



## LANE TECH COLLEGE PREP HIGH SCHOOL

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**Lane Tech High School Local School Council** Notice is hereby given that a regularly scheduled Local School Council meeting has been set for: **Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 6:30 PM** in Room 113, 2501 W. Addison Or on google meet  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCm4mKYIVbTCHYpVdc\\_wUMvQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCm4mKYIVbTCHYpVdc_wUMvQ)

### 1. Call Meeting to Order

Emily Haite called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

### 2. Roll Call / Establish Quorum (7 minimum)

**Present:** Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty, Rebecca Daly, Dalya Lessem Elnecave, Sean Groh, Maureen George, Emily Haite (Chair), Anne Lokken (OMA/FOIA), Mario Nunez (6:40 pm), Patricia O'Keefe, Ana Scales (Sec.), Laura Symons (on-line), (Vice-Chair), Edwina Thompson (Principal), and Dannixa Velez

**Absent:** Dayana Bautista and Benjamin Wong

**Quorum Established**

### 3. Approve Agenda

**Motion:** To approve the Agenda (after reminder at 6:44 PM)

**By:** Emily Haite

**Second:** Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty

**Vote:** In favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion Passes

### 4. Approve old minutes

**Motion:** To approve March 23, 2022, Meeting Minutes and Candidate Forum, Special Budget Meeting Monday, April 18, 2022, and Closed Session Principal Evaluation.

**By:** Emily Haite

**Second:** Patricia O'Keefe

**Vote:** In favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** Dalya Lessem Elnecave for the Monday 4/18/22 meeting.

**Result:** Motion Passes

5. Public Participation

2 minutes each

You must sign up in 113 before the meeting begins in order to participate.

Mr. Reed Flick (music teacher) is excited to be working with Principal Thompson. Her energy and smiles are motivating. She attends games and he was especially happy to see her at the 'Cheer City Competition.'

Mark (LT parent) shared concerns on behalf of 20 Senior parents regarding Six Flags Senior Night. How many students requested tickets and chaperones? Parents hope to have all qualified students the opportunity to attend the event, and to find ways to make this work.

Lisa Applebaum: good luck to candidates at this election night and happy birthday to Emily.

6. LSC Resolutions: Ben Wong - Emily Haite presenting (see attached)

- a. Emmanuel Girolamo

7. Reports:

- a. Principal - Edwina Thompson (see attached)

- Large items on the agenda related to budget
- Wonderful guitar concert! Video can be seen online
- Sophomores and freshmen took the PSAT (2x), and in the fall they will take it as juniors to qualify for National Merit Scholarships
- Welcomed spring break
- Students are preparing for AP exams, first week of May.

Friends of Lane:

- Raised a 350K auditorium upgrade. Have a huge thank you card to our generous donors
- Drivers Ed department for the 260K upgrade new simulators
- Last year 47 new projectors were installed and plan to expand an additional 100 classrooms
- Gym seating and painting
- The Gala: May 6. Donors, parents, and staff showcase what this generosity has given our students.

Senior nights for Grad Night to Great America

- The students are to spend overnight at Six Flags 9:30 - 5 am. One senior class sponsor to organize this
- LT has the tickets.
- Volunteers ratio per student 1:10 - 458 students.
- Enough for 200 students/minimum of 46 chaperones needed.
- Open up the tickets and parents are willing to help.

Around 7 PM Principal Thompson will step out to see if the election is complete for certification, and the LSC has the option to stay longer or have another emergency meeting to certify the election results.

b. PPLC - Rebecca Daly, Mario Nunez

We will meet next week.

c. Students - Dalya Lessem Elnecape, Sean Groh

- April 15th, the students received their SAT scores. Principal Thompson already reported on the Guitar concert, PSAT, and AP tests
- Lane Tech Play theatrical production - student-written and directed. Two shows on April 28 - 29th. LT students are discounted with student IDs. A thank you to Ms. Hansen, Ms. Meacham, Ms. Allen, and other staff members.

