

LINCOLN LYNX ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Saturday, March 19, 2022 10:00 via Zoom

ATTENDEES (15): *Co-President Jackie King '67; Co-President, Class Rep, Totem II Editor Monica Weber '73; Vice President, Paver and Luncheon Committee Suzanne Lundquist '63; Financial Secretary Steve LaVergne '60; Recording Secretary, Website Chair, Database Backup, Scholarship Scribe Judy Roe '64; Class Rep, Treasurer Lynne Emmons '71; Class Rep, All Class Luncheon Liaison, Database Chair Linda Strock '62; Class Rep James Raptis '80; Class Rep Wally Green '60; Class Co-Rep/Scholarship Committee Chair Monika Lirio '79; Class Rep Cheryl Brush '77; Scholarship Committee Chair, Class Co-Rep Monika Lirio '79; Paver Committee Chair Sandy Smith '57; Class Rep, Historian/Archivist Verna Rossevelt '66; Member Michele Henderson '64.* There was a quorum of at least 10 Board members.

I. **Welcome!**

II. **Motion to Approve Minutes**

Motion to Approve LLAA Board Meeting Minutes of February 19, 2022 made by Wally Green seconded by Suzanne Lundquist. **PASSED**

III. **Reports**

a. **Class Reps**

- **James Raptis '80 (wrestling coach at LHS)** reported the wrestling team will have their first banquet in 3 years at Meridian Park on March 27th.
- **Steve LaVergne** told the story that Abe Lincoln was a successful competitive wrestler who lost only one match.
- **Monika Lirio** wondered if LLAA could use donation of items from Mark Shotwell '79 in memory of his wife Elisa Lim Shotwell '79 who was a cheerleader.
- **Verna Rossevelt's** report indicated that her class of '66 is meeting monthly to plan a 55+1 reunion for October at Ivar's Salmon House on Lake Union.
- **Linda Strock's** class is having their 60th reunion at the Nile on August 17th.
- **Suzanne Lundquist** continues to meet with a few class members at 10AM each Saturday via ZOOM.
- **Cheryl Brush** is trying to determine how many in class of '77 wish to have a reunion this year.
- **Sandy Smith** reminded the Board that her class of '57 is having their 65th reunion in Edmonds Park on September 15th.

b. **Membership – Steve LaVergne/Jackie King**

1. **Steve - Report on membership numbers:** mentioned there are 1161 memberships ('MBR') and 49 lifers ('LF'). He processed 60 payment checks on March 12th and all but 2 were for memberships.
2. **Jackie:** sent 206 emails & 40 letters (these reminders were about expired membership Nov '21 to Mar '22).

c. **Scribe – Scholarship Donations – Judy Roe:** created and sent 21 thank you

notes for February donations that totaled \$3345. The largest donation was \$2000 from the Loomis Foundation in memory of Charles and Betty Loomis '39.

- d. **Historian/Archivist – Verna Rossevelt** ([click here for report](#))
- e. **Pavers – Sandy Smith:** is waiting for Steve LaVergne to send the information pertaining to a small number of recent paver orders.
- f. **Merchandise – Merry Pritchard:** Jackie King is going to call her for status.

IV. **Scholarship Committee – Monika Lirio**

- a. **Application review meeting info (May 7th):** four committee members have replied yes to the meeting invitation: Jackie King, Suzanne Lundquist, Monica Weber, Monika Lirio. No applications have been received yet.
- b. **Madison VanAvery – SAT issue:** Monika Lirio (with support from the Scholarship Committee) recommends not accepting an application without the SAT scores. There have recently been at least 7 opportunities to take the SAT exam and Monika found several other notable scholarship donation websites (examples: fastweb.com and scholarships.com) that likewise still require SAT scores.

A change for this year is the fact 3 scholarship awards will go to graduating Lincoln seniors and 12 scholarship awards will go to graduating seniors who are lineal descendants of Lincoln graduates. In previous years, scholarship awards only went to graduating seniors who are lineal descendants of Lincoln graduates.

