

Langley High School PTSA
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday March 2, 2022

In attendance: Clare Bradshaw, Jamie Loving, Julie Hohl, Kitty Gonzalez, Jack Che, Heather Murphy Capps, Christine Mancino, Mary Kunkemueller, Robyn Smith, Julie DeLong, Melissa Schwartz, Annette Bellino, Bill Andrle, Jackie Grayer, Kristen Simko

Meeting called to order at 9:42am

Motion to Approve February 9th, 2022, Executive Board Meeting Minutes-Motion Approved by Bill Andrle and Heather Murphy Capps. All Approved. Minutes Approved.

President's Report:

- Nominating Committee-Committee has been working hard to identify potential candidates, contact them and explain the various board positions. The committee is lead by Kristen Simko and Melissa Schwartz. Thank you to them and the other nominating committee members- Christine Mancino, Kathy Carey, Amanda Clark, Rehenuma Asmi, and Jennifer Saleh.
- DEI Committee-Committee has been very busy with the *28 Days of Awareness* that was held throughout the month of February. They compiled a themed list of short videos, readings, and podcasts and posted a link to it on our website so interested people could work through it at their own pace. They also brought in two speakers, Mark Summers and Dani Butler. They will share more details in their report. Thank you to Stefanie Stayin and Heather Murphy Capps.
- Staff Appreciation Committee-Sara Koenig and Misty Johnson had an active month. The appreciation days for staff went over very well. Misty and Sara served a lovely brunch to the cafeteria staff. Jamie, Sara and I handed out snack bags to the bus drivers, who were really excited to receive these treats. Sara and Misty also provided a Mookie's BBQ lunch to the custodians. Each person received a \$10 gift card also. Everyone was thrilled for the attention and most grateful. Next, they will be doing a meal for the front office staff the week of April 11. If anyone would like to help, please let them know.
- Hospitality Committee-Hosted a Mediterranean themed Teacher, Staff, and Administrator luncheon on Friday, February 18th. As usual, the decorations were beautiful, and the food was delicious and very much enjoyed by all who attended. Thank you to all the volunteers and members who helped make this event happen: Amy Adams, Elina Fragiskopoulou, Kitty Gonzalez, Chrissie Lavin, Amanda Clark, Kim Alkas, Allison Varacalli and Jessica Xie, and to Catherine Macleod who is the creative force behind the decorations and co-chairs Hilary Proctor and Ritika Fedewa.

- The 8th Grade Open House and Tour-Took place on Super Bowl Sunday and was a huge success. The game did not keep people away-over 600 students and parents attended. Thank you to Principal Greer and AP Jim Robertson for collaborating with us so that we could bring this event to the rising 9th grade families. Also, thank you the volunteers who agreed to serve as “experienced parents” at the open house, answering questions and soothing anxieties. Jamie Loving, Kelli Baker, Suzanne Davenport, Marie Gordon, Annette Bellino, Sara Koenig, Deb Worden, Kim Buckingham, Helen Miller, and Jill Farah. Also, thank you to Jamie Loving (Jamie’s husband) and Ben and Ryan Bradshaw who inflated the helium balloons.
- March brings not only warmer weather (hopefully) but also meetings and events like Ethics Day, Book Discussions, Art Exhibit, and the Community Yard Sale & Craft Fair. You will hear more about these today, but also check the PTSA calendar and eNews for updates.
- eNews-Please continue to submit blurbs and photos of student accomplishments and things happening in and around Langley.
 - March 9: GMM & Principal Coffee
 - 9am: Principal Coffee Q&A
 - 9:30am: GMM- will announce the Executive Board Slate for 2022-2023
 - 10:30am: Guest Speaker Dranesville School Board Representative Elaine Tholen
 - April 20, 9:30am: Next Executive Board Meeting, in Lecture Hall

Officer’s Report:

- Treasurer- Julie DeLong
 - Review of Budget
 - Many budgeted expenses have been paid this month
 - Dispersed money for DEI for speaker
 - Dispersed money for Saxon Service
 - Winter Luncheon, they are not over budget, there was an issue with a check getting lost in the mail.
 - Appreciation Weeks are approaching the end of her budget. Sara has been so busy with all of her amazing events.
 - ANGP is starting to receive their deposits. Shows they are over budget but that will be reimbursed since they just began their fundraising.
 - Paid PTA dues to Virginia and the National PTA
 - Finally received the acorns and leaves to put on the Legacy Tree. Chrissie has worked very hard to fix the issues that happened before COVID.
 - Incoming: Still have a few memberships that came in. Amazon Smile had a deposit and ANGP is starting to receive deposits as fundraising begins.