d. Friends of Lane - Lisa Borrelli for Nikki Pesch

- The Gala - May 6. FOL sold over 600, tickets will sell out. Thank you to Janelle Reynolds, Anne Stockton, Jamie Fleischmann, and Laura Symons
- We need volunteers. There's also an after-party at the brewery next door!
- May 3rd annual Teacher Appreciation - ice-cream social
- May 4th last big community event - Demystifying the Common App
- The School store has more new items
- Senior graduation signs are available (proceeds for prom), the store is open during lunch period and special hours to pick up signs
- April 28 or 29th is senior decision day - Emily Haite.

e. BAC - Bilingual Advisory Committee - Speaker for Beatrice Ramos

Happy to establish this committee. Working to find officers and other members to be a part of BAC, they have to have students who are in the English Language program. Interest and ideas are welcomed.

f. Alumni Association - Michelle Weiner

The month of April is the scholarship program, now that decision day is next week. Please submit applications, whether or not you feel that you are qualified

for the scholarship program. The goal is to close out applications on the 30th. Have 200K; money ranges from 2500 - 40k to Stem, Art, English, Chemistry, Social Justice, Leadership, etc. Most are 5 -10K, most unrestricted. If the alumni are able to push this through, then 2.5 million has been raised for the whole program. Scholarships are personal. There's also a DePaul Scholarship.

[2022 Scholarship List & Instructions - Lane Tech Alumni Association](#)

Woman in Lane - forging ahead. First females at LT.

Additional Hall of Fame - Alumni only, May 1st.

8. New Business: Renee Luis for Jill Woods

a. Check approvals/Purchase orders for approval:

1. Six Flags Great America \$12,000.00 senior grad nite overnight lock in on Friday June 3, 2022. students will pay \$60.00 per ticket total of 200 tickets
2. Apple Education \$22,270.00 upgrade student newspaper (The Champion) classroom
3. MBS Identification \$11,300.00 purchase ID cards and lanyards for student's to receive at quick start 2022/2023
4. Full Line Printing \$25,262.38 purchase student and teacher planners for 2022/2023, will be passed out at quick start 2022/2023
5. WW Norton and Company \$21,060.00 AP Chemistry textbooks with digital access (Ap textbooks are a requirement for AP courses to be used as reference for the students)
6. Bedford Freeman and Worth \$20,161.26 AP Biology textbooks with digital access (AP textbooks are a requirement for AP courses to be used as reference for the students)
7. Jostens \$50,451.08 HS yearbook for 2021/2022 (Yearbook
8. Murphy and Jones \$238,963.80 Gym 1 seating to be completed in summer 2022
9. Murphy and Jones \$400,400.00 projector installation project to install newly purchased projectors and screens for 100 classrooms
10. Murphy and Jones \$17,942.00 room 140 replace weight room flooring
11. Pace Systems \$19,272.00 4 security cameras installation for building safety and security.

Emily Haite explained that April is a big month for Lane to get things ordered for next year. Sometimes in May, downtown limits how much we spend.

**Motion:** To approve the 11 purchase orders.

**By:** Emily Haite

**Second:** Rebecca Daly

**Vote:** In favor  
**Opposed:** None  
**Abstained:** None  
**Result:** Motion Passes

b. Fundraiser approvals

1. Cluster program- art show sale of artwork from former cluster student on 05/20-05/31/2022 (Mullin)
2. Students for humanitarian awareness will be selling stickers to raise funds for the people of Ukraine on 04/21/2022. (Escobar/Smith)
3. Friends of Lane Gala and online auction on 04/29-05/09/2022

**Motion:** To approve the three fundraisers.

**By:** Emily Haite

**Second:** Anne Lokken

**Vote:** In favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion Passes

c. Approve LSC election vote if possible (see \*\*\*\*)

9. Old Business

Principal Evaluation: Met Monday and submitted (HR) it to her.

