

LINCOLN LYNX ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

BOARD MEETING Minutes

Saturday, September 18, 2021 10:00 via Zoom

ATTENDEES (15): *President Jackie King '67; Vice President, Paver Committee Suzanne Lundquist '63; Former President Jack McKay '57; Financial Secretary Steve LaVergne '60; Class Rep, Totem II Editor, Former President Monica Weber '73; Recording Secretary, Website Chair, Database Backup, Scholarship Scribe Judy Roe '64; Class Rep All Class Luncheon Liaison, Database Chair Linda Strock '62; Class Rep, Nominating Committee Chair James Raptis '80; Class Rep, Treasurer Lynne Emmons '72; Class Rep, Scholarship Committee Cheryl Brush '77; Member at Large, Paver Committee Sandy Smith '57; Class Rep Dixie Hughes '57; Class Rep, Merchandise Chair Merry Pritchard '74; Class Rep, Scholarship Committee Bev McNair '64; Former Class Rep Don Ford '49. 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 June 19, 2021 made by Steve LaVergne seconded by Linda Strock PASSED

III. Reports

a. Class Reps

- i. Linda Strock's class ('62) is discussing whether or not to have a 60 year reunion during 2022. The venue may be the Nile Shriners in Montlake Terrace which requires attendance of at least 100 for the big room. Due to uncertainty about how many would really attend, an email to the class will be sent to ask 'what are your thoughts?'
- ii. Jackie King reported for the class of '66: they have postponed their reunion and are actively planning for a 2022 event.
- iii. Monica Weber '73 hosted a 'kegger' at her house which resulted in a few more LLAA memberships. About 40 attended. She also played in a golf tournament with several classmates. In response to a question about the recent reunion for '71, Monica offered to talk with Rose Forinash '71 who may have attended.
- iv. Beverly McNair '64 is working on an article about a classmate who was an art critic.
- v. Cheryl Brush '77 and classmates are thinking about their 45th reunion which will probably be a picnic. She asked Seattle Times reporter, Erik Lacitis, to write a story about the evolution of Lincoln High. This could get publicity for LHS and possibly the LLAA scholarship fund. Erik is from the class of '67.
- vi. Dixie Hughes '57 provided a few old Totem issues to Historian Verna Rossevelt. Dixie occasionally sends out a 'joke list' email to classmates.
- vii. James Raptis '80 had to cancel a reunion due to COVID-19.
- viii. Don Ford '49 led a discussion regarding how to help Mary Johnson '40 celebrate her 100th birthday. He plans to interview Mary Johnson. Jackie King wants to be sure that Diane Cashman, the LLAA liaison with

LHS, is involved with any plans which involves the LHS students.

- ix. Lynne Emmons '72 is planning their 50th reunion to be at the Shoreline Elks Club on August 27th 2022. The class of '79 had a reunion there and gave Lynne a positive review.
 - x. Merry Pritchard '74 saw a few classmates while at a casino recently.
- b. Luncheon Committee – Linda Strock (Suzanne Lundquist and Judy Roe) –**
Nothing new.
- c. Paver Committee – Sandy Smith and Suzanne Lundquist** The most recent batch of 56 pavers were installed August 26th-27th. Five of the 56 were no charge engravings designed to resolve errors. The number of engraved pavers sold since 2019 is 857. According to Suzanne Lundquist, there are a couple hundred more pavers available for engraving. Quiring Monument requires 40 pavers minimum per batch. Linda Strock emphasized that alumni still want pavers. Sandy Smith thanked Linda Strock for helping them with the paver project.
- d. Totem II – Monica Weber** The deadline for the next issue is November 5th. Several mentioned they liked the interesting content, format, and font of the last issue. The paper was lighter weight and easier to handle. The last issue was printed by Snohomish Publishing which replaced Pacific Publishing.
- e. Historian/Archivist – Verna Rossevelt** Here is the written report ([click here](#)). Once again, the team agreed: Verna 'does a heck of a job'. Jackie King mentioned that Verna Rossevelt should receive more copies of the LLAA Totem II to be available in the LHS Alumni Room. Since Steve LaVergne receives 100 copies and he sometimes has extras, it was suggested the remaining copies be regularly given to Verna so LLAA can avoid ordering more.
- f. Merchandise – Merry Pritchard** Nothing new.
- g. Membership – Steve LaVergne** There are 1214 members.
- h. Scribe – Scholarship Donations – Judy Roe** The number of donations coming each month is declining. For instance, last June 2021 there were just 15 (\$600) donations whereas a year ago there were 52 (\$1975) donations during June 2020.
- i. Nominating Committee Chair – James Raptis**
What are our options for fulfilling the position of president? Prior to the meeting Judy Roe asked Jackie King to review the By-Laws to determine if the position of President could be shared (president and a co-president). Jackie King

determined that co-president is allowed by the By-Laws. Monica Weber agreed to run as co-president with Jackie King. Both names would be on the ballot. They will work together and create a list of responsibilities for each position. The list of responsibilities will be presented at the Annual Business Meeting and election which occurs on October 23rd.

