

**LINCOLN LYNX ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**  
**BOARD MEETING AGENDA**  
 Saturday, March 20, 2021 10:00 via Zoom

**ATTENDEES (11):** *President Jackie King '67; Vice President, Paver Committee Suzanne Lundquist '63; Financial Secretary Steve LaVergne '60; Recording Secretary, Website Chair, Database Backup Judy Roe '64; Class Rep, All Class Luncheon Liaison, Database Chair Linda Strock '62; Member At Large/Paver Committee Sandy Smith '57; Class Rep, Nominating Committee Chair James Raptis '80; Former Class Rep Don Ford '49; Class Rep Merry Barr (Pritchard) '74; Class Rep, Totem II Editor, Hall of Fame Chair Monica Weber '73; Class Rep Monika Lirio '79. There was a quorum of at least 10 Board members.*

**I. Welcome!**

- II. Motion to Approve LLA Board Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2021 made by Suzanne Lundquist seconded by James Raptis. PASSED**

**III. Reports**

**a. Class Reps**

- Monika Lirio's class of '79 is holding off on meetings due to COVID.
- Merry Barr (Pritchard) announced one couple from her '79 class recently became engaged (Carla Raulston and John Darrow). Carla is moving from Palm Springs, CA to Vancouver, WA.
- James Raptis '80 reported John Diego who had a heart attack is out of a month long stay at Harborview Hospital.
- Monica Weber '73 went to Florida to visit a classmate who just turned 65.
- Linda Strock's class of '62 will soon start meeting via ZOOM to plan their 60<sup>th</sup> reunion.

- b. Luncheon Committee** – Linda Strock has been watching Facebook comments pertaining to the cancellation of the LLA 2021 All Class Luncheon. Most agree this is a smart choice however some in the class of '55 expressed disappointment. The class of '63 had quite a few comments. They may meet at Golden Gardens this summer.

- c. Paver Committee** – Sandy Smith and Suzanne Lundquist met at LHS and counted 301 unengraved/available pavers. The deadline to order pavers for engraving this year is June 15<sup>th</sup>.

**d. Scholarship Committee – Monika Aiken Lirio**

**New 2021 Scholarship Application and Guidelines uploaded to website** (2021 submittal deadline May 1)

Suzanne Lundquist recommended Darrell Posch '62 as a potential member for the committee and will send Darrell's contact information to Monika Lirio

Sandy Smith commented that she believes the 2021 Scholarship Application should be removed from the website after awards are made so no one tries to use an outdated version.

- e. **Totem II (March 5 deadline)** – Monica Weber has received many articles on time for the next issue of Totem II. She expressed gratitude that Steve LaVergne contributed three articles and some 2016 scholarship recipients answered her call for “What are you doing now?”
- f. **Historian/Archivist** – (Verna Rossevelt not present) Judy Roe reported that she did research to determine if the LHS annuals are available in digital format. The annuals were found in ancestry.com. Judy Roe contacted Verna Rossevelt who needs the annuals for research projects. Similar to Linda Strock and Judy Roe, Verna Rossevelt has an ancestry.com account.
- g. **Merchandise – Bev Washburn** (no report)
- h. **Membership** – Steve LaVergne indicated the membership count is 1188.
- i. **Scribe – Scholarship Donations** – Judy Roe sent out thank you notes to the 24 alumni who contributed during February. Due to a generous donation from Mary Johnson, the scholarship income is ahead of budget by \$9,599.

**IV. Presentation of 2020 Financial Audit Review** – Suzanne Lundquist & Monika Lirio reviewed their report (available on request from Monika Lirio). A few highlights from the report: the signer for the Heritage Annuity was transitioned to Lynne Emmons (Treasurer), a refund has been requested by Lynne Emmons due to an over payment to Pacific Publishing of \$327.26, the installed pavers after taxes cost LLAA \$42 each, the scholarship awarded to Connor Kauffman for the U of Minn. was returned because he ended up not attending, and storage unit rental has increased from \$251 to \$265 per month.

**Motion to approve the Financial Audit Report made by Steve LaVergne seconded by Linda Strock. PASSED**

**V. Presentation of Financials – Jackie King** (Lynne Emmons not present)  
Membership dues are up by about \$1000, scholarship donations are up by about \$10000, and in memoriam donations are up by \$645. The money available for scholarships and operations remains healthy.