Survey Discussion: The LSC usually submits the results, but only 162 parents participated and 64 teachers filled out the survey. It wasn't a large enough participation. The LSC discussed not doing a re-survey because of the small numbers. Discussed to start the survey earlier. Possibly for the reason of small participation: multiple surveys out, the timing, maybe survey fatigue. Maybe a shorter survey or use text and a discussion to be more directional, dividing the survey. For the BAC committee, it would be great to reach out to the community. Archived survey to be passed on.

10. Announcements

Waiting for the election results.

FOL Green & Gold Gala May 6, 2022

<https://www.friendsoflane.org/green-gold-gala>

The symbol update: Principal Thompson said it will be sent out.

\*\*\*\* LSC Election certification process:

Emily Haite had asked members to wait a few minutes for election results.

**Motion:** To pause the meeting (7:25 PM).

[Teachers and staff can leave; quorum is still established: Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty, Dalya Lessem Elneave, Sean Groh, Maureen George, Emily Haite, Anne Lokken, Patricia O'Keefe, Ana Scales, Edwina Thompson.]

**By:** Emily Haite

**Second:** Dannixa Velez

**Vote:** In favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion Passes

**Motion:** To unpause the LSC meeting at 8:47 PM.

**By:** Emily Haite

**Second:** Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty

**Vote:** In favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion Passes

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Principal Thompson read:

Lane Tech College Prep, Network 14

The members of the Local School Council, certify that we met on April 21, 2022 to certify the results reflected below of the election for parent and community representatives and the non-binding advisory poll(s) for teacher and non-teaching staff representatives {and, if appropriate, the elected student representative(s)} conducted on or about Wednesday, April 20, 2022, or Thursday, April 21, 2022.

We further certify that, if necessary, any ties for the sixth parent representative position and/or second community representative position {and if appropriate, the ties for the student representative(s)} were broken by lottery and that, based on the lottery results, one (1) vote was added to the vote total(s) of the parent representative and/or community representative candidate(s) and/or student representative(s) selected in the lottery.

### CPS 2022 LSC Election

Form 28-22 Certification of LSC Election Results

email form to: [lscrelations@cps.edu](mailto:lscrelations@cps.edu) by 3:00 PM May 2, 2022

And inserted into Security B for delivery to the Network Office on May 6, 2022

Parent Representatives:

Anne Lokken	117
Benjamin Wong	137
Laura Symons	104
Tikisha Buford	59
Jamie Fleischmann	67
Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty	79

Teacher Representative:

Rebecca Daly	20
Mario Nunez	13

Non-Teacher Staff Representative:

Dannixa Velez	18
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Community Representative:

Maureen George	35
Ana Borja-Scales	26

Student Representative:

Sean Groh	78
Dalya Lessem Elnecave	32
Yuma Lu	20

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**Motion:** To Certify the April 21, 2022 Election

**By:** Edwina Thompson

**Second:** Emily Haite

**Vote:** In favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion Passes, Form 28-22 signed by LSC Chair - Emily Haite and Principal Edwina Thompson

## 11. Adjournment

**Motion:** To adjourn

**By:** Emily Haite

**Second:** Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty

**Vote:** In favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion Passes

Respectfully submitted,  
Ana Scales  
LSC Secretary

Resolutions: Benjamin Wong



# *A Resolution*

## *of the Lane Tech Local School Council*

### *Honoring Emmanuel Girolamo*

*Whereas, Lane Tech is known as the School of Champions having a rich century-old tradition of academic and athletic excellence;*

*Whereas, the students of Lane Tech continue to exhibit the dedication, sacrifice, integrity and spirit which are the true hallmarks of a champion;*

*Whereas, 'Beat the Streets Chicago Wrestling' partners with CPS through the CPS SCORE program to offer Spring Wrestling for CPS Girls and Boys between 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade;*

*Whereas, LTAC 8<sup>th</sup> grade student Emmanuel Girolamo won the Chicago Public Schools' SCORE Wrestling Championship for his weight class, going undefeated and pinning all three of his opponents in just over two total minutes;*