- IV. Motion to Approve LLAA-LHS Senior Engagement Chair**
Motion to approve Diane Smith Cashman ('68) as LLAA-LHS Senior Engagement Chair made by Monica Weber seconded by Sandy Smith. PASSED
- V. Diane Smith Cashman – Report** Nothing new.
- VI. Membership Recruitment – Jackie King**
- a. **Reminder emails for Jan. to Oct. membership expirations (145) were sent out**
 - b. **Current members with expired memberships = 112: [click here](#).** Quite a few are from the class of '56 so Jackie King will send the list to the class rep, Ginny Munn. Other class reps at the meeting agreed to contact their classmates with expired membership.
- VII. Update on University House Meetings – Oct, Nov – Jackie King** Due to the Delta variant of COVID-19, meetings at University House are currently not possible. There may be an Executive Committee meeting in December to review the proposed budget for 2022.
- VIII. Presentation of Financial Statements and Annuity Disposition – Lynne Emmons**
 Income from membership dues is down \$3800. One donation of \$1000 was designated 'for operations' and is showing in the financials in a 'Miscellaneous' category. Lynne Emmons discussed a few options with regard to the annuity which has reached maturity. Lynne Emmons recommended cashing out.
Motion to approve cashing out the annuity and put the money into the scholarship portion of the Key Bank savings made by Lynne Emmons and seconded by James Raptis. PASSED.
- IX. 2021 Projects**
- a. **Add Credit card option to PayPal account – Jackie King and Judy Roe**
 The credit card payment option is now available. To accomplish this, Treasurer Lynne Emmons changed a setting in the LLAA PayPal account. During testing it was noticed that donations done from the Scholarship web page are not automatically added to the LLAA Payments. This problem has existed even before credit card payment was implemented. The current solution is for Steve LaVergne to continue to monitor payments (he receives an email for each

online payment) and if it is not in the LLAA Payments Report Steve will manually add the payment into the LLAA database. As suggested by Jackie King, eventually there should be new online scholarship donation web page(s). HMD would do the technical component and therefore LLAA would need to create a mockup of the new scholarship donation screen(s) and request an estimate from HMD prior to seeking (from the Board) authorization for the work.

b. Selling Enhanced Photos of Individual Pavers – ('61 John Shackelford's idea)

1. **Is this still up for discussion due to quality of some pavers?** There is a general consensus that the quality of the pavers is not good enough for photos.

c. New Scholarship Program

1. **Proposed 2022 Scholarship Guidelines and Application** These will be reviewed during the November meeting.

2. **Formation of 2022 Scholarship Committee (volunteers needed)**

Right now, the LLAA Board is not looking for a new Scholarship Program Chair.

What the Board needs are committee members to look and evaluate the new scholarship program as it relates to the new graduating seniors and lineal descendants.

For example, can the Committee get LHS administration

to make the initial recommendation of perhaps 10 LHS graduating senior scholarship candidates for the Committee to review so the Committee will not have to look at over 100 applications in addition to the lineal descendants?

How many LHS graduating seniors should be awarded scholarships?

The Committee needs to create a plan and recommendation to the Board.

The Committee can choose a Chair. Jackie King is going to ask Monika Lirio '79 and Darrell Posch '62 to join the Committee. Cheryl Brush and Bev McNair are already committee members. Don Ford and Monica Weber also expressed interest in joining.

Don Ford recommended that the Committee create specific selection criteria so the graduating seniors would 'self-select' (decide if they are a viable candidate) and this could reduce the number of applicants.

- d. **Update By-Laws – Don Ford and Jackie King** After the election, this is one of the tasks that Jackie King intends to tackle.

- e. **How to Recruit More Volunteers – Everyone** Nothing new.

X. Unfilled Standing Chairs

New Scholarship Program Chair

SAVE THE DATE Annual Business Meeting (Elect President)

Saturday October 23, 2021 10AM via ZOOM

The Minutes for current and past years will 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