**Motion to Approve February 2021 Financials made by Linda Strock seconded by Suzanne Lundquist. PASSED**

## VI. Membership Recruitment – Jackie King

- a. Expired MBR were unfortunately changed to Frmr prior to sending out the last Totem II. Jackie King realizes she should have waited so more MBR would have gotten the Totem II (about 94 were set to Frmr).
- b. Emails were sent to class reps by the system so they would know which memberships had expired.
- c. Jackie King sent emails and letters to all members with expired membership and who are from the Orphan classes (no class rep).
- d. Revised Membership Application was posted to website and sent to class reps.

## VII. 2021 Projects

**a. Credit cards – survey of membership re: change to Visa/MC or stay with PayPal?** – Survey software (according to Jackie King) will cost a minimum of \$200 per year. Judy Roe suggested contacting Heidi Leben at Handmade Designs to determine if Visa/MC can be **added** as a payment method instead of replacing the PayPal payment. Queen Anne Alumni Association offers PayPal and credit card payment options. Jackie King will talk to Queen Anne to determine technically which software they use for their payment application. Monika Lirio mentioned applications such as Flagship allow both PayPal and credit card.

### **b. Selling enhanced photos of individual pavers – (John Shackelford’s ‘61 idea)**

1. Linda Strock will send example photos to Monica Weber.
2. James Raptis volunteered to help with taking photos.
3. How to market the photos? Who will take the orders? Who will take photos?  
After some discussion about what to do, the Board (per a request from Monika Lirio) asked Monica Weber to prepare prototype(s) and proposed pricing for the enhanced paver photos. This information is to be presented at a future Board meeting. The Board acknowledged that Monica Weber has a full load being class rep and editor of the Totem II.

### **c. New Scholarship Program – Proposed Changes for 2022 Application & Guidelines**

Don Ford discussed various questions/concerns: should there be two application forms, (one for lineal descendants and one for current LHS graduates), should there be two committees, what is the definition of lineal descendants, what are maximum and minimum number of scholarships to be granted each year, what is the maximum and minimum amount of money to be awarded each year, what are the criteria to have for selecting scholarship recipients, should both trade schools and academic schools be covered, to increase revenue should another type of “membership” be added for LHS supporters? Answers to these questions will provide clarity and transparency and should be decided by January 2022.

Don Ford provided prototypes for the 2022 Scholarship Application and 2022 Scholarship Guidelines and emphasized that since the number of applicants will exceed the number of scholarships the new program (unlike the current program) will be quite competitive.

**d. LLAA & Lincoln High School Senior Engagement 2021-22 – Jackie King**

1. Approximately 170 graduating seniors in 2022: Christy Neuschwander (LHS Activity Director) mentioned that LHS has selected their liaison for LLAA.
2. The LLAA budget for the Senior Engagement Committee is \$500.
3. Jackie King asked Monika Lirio to consider being the chairperson.

**e. Update By-Laws** – Don Ford reminded the Board the 2016 By-Law changes which are inconsistent with the Articles of Incorporation are illegal. For example, stipulations of when and how the By-laws can be amended are inconsistent. Don Ford and Jackie King are going through the By-Laws and deleting the 2016 passages that are in conflict with the Articles of Incorporation. In addition, they are making language/word choice changes.

**f. How to recruit more volunteers** – Monica Weber’s suggestion is “FEED THEM”: provide food and be sure to advertise the food prior to any meeting.

**IX. Outstanding Standing Chairs to be filled**

**New Scholarship Program Chair: Don Ford ’49** is tentatively considering this and has already provided many suggestions. Cheryl Brush and Beverly McNair agreed to serve on this committee.

**LLAA & LHS Senior Engagement 2021-22: Monika Lirio ’79** is tentatively thinking about it and mentioned that she even now has access to information through the very active LHS Parent Teacher Association and through her daughter who is a department head at LHS.

***YOUR HELP/IDEAS ARE NEEDED. PLEASE SAVE THE DATE:***

**Board meeting Saturday April 17, 2021 at 10AM via ZOOM**

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Judy Armstrong Roe ’64, LLAA Recording Secretary**