***Whereas, Emmanuel Girolamo has added his name to and enhanced the legacy of Lane Tech as the School of Champions; now therefore,***

***BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Lane Tech Local School Council, on behalf of the Lane Tech community, do hereby recognize and commend Emmanuel Girolamo for his outstanding achievements and look with pride to his continued success.***

***R-2021-019 Adopted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 2022***

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Principal's Report: Edwina Thompson



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CIWP Priorities | [ciwp.cps.edu](http://ciwp.cps.edu)

- 1. Instruction**
- 2. Balanced Assessment and Grading**
- 3. Multi-tiered systems of Support: Relational Trust**

**Competency A: Champions teachers and staff excellence through a focus on continuous improvement to develop and achieve the vision of high expectations for all students.**

- The Director of Curriculum and Instruction has been working with other teachers in Critical Friends Groups (CFGs) to discuss formative assessments. Teachers meet to discuss instruction and their concerns; best practices are shared, and staff are invited to observe their instruction. Staff members follow these observations with additional discussion to address the teacher's concerns as well as to share other resources to ensure differentiation, equitable practices, and student learning.
- Our building is continuing with equity professional development. Our focus for this month is finishing up grading for equity pd and discussing student viewpoints on this year's policies related to retakes and the failure floor.
- The Omega Staff is meeting to evaluate the year and plan the next steps to improving on the program
- Clinician Conversations: Lane Tech clinicians will co-facilitate conversation with staff to discuss various mental health topics and how to identify and mitigate
- Spring sports teams continue their success bringing home wins and individual/team achievements
- The Attendance Office sent out early warning notifications to alert teachers of student 'cuts' to class, and have asked teachers to initiate conversations with students and families around the importance of consistent class attendance.
- Building operations is overseeing a project to add a 570k+ technology upgrade to 100 classrooms to improve teaching ability. This is a continuation of a 2nd round of installs that started with 47 classrooms from the 2020-2021 SY
- Building operations is overseeing a ceramics classroom relocation to give additional storage and learning environment
- Building operations is overseeing a new weight room install to give additional space for PE and Athletics for physical development
- The Grading for Equity team is working on their 4th Professional Development presentation; we are currently examining the change of GPAs over time as we have implemented more equitable grading practices and will be focusing on the positive work being done across our building
- Students of the Quarter Awards are provided for our Lane Tech Academic Center students
- Lane Tech Academic Center teachers participate in weekly 7th and 8th grade team meetings to discuss instruction.
- The Athletic Department sends twice weekly Lane Tech Sports Update for staff, students, and parents celebrating successes on and off the field.

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### **Competency B: Creates powerful professional learning systems to guarantee learning for all students.**

- The student advisory committee developed a presentation on LGBTQ+
- The Director of Curriculum and Instruction is working with the GFE team to finalize our final PD, focused on the benefits our equitable grading practices have had on our students (with a specific focus on student voice)
- The GSA created an advisory presentation to educate students and staff on the LGBTQ+ community.
- The Director of Curriculum and Instruction collaborated with department chairs and Principal Thompson to discuss the creation of a Retake Center, where students could retake summative assessments and students who need additional time per their IEP or 504 plan could also test. Teachers would grant students an opportunity to retake their assessment, students would sign up for one of two dates, and this would automatically notify me, the teacher, and our volunteers of the students' attendance.
- Administrators attended *AP: Prepare Conference* in New York City and *AP: A Dream Deferred* in Washington D.C. to collaborate with educators and administrators across the country to expand access and equity for our students across Advanced Placement offerings.
- The Director of Curriculum and Instruction collaborated with Jeff Solin, Laura McLaughlin-Kantowicz, Jackie Gilson, and Kyle Perfect to plan a second round of Skills Strengthening Sessions. Students will be able to choose from sessions that help them become more organized electronically (Gmail and Drive), deal with stress in a healthy manner, how to manage time efficiently, and how to annotate.
- Teacher Assistants and Senior Leaders are tutoring for writing center
- Omega Student Council is planning Omega Workshops on Altruistic Activism and the Omega Humanities Festival.
- Our staff members have submitted over 2100 Aspen Journal entries entered for family outreach and student engagement since the beginning of the year.
- The Instructional Leadership Team continues in the instructional cycle on how to best support teachers in instruction via formative assessments and peer coaching conversations. They are having one on one conversations with students.
- The food pantry supports those students that may have food insecurities. Creating a system that allows every student to visit the pantry allows us to support those who may be in need. Addressing food insecurity will allow students to focus on their education during instructional time.