Separately, a couple questions were asked: are descendants of LHS employees eligible for the scholarships (answer no) and does “higher education” include trade schools (answer yes)?

- c. **Revise wording:** Jackie King discussed a need to revise the wording in Scholarships web page and Scholarships Guidelines so they are consistent with each other and the AOI. The wording in question is in the “Purpose” statements.

V. **Motion to approve the LLAA Scholarship Program & Guidelines 2022** ([click here](#)) **made by Monika Lirio seconded by Linda Strock. PASSED**

- VI. **2021 Financial Audit – Monika Lirio:** met with Suzanne Lundquist and Lynne Emmons on February 27th at Lynne’s house. Everything was in order. Monika reviewed all the 2021 records of the organization.

- VII. **All Class Luncheon (June 4th “Don’t Count the Years...Count the Memories”) – Linda Strock and Suzanne Lundquist Luncheon report:** 2022-23 LHS Associated Student Body President, Kion Eslamy, will provide cookies at a cost of \$1 each. The cookies each be wrapped and will most likely be presented as a thank you when the alumni leave the luncheon. Linda will follow-up with the Nile concerning rules on bringing food into the luncheon to see if we can give a wrapped gift.

- a. **Proof of COVID vaccination** will be required.
- b. **Change in mask requirement:** “Regarding masks, we follow CDC/WA State guidelines If there are no restrictions in June, then masks are optional.”

VIII. Totem II – Monica Weber

- a. **Report on spring issue:** all class and cover articles have been submitted to Nancy Fox. Waiting for several more items from Jackie King: Beyond the Reef Report, President’s column, scholarships information. The front page will clearly display the **deadline for scholarship applications is May 1st.**

IX. LLAA & LHS Senior Engagement 2022 – Monica Weber/Jackie King/Monika Lirio
click here to see the brochure which describes the free membership offer

- a. **Offer was changed to two options: Paver \$75 and 1 yr free membership OR 1 yr free membership-- variety of ideas were discussed:** add a ‘FM1’ code to indicate the 2022 graduate has signed up for a free membership, complete the brochure that Monica Weber could present to the seniors so they have instructions about how to order the free membership (and/or order the \$75 paver) and they know the benefits of joining LLAA, add a separate box for the online paver payment within MyAccount web page (get estimate from HMD).

Judy Roe mentioned that HMD should be given complete requirements for the ‘FM1’ code and she itemized examples: free membership should only be allowed to select ‘Electronic’ delivery of the Totem II, the ‘FM1’ code should be added to all the Administration reports and functions that run off of the membership status, add an edit that would designate ‘FM1’ is just available for 2022 graduates, etc. The complete requirements are necessary for HMD to give an accurate estimate of cost and avoid errors and under-estimating.

Monica Weber expressed concern that the cost and level of effort may exceed the benefit: potentially only a few seniors sign up.

- b. **Do we only offer “free memberships” to 2022 graduates up until June 15th?**
Several expressed support for this idea though one Board member indicated that while the deadline for the paver order has to be June 15th the free membership could have a later deadline.
- c. **Will need to have HMD change the web screens so that “Terms” includes a new code (such as “FM1”) rather than selecting number of years, and the 2022 graduates (or if we want to use in the future to offer a free membership) can be instructed to use this code.**
The ‘FM1’ code, according to Jackie, would be a new membership status. Jackie King is going to request estimates from Handmade Designs (HMD).
- d. **Brochure to be given to LHS to distribute to graduating seniors.**

- X. **Website Changes- Judy Roe/Jackie King**
 - a. **Recent update/changes to web pages** ([click here for report](#))

 - b. **Suggestion: Add alumni email address to the emailed list of classmates who made dues/scholarship donations:** Jackie will request an estimate from HMD.

- XI. **Miscellaneous Business**
 - a. **Suggestion: Meet at Edmonds Waterfront Center for April meeting (cost:\$75).**
Jackie is looking into room availability.

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NEXT MEETING Saturday, April 23, 2022 10AM

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Armstrong Roe '64, LLAA Recording Secretary