- Membership/Fundraising-Melissa Schwartz & Kristen Simko
 - Fundraising
 - Amazon Smile total is \$417 with 3 checks and another coming in May
 - Harris Teeter-We have received almost \$600 through February

- Cause Network has too many clicks to get to the correct shopping cart so are losing people. Melissa will research how other schools are doing this to possibly streamline this.
 - SAT/ACT Virtual Practice Test Fundraisers: 2021-22 School Year (so far) – approximately \$3,400
 - Participation - over 130 students participated in Sept and Jan test events
 - June Practice Test - We are exploring the possibility of having another practice test in June for students planning to test over the Summer
- Membership:
 - Had 3 additional members join.
 - Total of 487 members now. 81% of our goal
 - Donations are over \$60,000. 113% of our goal
 - Virginia PTA Scholarship Program
 - Deadline: March 30th
 - Areas include: College/University Scholarship, Technical Scholarship, Fine Arts Scholarship, Special Education Scholarship
 - Multiple \$500 scholarships available for graduating seniors
 - For more details: <https://www.vapta.org/programs/student-programs/scholarships>
 - Nominating Committee-Review of positions not filled. Key open position is the VP Communications. Rest of the positions are part of committee positions that do not stand alone except for the Special Ed Liaison and Reflections. Chrissie Lavin will stay on in the Courtyard position but would like to have someone with her to learn what she is doing. Family Network and New Family Network can take a co-lead, but it is not the priority. Open House is a brand-new position, and the guidelines are already created so volunteer will know what is expected. 2026 Class Parents are in place-Melissa Schwartz and Alex Fouts. There are a few positions still open in the 2026 Class.
- Appropriations/PDF- Ally Weingast & Heather Murphy Capps
 - 3rd round of meetings is March 16th
 - Deadline for applications is Friday March 11th
 - 2 requests have been received. Both are from the same person
 - Information was sent to Tricia to inform the teachers again.

Committee Reports:

- Safe Community Coalition-Kitty Gonzalez
 - Monday February 28th was a webinar Tips for Talking to your Kids: Getting Past the Silent Treatment:

- It was given by local mental health professionals Mimi Weisberg and Heather Tedesco, dedicated to family communication.
 - Trying to get the webinar on the website for members to view.
 - Next Event April 26th Speaker Author Julie Lythcott-Haims -Throw out the Checklisted Childhood: Tips and Strategies for Raising Successful Kids
 - Will be held at Temple Rodef Shalom the event will be live streamed also
 - Register at www.mcleanscc.org Advance reservations required. Tickets are free.
 - Upcoming Julie Lythcott Haims' book talks:
 - 3/18 @ noon virtual: parent book club How To Raise An Adult (hosted by SCC with local clinical psychologists Dr. Melissa Sporn and Dr. Heather Tedesco. Visit mcleanscc.org for link)
 - 3/23 @ 11am in Langley Lecture Hall: How To Raise An Adult (hosted by LHS Family Network committee; led by school psychologist Anna Davis & school social worker Catherine Kennedy)
 - 4/13 @ 7pm (location TBD): Real American: A Memoir (hosted by LHS PTSA DEI committee)
 - Join Us at SCC. Want to get more involved and make a positive impact across our greater community? Contact Kitty Gonzalez
- Family Network- Julie Hohl
 - Book Talk - Author Jeff Selingo will discuss his book "Who Gets in and Why"
 - Mon, March 21, 7:00pm – 8:30pm Langley High Auditorium
 - In-person event rescheduled from January. Mr. Selingo will be at LHS to discuss his book "Who Gets in and Why." Topics such as the test-optional choice, applying early decision, and creating a balanced lists of colleges are among those that he will cover.
 - Last Saxon Service was on February 18th.
 - 400 students participated with 12 different activities
 - Students gain community service hours.
 - Thank you to all the volunteers and for funding these great events!
 - Next Saxon Service will be on March 24th!
 - Students are encouraged to supply their own ideas of activities in future events!
- New Family Network-Robyn Smith
 - Last event was February 24th. Principle Greer and Julie Hohl had a feedback/check in session. New families had good suggestions how to help get new families involved in more events.
 - Next event-Korean BBQ Lunch on March 25th.
- DEI-Heather Murphy Capps & Stefanie Stayin
 - February was a busy month.
 - 28 Days of Equity Awareness-Friday unpacking sessions were not well attended as they were last year. Possible changes will be made for next year.