### **Competency C: Builds a culture focused on College and Career readiness-develops the full range of students' learning capacities, creative, social-emotional, behavioral and physical.**

- The Director of Admissions will begin programming incoming students: placing students in courses they select as much as possible to meet their interests
- Student support groups are in full swing. There is a support group for almost every grade level approximately 70 students are being served.
- LTAC 7th grade academic advisory courses are focusing on kindness and being an upstander
- The social worker will continue to share mental health activities & resources through LT's social media platform

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- Of the 17 Alpha students who presented at the City Science Fair, 10 students will be invited to present their papers and/or presentations at the IJAS state science fair in Peoria, IL. Their projects will be presented to a much bigger pool of STEM professional judges. Awards will be announced on 4/2
- The Athletic Department is planning a Career in Sports Day with different professionals in the industry to present to our Sports Communications classes that promote Lane Tech Athletics
- Our Friends of Lane is supporting a 350k sound system upgrade for the Lane Auditorium
- At least 58 seniors (primarily students who qualify for free lunch) attended our financial aid review day, during which students met 1:1 and in small groups with members of CPS' OSCPA team to review their financial aid packages. On a scale of 1 to 10 students rated this as a 9.08 in terms of helpfulness.
- 96.81% of Lane Tech seniors have met the graduation financial aid graduation requirement by completing the FAFSA or Alternative App or completing the waiver process (some waivers are still in processing).
- The Director of Grading and Assessment organized and administered the PSAT exam to 1987 students on 4/19
- The Director of Grading and Assessment organized and will be administering the make-up exams for both SAT and PSAT to our students on April 26th and 27th, respectively.
- The Director of Grading and Assessment is continuing the administration of the ISA (Illinois Science Assessment) to all 11th grade students during, both in early-April and in late-April.
- AP exams have arrived! AP testing will begin on 5/2-5/13 with make-up exams being administered 5/17-5/20!
- The Director of Curriculum and Instruction is planning an end of year Skills Session for College Essay Writing, maintaining friendships throughout the summer, Thinking About College, and Sessions in Art and Music. To this end, she has been collaborating with the junior and senior English teachers to better understand what areas our college essay session could target, and has been communicating with Mr. Ceh regarding art.
- On April 29, Lane Tech counselors will host our annual celebration of Decision Day with field games, raffles, and prizes to help our students get ready for college experiences across
- 7 of the competing Alpha students won the Outstanding Gold Award for exhibitions and all are moving forward to the IJAS State Science Fair in Peoria, IL on April 22-23. One additional 8th grader will have their paper submitted for consideration in the science fair. The details are outlined in our daily news.
- The Director of Culture and Climate is working with peer conference students to teach effective communication and conflict resolution skills.
- The BIPOC Committee educates and empowers students in using their voice for positive cultural change.
- The Attendance Team is utilizing their Mental Health Day Absence Tracking System to streamline communication from families when students accrue multiple mental health absences.

