Jackie King indicated that Verna Rossevelt's class of '66 is continuing to meet quarterly with their next meeting planned for March.
- Monika Lirio and Jeff Taylor are helping to plan the 45<sup>th</sup> reunion for the class of '79 which will be August 10<sup>th</sup> at the Shoreline Elks. They expressed sadness about the death of classmate Chris Taylor.
- Jan Gerk is also helping with planning a reunion for her class of '74. Their 50<sup>th</sup> reunion will be at Shilshole Elks on September 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Norm Bolotin's class of '69 has been meeting each summer at Northlake Tavern but the
  organizer Dave Morgan is tired of doing this so they will focus this year on attending the AllClass Luncheon instead.
- Jim Philbrick class of '75 has volunteered to be Class Co-Rep with Sue Riney who lives on Whidbey Island and cannot regularly attend the Board meetings.
- Suzanne Lundquist's class of '63 plans to meet annually each September.
- Linda Strock's class of '62 may plan a reunion to celebrate being 80.
- Judy Roe '64 indicated her class is planning their 60<sup>th</sup> reunion and are meeting every month at Mary Branom or Howard Tharp's house.
- 2. Treasurer's Report (January 2024) Jackie King for Lynne Emmons (not present)

Storage unit is the biggest expense along with Totem II. The CD comes due in June and the funds will then be available for scholarship expenses.

3. Membership Report – Steve LaVergne/Jackie King (979 is the count from Alum Mstr Rept)
Jackie King reported there are currently 979 members and 41 lifers. She is
communicating with the 262 members who have memberships that have or are
going to expire during March. Judy Roe explained that many alumni have two email
addresses in the database and they do not realize/remember that they need to login with

their primary email address. Jackie King agreed to write a column for Totem II to remind members to use their primary email address for login. She will also provide contact information - if they need changes to their data (email, home address, etc.), they can contact us.

**4. Scholarship Report – Judy Roe/Monika Lirio** Judy Roe: there were 13 donations during December 2023 (\$2,260) with most of the money from the Nicholas Fund (Nancy Young class of '65). There were 26 donations during January 2024 (\$4,345) with most of the money from the Loomis Foundation which represents Betty/Charles Loomis class of '39. Judy Roe suggested that someone write articles for the Totem II about the Nicholas Fund and the Loomis Foundation along with an expression of gratitude for their generosity. She expressed concern about the total number of scholarship donations diminishing over the years: **2023** 158, **2022** 242, **2021** 281.

Scholarship Chair Monika Lirio is very grateful to learn from Colin Sands (representing Dave Morgan '50) that a yearly donation of up to a total of \$50,000 is being offered for annual scholarship awards to a boy and a girl graduate of LHS. The annual donation can continue for an indefinite period. These two annual scholarship awards are to be "need based". Monika Lirio explained information from FAFSA and SAI would help in evaluations. These two scholarships would be in addition to the existing LLAA scholarship program.

## **E. Special Orders**

1. Approval of appointed positions

Judy Roe - Recording Secretary; Website Chair

**Steve LaVergne - Financial Secretary** 

Linda Ungar Strock - Member-at-Large/All Class Luncheon Liaison; Database Chair

Monika Aiken Lirio - Member-at-Large/Scholarship Committee Chair

Monica Fosmire Weber - Totem II Editor

Verna Sorlie Rossevelt - Historian/Archivist

Jan Trokey Gerk - Merchandise Chair

**Jackie Bauer King - TBD** 

**James Raptis - Nominating Committee Chair** 

Motion to approve listed appointed positions made by Monika Lirio seconded by James Raptis. PASSED.

Jackie King wishes to continue supporting the Board however the exact position that she may hold has not been completely named or defined yet.

2. Approval of Lloyd Kinner '52 as Class Rep

Motion to approve LLAA Lloyd Kinner as Class Rep for class of 1952 made by Steve LaVergne seconded by Linda Strock. PASSED.

3. Approval of Jim Philbrick '75 as Class Co-Rep

Motion to approve Jim Philbrick as Class Co-Rep for class of 1975 made by Monika Lirio seconded by Linda Strock. PASSED. Jim will join the current Class Rep Sue Riney.

#### F. New Business

1. Adoption of 2024 Meeting Schedule – Recommendation of Executive Committee

Saturday, January 27, Saturday, February 24, Saturday, March 23, Saturday, April 27, Saturday, April 27, 10:30 am at the Fremont Public Library 10:30 am at the Northgate Public Library 10:30 am at Northgate Public Library

Saturday May 25, 10:30 am Saturday June 22, 10:30 am Saturday September 28, 10:30 am

Saturday Oct. 26 Annual Business Meeting (elect Vice President, Treasurer) 10:30 am

Saturday November 23, 10:30 am

Motion to approve LLAA 2024 Board Meeting Schedule made by James Raptis seconded by by Steve LaVergne. PASSED.

Approval of 2023 Year End Financials – Jackie King for Lynne Emmons
 Motion to approve LLAA 2023 Year End Financials made by Suzanne Lundquist seconded by Linda Strock. PASSED.

The net income for 2023 was \$5,836.19. Membership Dues Income dropped from \$20,585.00 in 2022 to \$11,440.00 in 2023.

3. Adoption of 2024 Annual Budget (Recommendation of Executive Committee) – Jackie King for Lynne Emmons

There was a suggestion to reduce the Sponsorship expense from \$500 to \$0 and increase Membership Management from \$60 to \$250. The sponsorships have not produced the desired participation and recognition for the LLAA organization. There needs to be money in Membership Management to help the Board increase membership and participation in LLAA.

Motion to approve LLAA 2024 Annual Budget (with suggested changes) made by Monika Lirio seconded by Jan Gerk. PASSED.

4. Proposal to move funds in LLAA Historic Preservation Fund to the budget for All Class Luncheon

This proposal was tabled pending questions for the Treasurer. For example, Jackie King wants to know what the Special Fund within Key Bank Checking represents.

## G. Comments for the good of the order and adjournment

- All Class Luncheon June 8<sup>th</sup> 2024, Nile Shrine Center "The 3R's: Return, Reconnect, and Reminisce"
  - Jackie King requested help with the graphics for the ACL's website announcement, ACL post card mailing, and the luncheon brochure. Nancy Fox has retired. Monika Lirio offered to find help. Jackie King has contact information for the company that has created the LLAA post card (LLAA provided the graphics) in the past.
  - Linda Strock reviewed the plans and costs for the upcoming luncheon. This
    information was also provided in the <u>Board Minutes for January 27<sup>th</sup></u>. Nile Shrine
    Center notified LLAA that the discounts and credit offered this year will not be
    offered again.
- Jim Philbrick asked how is LLAA engaging the recent LHS graduates, does LHS have a newspaper, does LLAA advertise in the LHS newspaper?
  - Jackie King explained representatives of LLAA attended, for instance, the LHS Senior Breakfast. This year 153 graduates signed up for the free one-year membership in LLAA during this event.
  - Jackie King also answered the question about the LHS newspaper by describing the Lincoln Log. James Philbrick suggested LLAA advertise in the Lincoln Log to draw in more graduates.
  - Monika Lirio remarked that LLAA has visibility at various LHS events. One Board member, James Raptis, is a LHS wrestling coach and other Board members attend LHS events. LHS events are advertised in the LLAA website and LLAA Facebook pages.

Next Board meeting: Saturday March 23, 2024, 10:30 am Northgate Public Library, 10548 Fifth Ave. N.E.

Respectfully submitted by: Judy Armstrong Roe '64, LLAA Recording Secretary