

**LHS Parent CATS  
Meeting Minutes  
March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023**

President: Megan Huber	Community Outreach Director: Vanessa Stalter
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President: Jenny Quilty	Hospitality Director: Donna Griffin & Christine Merrild
2nd Vice President: Amy Neff	Spirit Store Directors: Megan Huber & Michelle Sieks
Treasurer: Ann Rappa	Website: Karen Cordes
Secretary: Rebecca Dobrzynski	Social Media Director: Rebecca Gaples
Activities Director: Meg Carter & Beth Kraft	GOAL: Melissa McGrory
Career Resource Center: Colleen Scopacasa	Principal: Dr Thomas Koulentes
Gym Uniform Director: Jennifer Tepper & Carina Decroes	Fundraising Committee: Trish Graditor

**Board Reports**

**Megan Huber, President, reporting for Jennifer Quilty, 1<sup>st</sup> VP (not present)**

1<sup>st</sup> VP, Secretary, CRC and Community Outreach still open. Let her know if you are staying in current position. Ask that everyone update their own Committee Descriptions

**Amy Neff, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP:**

FA70 meeting tomorrow, will have update at next meeting, Will do Directories again next year and looking to ask parents in registration process for info and consent.

**Ann Rappa, Treasurer:**

Bank Bal as of 2/28/23 - \$49,395

Spent \$2,000 for hot cocoa day from Conscious Cup – high quality with lots of toppings.

Spirit store Feb sales - \$600; Feb inventory costs - \$1,800

Working on 501(c)3 application and opening a CD to earn some interest on our funds

**Rebecca Dobrynski, Secretary – not present**

**Committee Reports**

**Activities - Meg Carter & Beth Kraft (not present); Megan Huber reporting:**

Winter Dance coat check went well, even though seemed challenging to get volunteers, they were adequately staffed. Approximately 1200 tickets sold for dance; Homecoming around 1400. Meg Carter will be taking over this committee next year, Beth “graduating”

**Community Outreach – Vanessa Stalter (not present); Megan Huber reporting:**

Vanessa stepping down looking for 2 people, role will include Homecoming Window painting and some other community events partnerships

**College Resource Center – Colleen Scopacasa (not present); Megan Huber & Dr K reporting:**

Resume Workshop today. No summer job fair but QR codes in the Cafeteria. Dr K was asked to have the list publicized to parents. various grade level activities going on. Decision Day 5/5 – volunteer sign ups should be coming

### **Gym Uniforms – no report**

### **Hospitality – Donna Griffin & Christine Merrill:**

Hot Cocoa Day a hit -can order less, possibly 8 5-gallon container instead of 12. Needed more whipped cream 15 cans instead of 12 and/or have parent serve whipped cream. Can halve rest of toppings except for marshmallows and twill cookies. Bring extra spoons, small serving bowls and napkins. Would ask for 16 volunteers. Once student allergic to nuts got sick, most likely due to cross contamination. Consider keeping toppings that contain nuts on a table separate from non-nut toppings.

Next Event – cookies, looking to see if Costco can accommodate, est cost \$630; Cafeteria quoted \$1,650  
Remaining Budget - \$1,500

### **Social Media – No report**

### **Spirit Store – Megan Huber & Michele Sieks:**

One more on-line sale coming. Activity fair for 8<sup>th</sup> graders coming up

### **Website – Karen Cordes:**

Looking to cleanup site. Kim Kirk responsible for Athletics, Kelly/Susan for Main Page. Kelly Brosio for Activities

### **Principal's Report**

- Winter Dance was a success – many different experiences for students; Silent Disco, 3D Photo stations, Cars 3 (popular) and Toy Story (not a hit) movies in Studio Theater, Super Mario, board games in Library – Uno and Connect 4 popular.
- Assembly celebrating different clubs during the day. Honored maintenance worker who turned 75.
- 2023 Prom at Stonegate Conf Center in Hoffman Estates. There is no other event there that night.
- Grad letter going out tomorrow outlining senior events taking place now thru graduation. Seniors last day is 5/19. Senior finals are optional – they can take them if will affect their grade. Grad rehearsal Wed 5/23 at 1pm in the gym. NOW center doors open at 6pm, graduation at 7pm
- Anne Defranco planning Grad party
- Winter sports awards on 3/9. Lots of sports successes – Anna Becker State All around gymnastics; Cole Matelenko – wrestling State champ; Girls & Boys basketball regional champs
- Sunrise Rotary Second City event
- Healthy relationships week 3/13-3/17
- Writers expo 3/23-3/24
- Spring Break 3/25-4/1
- 6 new water fountains were installed

Capital Improvements presented to School Board as priorities for LHS

1. Cafeteria & library renovation – all kitchen appliances need updating and areas are not ADA compliant

2. New Bathrooms
3. Science/Steam Labs

### **Ask Dr. K**

#### **How can we ensure authenticity of student work with AI programs readily available?**

School uses some filter out tools and software. It is part of digital literacy discussions and teachers have some personal requirements in responses

#### **What are the consequences of an unexcused absence?**

Generally no consequence if one time other than parent notification – especially if something like a senior ditch day. If student is in sports they might not be able to participate that day or make up tests for that day. If repeated – first is a warning, then lunch detention, Saturday detention and families involved.

#### **What are the requirements for Honor Roll?**

There are two honor rolls: “A” honor roll and “B” honor roll.

A Honor Roll - all “A” grades

B Honor Roll - a grade point average of “B” or higher using unweighted grades.

Any grade of “D” or “F” in an academic subject disqualifies a student from the honor roll.

75% of LHS students on A or B Honor roll

#### **Summer school offerings are currently remedial, would like to see more course offering to free up schedules during the school year for more electives.**

The school would like to move towards that – lack of staffing has been a challenge.