- Speaker sessions were well attended.
- Previous speaker Mark Summers, historian and Director of Public & Youth Programs at Historic Jamestowne: discussed the topic of discovering and teaching a more complete history of the United States. <https://youtu.be/HEKejnlyefw>
- Previous speaker Dani Butler of Equality VA, talked about her life story and experiences.
- Connected with McLean High School and have the possibility of having event together in the future.
- DIVERSEartLangley
 - Langley students are invited to get creative for an upcoming art exhibit. DIVERSEartLANGLEY- Students don't have to be enrolled in art classes to enter. submissions are accepted from anyone with an idea to express! Prizes will be awarded to the top three submissions. The art will be exhibited in Langley Hall on March 24 from 6 -7 pm. Following the exhibit, from 7 – 8 pm, we'll have an interactive, moderated discussion in the LHS Library.
 - Submissions can be in any of these forms: photography, painting/drawing, sculpture, architecture (small scale), literature (short stories), music, dance, theatre/film
 - Submissions should engage one or more of these questions: diversity -- What does diversity look like in my community? equity -- What does equity mean to me? Inclusion -- Are you able to be your authentic self and still be safe and accepted?
 - Submission deadline: March 17th or 18th
- ANGP/Community Yard Sale-Annette Bellino for Missy Perkins and Angelique Bennett
 - Spring Community Outdoor Yard Sale & Craft Fair
 - Sunday, March 27 (rain date April 10) 8:00am - 2:00pm
 - Langley High School Parking Lot
 - Reserve a spot (size of 2 parking spaces) for \$30.00
 - So far 23 parking spaces sold
 - Openings still for Vendors, Crafters, and Businesses
 - Many Volunteer Options / Community Service Hours
 - Questions? Contact Annette Bellino at annette.bellino@verizon.net
- Ethics Day-Clare Bradshaw for Kelly Wilson & Jill Farah
 - Wednesday, March 16th The seniors will be asked to drive or be driven to McLean Bible Church no later than 8:30am.
 - Permission slips will be going out shortly. We will have one bus available for any students who cannot find a ride and the bus will be leaving at 8:10am from Langley.
 - Attendance is mandatory and will taken at MBC.
 - We are still in need for Table Leaders as well as help the evening before to set up and help after the event to clean up. Senior parents can help the evening before, lunch or after the event. Danica Alink is coordinating all of the volunteers and her email address is Danica.alink@hotmail.com Please see the Sign-Up Genus link in eNews tomorrow.
 - We will be providing breakfast bars and a lunch for all attendees.

- Students are requested to dress up for this event, “similar to going for a professional interview”. A note will be going home from Principal Greer to the senior parents next week.
- Career Connections-Clare Bradshaw for Leslie Speidel & Sonaal Luthra
 - Career Connections is Langley’s annual Career Fair coordinated by a committee of students and two Langley parents. This year, it will once again be virtual.
 - We are so excited to have to assistance and support of Julie Hohl, who is acting as our staff liaison for the event this year!
 - We also greatly appreciate the help of Dr. Fisher, Technology Specialist, who will be assisting us with Zoom logistics.
 - Career Connections will be held during the Langley Links on TWO separate Green Days: Wednesday April 13th and Tuesday April 19th from 10:30 to 11:14am.
 - We are looking for students who would like to volunteer (and can earn volunteer hours) to help us in setting up and assisting the presenters and managing the breakout rooms. Students will be hearing more about this opportunity on Schoology and social media in the coming weeks.
 - Are you interested in in presenting about your career during Career Connections? The students would love to learn from you! Please contact Sonaal Luthra or Leslie Speidel if you are interested or know of someone who would like to participate. THANK YOU!!
- New Business
 - Update on the Legacy Tree-Chrissie Lavin emailed to say the shipment of all leaves, birds and acorns is scheduled to arrive at her house today. Everything should on the Legacy Tree very soon!
- Motion to Adjourn at 11:28
- Respectfully Submitted By: Jackie Grayer

Langley HS PTSA
2021-2022 Budget vs Actual Spend
As of March 1, 2022

GENERAL FUND	Budget	Actuals	Difference
Sources			
Affiliate Fundraising	2,250	743	(1,507)
Donations	54,000	61,715	7,715
Membership Dues	15,000	13,015	(1,985)
SAT/ACT Practice Test	2,500	3,400	900
Total Sources	73,750	78,873	5,123
Uses			
Programs	(61,525)	(19,876)	41,649
General & Admin	(9,975)	(6,588)	3,387
Total Uses	(71,500)	(26,464)	45,036
General Fund Cash at Beginning of Period	81,955	81,955	
Change from Budgeted General Fund Items	2,250	52,409	
Savings from Appropriations Returned to General Fund		-	
Transfer from General Fund to Appropriations		(12,554)	
Total General Fund	84,205	121,810	
General Fund Available for Future Appropriations and Reserves	84,205	76,774	

EARMARKED FUNDS	Beginning of Year	Current Balance	Amount Spent
Appropriations from General Fund	13,800	15,206	(11,148)
ANGP	-	1,792	(53)
Class of 2020	9,034	9,034	-
Courtyard Fund	4,284	3,330	(3,059)
Langley Cares - 2020-2021 Donations	2,001	1,742	(259)
Total Earmarked	29,119	31,104	(14,518)

Reimbursement/Payment Request

