

Lincoln Lynx Alumni Association Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes ril 26, 2025 – Seattle Public Library Northgate Branch and ZO

April 26, 2025 –Seattle Public Library Northgate Branch and ZOOM Link

ATTENDEES (12): President, Class Rep, Totem II Editor Monica Weber '73; Former President, Membership Chair, Scholarship Chair, Jackie King '67; Treasurer, Class Rep Lynne Emmons '72; Recording Secretary, Website Chair, Scholarship Scribe Judy Roe '64; Class Rep, All Class Luncheon Liaison, Database Chair Linda Strock '62; Class Co-Rep, Financial Secretary Monika Lirio '79; Class Rep James Raptis '80; Class Rep Norm Bolotin '69; Class Co- Rep Tim Barr '74; Class Rep Paul Limb '71; Class Rep Dixie Hughes '57; Former Class Rep, Member Don Ford '49. The required quorum for 10 Board members was met.

A. Call to Order

- 1. Welcome, sign in, introductions
- 2. Flag Salute
- B. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion to approve the March 22, 2025 Agenda made by Linda Strock seconded by Lynne Emmons. PASSED.

C. Approval of March 22, 2025 Minutes

Motion to approve the March 22, 2025 Minutes made by Monika Lirio seconded by James Raptis. PASSED.

D. Reports

- 1. Class Rep Reports
 - Dixie Hughes '57 reminded the Board that her class is having another annual reunion at <u>Edmonds</u> <u>City Park</u> on September 11, 2025.
 - Tim Barr '74 and other classmates met at <u>Mazatlán Restaurant</u>, Mountlake Terrace, to remember classmate Ken Bowen who suddenly passed away at the age of 68.
 - James Raptis '80 is planning to attend an August 9th memorial for Bev Washburn which will be in Wenatchee.
 - Paul Limb '71 continues to meet with classmates to plan a get together for September 6, 2025 at Cheryl Miller's house (near Granite Falls).
 - Monika Lirio '79 attended a birthday gathering for Julie Poole '81 at the Mountlake Terrace Mazatlán Restaurant.
 - Monica Weber '73 has been meeting with friends from Hamilton Junior High. Instead of the usual annual kegger that she hosts each year for the class of '73 she is planning a 70th birthday party. The venue that Monica is considering is the <u>Lake City Elks</u>. Other class reps have used that Elks venue. There was a discussion about various costs.
- 2. Treasurer's Report Lynne indicated finances remain healthy. There is a significant amount reserved for scholarships. One source of income is a CD which earned about \$900 in interest this year and will mature in May. The Board advised her to renew the CD when it matures.
- **3. Financial Secretary's Report Monika** reviewed scholarship, dues, and All Class Luncheon income. Over 70 alumni have already signed up for the All-Class Luncheon.
- 4. Membership Report Jackie sent out 90 emails and 23 USPS letters to remind the 113 members who have recently expired membership status to renew their membership. LLAA has 777 paid members and 23 lifers. Jackie explained that: renewal payment can be done by merely mailing in a check for \$20 (completed form is not required) and the PayPal option *does allow payment by credit card* even if a person does not have a PayPal account. Jackie noted that if you pay with a check it should be mailed to the LLAA Treasurer (P.O. Box 31056 Seattle, WA 98103-1056).
- **5.** Scholarship Donations Judy sent out 8 thank you notes for the March scholarship donations that totaled \$230. This amount is less than the March 2024 totals which were 25 donations totaling \$1,115.

- **6.** Scholarship Committee Report Jackie received several emails indicating disappointment about the requirement for SAT scores.
- 7. Luncheon Committee Report Linda listed some of the added expenses that Aurora Borealis Restaurant will charge. It was noted that over 70 have already registered and this is considerably more than the 39 registrations received last year at this time. Monika Lirio described the <u>Cars and Coffee</u> classic car event that occurs each Saturday morning (8AM-10AM) at the <u>Aurora Borealis Restaurant</u>. The car event could attract more members to the luncheon.
- **8.** *Totem II* **Report Monica** advised the Board to send requests for paper copies to her since she has the spare paper copies and the envelopes/postage needed for mailing.

E. Special Orders

 Tribute to the late 1943 Class Rep. Jean Murray Wren – Monica reported Jean passed away on December 4, 2024. Her son, Joe, will continue to submit the Totem II column for the class of '43. The Board talked about fond memories and their admiration of Jean's long-term commitment to her class of '43 and LLAA.

F. Old Business

1. <u>All Class Luncheon</u> (June 7, 2025 10:30AM)

- **a. Feedback** many attendees want to know who else has registered. Monica suggested posting a weekly link on the website that will list the names of those who have registered.
- b. Concerns Linda described the setup. Alumni will be in two rooms separated by glass wall. About 13 round tables each seating 8 need to be rented, however quite a few long tables and chairs will be provided. Tablecloths and napkins each have separate costs. Monica will verify that Jan Lopes, Merchandise Chair, can attend.
- 2. Scholarships
 - **a. Feedback** Jackie and Monica explained why the SAT scores are required. For instance, Jackie has found research indicating a good SAT score is correlated with successfully completing the first year of higher education. Former high school teacher Monica voiced concerns about using just grades to evaluate an applicant due to the increase in "grade inflation".
 - **b.** Award Amount the discussion and vote were delayed until next meeting.

3. Totem II

a. Feedback – Monica received praise for the attractive layout and substantial content that was delivered on time.

G. New Business

1. Scholarships – the Scholarship Committee will meet on May 10th at <u>Broadview Branch</u> of Seattle Public Library 11AM-2PM to review the applications. The last batch of mail contains 5 applications.

Motion to approve the Scholarship Committee members (Jim Philbrick, Linda Strock, Monica Weber, James Raptis) made by Lynne Emmons seconded by Linda Strock. PASSED.

H. Comments for the good of the order -Monica showed the new merchandise including a variety of baseball shirts, zippered hoody sweat jackets, baseball caps (see page 27 of the online <u>Totem II</u>). In order to hold down costs just 18 of each were ordered. Monica distributed LLAA pens as door prizes.

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