

**PROPOSED LANGLEY HIGH SCHOOL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
MINUTES  
January 13, 2021**

Meeting called to order at 9:32 am by President Kitty Gonzalez

Meeting held virtually with 59 people in attendance; the meeting slides and recording will be available on the Langley PTSA website for viewing during the 2020-21 school year.

Approval of Minutes – November 18, 2020 – Voted virtually; all approved (29 yes, 0 no, 30 abstain)

President's Report: Kitty Gonzalez

- Big congratulations to Tricia Poythress for winning Langley Outstanding Teacher 2020-2021; Ms. Poythress is the teacher representative to the PTSA
- PTSA Advocacy – the Virginia General Assembly is meeting to reevaluate the state budget and school funding for next year. Visit [vapta.org](http://vapta.org) for ways to get involved
- Langley PTSA is working hard to continue their role in a virtual environment including connecting the Langley Community, supporting our teachers and students, and funding school equipment.
- Thank you to our numerous PTSA volunteers that are continuing to work hard to support Langley and the school community

Officer's Report:

- Membership/Fundraising - Annette Bellino/Kris Simko
  - We currently have 345 family memberships out of our goal of 525 memberships (~65%). There are 1,689 families at Langley
  - Membership is open to parents, students, and staff
  - Congratulations to Linda Campbell and Sylvia Hong who won a Saxon water bottle and car magnet in the membership raffle
  - Practice SAT held last week; great turnout with 175 participants and raised \$4300
  - Virginia PTA scholarship program open to PTSA student members; see [www.vapta.org/programs](http://www.vapta.org/programs) for more information
  - Nominating committee is formed and meeting over the next couple month to fill the officer positions and committee members; Approval to accept the nominating committee member slate – all approved (42 yes, 0 no, 17 abstain)
- Treasurer - Lisa Givens (via Kitty Gonzalez)
  - Reviewed 2020-21 budget summary; bulk of our spending this year has been on school supplies and class equipment
  - Currently evaluating our budget and looking for potential ways to spend remaining budget during this school year

- Appropriations / Professional Development Fund – Jamie Loving / Heather Murphy Capps
  - The window for PDF submissions is open until Jan 15th and the PTSA will be considering the submissions thereafter
  - Successful October appropriations meeting was held to fund instruments for orchestra; currently soliciting requests for upcoming Jan 27<sup>th</sup> appropriations meeting

Committee/Booster Report:

- Career Fair – Lee Ann Brownlee / Suzie Grieco
  - LHS career fair will be held virtually this year; it is a student led initiative and will be held on Monday afternoons to allow all grades to attend
- Ethics Day – Kim Finch / Kelly Wilson
  - Discussed challenges facing the committee in regards to finding a location to host and the difficulties of a virtual atmosphere for group discussion; will most likely have to cancel Ethics Day this year, but will reconsider if any of the state mandates change regarding in person limits
- Family Network - Chrissie Lavin / Kirsten Thompson / Julie Hohl
  - Langley PTSA hosted county wide presentation by Jeffrey Selingo, author of “Who Gets In And Why” on Dec 8<sup>th</sup>; link is located on the Langley PTSA website; Jan 11<sup>th</sup> book discussion via Zoom will be linked on the Langley PTSA website
  - Dec 7<sup>th</sup> food drive for Share was a great success; another will be hosted in March
  - Walk and Talk outings being held at the Langley track and will resume soon once the weather warms up
  - Working on service opportunities for kids in a safe manner to feel connected to each other and the community
- Summer Opportunities Initiative – Wedad Elmaghraby / Amina Khan
  - Targets sophomores and juniors looking for opportunities in enrichment, service, internships, and jobs
  - Webinar component is on hold; working on a database to be compiled; survey conducted indicates there is a strong interest

Meeting adjourned at 10:11am

Guest Speakers: Principal Kim Greer, Dr. Lindsey Fisher, and PTSA volunteer Heather Murphy Capps

Respectfully submitted by Jill Holloman