**Competency D: Empowers and motivates families and the community to become engaged.**

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- Lane Tech partnered with Northwestern University for a second Teen Wellness Parent Speaker Series parent presentation. The Topic was Signs of Depression in Teens. \*Over 80 people participated
- The Director of Culture and Climate partnered with the Lane Tech Alumni Association to First time host a prom pop-up shop. Lane collected gently used and new prom items.
- The Omega Staff presented at the Lane Tech Meet & Greet for the prospective freshmen and answered questions about the Omega program.
- Lane Tech Guitar classes hosted our annual spring concert on April 20 given by our students and their teachers.
- The Admissions Office is hosting trivia night for incoming students on 5/12
- The Admissions Office is hosting a Math exam on 6/4, language placement on 5/7, and music auditions on 5/3 and 5/4- all opportunities for families to start to meet teachers and engage with the school
- Freshmen Connections is planned for June.
- Our Athletic Director is promoting our Lane Tech Athletics Youth Summer Camps within the community
- New This Summer: Lane Tech is planning to offer a summer enrichment program with classes in creative writing, computer programming, Spanish and French, drama, robotics, summer lawn games, and beginning yoga.
- New This Summer: Lane Tech athletics is offering an array of sports camps in boys basketball, girls basketball, and soccer... to name a few... this summer through their booster clubs.
- The Attendance Office initiated a Fast Track Prom Attendance Initiative for students who have fallen behind with attendance year-to-date.
- The Attendance Office staff utilizes a bi-weekly Attendance Bulletin alerting students and parents of unexcused absences that could cause demerits
- 238k GYM 1 seating upgrade and enhancement to enhance our physical environment
- LTAC Student Council hosted a collection drive for New Hope Food Pantry
- Lane hosted the National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony for LTAC parents and new inductees
- The Director of Grading and Assessment created a Student PSAT Launchpad for families and students to reference for information and FAQs
- Teen Wellness Parent Speaker Series continued- April Topic : Depression among Teens
- The Alpha Stem Coordinator presented at the Lane Tech Meet & Greet for the prospective freshmen and answered questions about the Alpha program. Alpha teachers and Alpha students participated.
- Lane's Office of Culture and Climate hosted a food drive that engaged the LT student and parent, and community.
- The Attendance Office developed a bi-weekly attendance bulletin to alert families and teachers of unexcused absences accrued within the past month to increase support for students
- Principal Thompson meets monthly with the Friends of Lane to engage with parents about our school's process. This month, Assistant Principal Sarah Hanly led the behind the scenes tour for families.
- Principal Thompson submits weekly communications to parents, staff and students to update them about Lane's accomplishments and policy information
- Staff and community partners are creating opportunities to address supportive events for all of our students. A prom dress is currently underway for students who would like to participate.
- The Attendance Office is hosting a Fast Track Prom Attendance Initiative for students who have fallen behind with attendance year-to-date.

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**Competency E: Relentlessly pursues self-disciplined thinking and action supports a climate that values, accepts, and understands diversity in culture and point of view.**

- The LTAC students took a field trip to Illinois Holocaust Museum
- Cross-curricular units in history and English (human rights/ Night by Elie Wiesel) begins
- The Director of Curriculum and Instruction continues to work with teachers from the English, Sciences, Math, and World Language Departments in preparation of holding PD on the culturally relevant instruction. We held our first meeting in the Art Department. After meeting and preparing with Sarah Wain, they presented on this topic and have shared resources with their teachers. They are also looking to follow up on a second meeting date to discuss how the resources we've shared are being utilized and to what effect.
- The GSA collaborated with staff and student leaders to present ways to support and educate students about the LGBTQ+ community
- Lane's symbol committee consists of staff and students who will be making a recommendation for a new symbol. They have collected the results from the first survey and will be opening the second survey for students soon.
- The Culture and Climate Department completed focus groups for SEL
- The Principal Discretion Process is complete and we submitted names for all 56 seats.
- Principal Thompson meets quarterly with various representatives from student leadership to hear what is going well and where we need to improve.
- The Behavioral Health Team continues to meet weekly to review referrals and support individual student needs
- Our Equity Policy Team launched a dress code survey for students and staff to solicit feedback and they have received more than 1400 responses.

**Upcoming Dates to Remember:**

- **Parent Conferences - April 21, 2022**
- **LSC Elections- April 21, 2022**
- **Friends of Lane Gala- May 6, 2022**
- **AP Exam Traditional Dates- May 2- 13, 2022**

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