

LHS Parent CATS

Meeting Minutes

April 5, 2023

President: Megan Huber	Community Outreach Director: Vanessa Stalter
1 st 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 McGroary
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 Report:

Welcomed attendees, reviewed agenda.

Jenny Quilty, 1st VP report

We still have good leads on all open Parent Cats Board positions and those nominations will be confirmed before the next meeting.

Amy Neff, 2nd VP:

No updates from feeder districts that are relevant at this time. We are planning to do the directory project next year, more information to come.

Ann Rappa, Treasurer:

Highlights are:

- Spirit store did \$1200 in sales
- Ready to submit our 501c(3) documentation
- Plan is to increase the GOAL Award to \$4000 for 2023 and you will see this in the budget notes
- <https://www.d128.org/lhs/parents/parent-organizations/parent-cats/documents-forms-and-newsletters>

Rebecca Dobrzynski, Secretary:

Notes for March and April Minutes will be circulated following this meeting using FAST.

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Committee Reports:

- **CRC:**
 - Community awards event is April 20th need 8 volunteers to review submissions
 - Senior Day is May 5th we are looking for 8 more volunteers and we will do a breakfast, we will ask parents for packaged and moveable treats for use throughout the day
- **Fundraising Committee:** Working on the Shave Ice Truck date for students and will partner with Hospitality as the detail solidify.
- **GOAL Award:** We chose top 4 of 17 applications to win the GOAL award, they will be notified at the scholarship breakfast, Melissa will deliver the award. Submissions come in blind, we historically have asked for gender to ensure balanced awards, we did not take it into consideration this year and will not ask for that information in the future.
- **Hospitality:** Tomorrow is the transitions pathways breakfast. Student Cookie day in late April/Early May, we will need volunteers for this event. Faculty luncheon will be in May and we will seek donations and volunteers for the luncheon.
- **Social Media:** no update at this time.
- **Spirit Store:** 8th grade activity fair was a great night for spirit store sales. Web store should be coming out in the next couple of weeks.

Principle Update

- Dr. K gave an update on the next 7 weeks, Senior Parents have received a letter of all the events between Spring Break and Graduation.
- March Updates including SAT/PSAT Testing updates and the schedule for next week
- Update on the Accelerated Placement Act, a new law that goes into effect with next years 8th graders. All High School districts in Illinois to automatically enroll students who test on a national norm into accelerated class specifically in English, Math, and Science and how this will be implemented in LHS.
- As part of the overall DARING Mission, we have a committee project to think about how to structure time in our school day to support the Daring pillars and the committee will make a recommendation early next school year.

Conclusion of Parent Cats Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

Next Meeting Wednesday May 3rd at 7pm in the library