



## LANE TECH COLLEGE PREP HIGH SCHOOL

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### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

#### Meeting Minutes: 2023-2024 Local School Council Organizational Meeting

Following are the meeting minutes. Posted Meeting Agenda items are listed, with the meeting minutes noted below.

Notice is hereby given that the 2023-2024 LSC Regular Meeting is called for September 7, 2023, at 6:00 PM in Room 113, 2501 W. Addison, and on Google Meet. [Lane Tech LSC Virtual Public Participation SY24 - Google Forms](#)

#### 1. Call Meeting to Order

Benjamin Wong called on September 7, 2023, LSC Meeting to Order at 6:02 PM

#### 2. Roll Call / Establish Quorum (8 minimum)

**Present:** Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty (Sergeant of Arms), Tikisha Buford (arrived 6:32 PM), Rebecca Daly, Jamie Fleischmann (arrived 6:35 PM), Owen Frasor, Maureen George, Sean Groh, Anne Lokken (Co-Chair OMA/FOIA), Mario Nunez, Divinefavour Osuji, Edwina Thompson (Principal), Dannixa Velez and Benjamin Wong (Chair)

**Absent:** Ana Scales

**Virtual:** none (5 ILCS 120/7) Sec. 7.

#### Quorum Established

#### 3. Approve Agenda

Ben Wong asked to amend the agenda by moving the second resolution to the October meeting.

**Motion:** To approve the agenda with amendment

**By:** Anne Lokken

**Second:** Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Passed

4. Approve old minutes/ Organizational Meeting

**Motion:** To approve July meeting minutes

**By:** Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty

**Second:** Maureen George

**Vote:** unanimous in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** Divinefavour Osuji

**Result:** Passed

5. Public Participation 2 minutes each

**Two minutes per speaker for no more than one hour (unless otherwise extended by the LSC).**

**Sergeant-at-arms to monitor the rotating in-person and virtual Google "Chat" during public participation.**

Lane Tech LSC Virtual Public Participation SY24

There was no general public participation, either in-person or virtually. There were six candidate statements during public participation by the following individuals who submitted candidate nomination forms: Kim Watts, Susannah Gottlieb, David Nelson, Catherine Rockey, Nima Krodel, Jan DuBay-McDermitt.

6. New Business: Check and Fundraising approvals - Jill Woods Purchase Orders:

Purchase Orders:

- Follett Education \$20,157.75 AP Spanish workbooks (Language Workbooks 26191 to 46221-124-53305-113114-002239)
- Sheraton Grand Chicago \$20,000.00 deposit for senior prom on 05/18/2024 (Senior Prom 26504 to 46221-124-57705-211210-002239)
- Ricoh Managed Print Services for the 2023/2024 school year \$140,674.54 this was approved during Hyperion budgeting. The district creates the purchase order on the schools behalf.

Fundraisers:

- Friends of Lane- golf outing on 09/23/2023
- Boys/Girls Cross Country Booster Club 4k Fun Run on 09/27-10/27/2023 (Roof)
- Lane TEch Esports "merch" sale through a CPS approved vendor ASAP-06/30/2024 (Davey)

- Fall Play ticket sales "The Odessia" 10/18-10/21/2023 (Hanson)
- Girls Basketball Booster Club "Snap raise" Virtual Fundraiser 11/01-12/31/2023
- Girls basketball Booster Club Concession stand sales at home games 11/01-03/31/2024
- Musical ticket sales (performance TBD) 02/14-02/17/2024 (Hanson)
- Spring Play ticket sales (performance TBD) 04/17-04/20/2024 (Hanson)
- Play Festival ticket sales 05/02-05/03/2024 (Hanson)
- Girls Volleyball Booster Club concession stands at home games 09/12-10/10/2023

**Motion:** To approve purchase orders and fundraisers

**By:** Anne Lokken

**Second:** Rebecca Daly

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Passed

7. Resolution: Honoring Marko McRae, IHSA All State Tennis Team

8. Vote to go into Closed Session/ Candidate review and discussions [ILCS 120/2(c)(1)]

**Motion:** To go into closed session to discuss the candidates for the LSC vacancy

**By:** Anne Lokken

**Second:** Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Passed. The LSC went into closed session at 6:34 PM

Open Session [ILCS 120/2(c)(1)]

9. Vote/ Select and Announce New LSC Member

**Motion:** To resume open session

**By:** Ben Wong

**Second:** Jamie Fleischmann

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Passed. The LSC resumed open session at 7:00 PM

Roll call was done again.

**Present:** Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty, Tikisha Buford, Rebecca Daly, Jamie Fleischmann,

Owen Frasor, Maureen George, Sean Groh, Anne Lokken, Mario Nunez, Divinefavour Osuji, Edwina Thompson, Dannixa Velez and Benjamin Wong

**Absent:** Ana Scales

**Virtual:** none (5 ILCS 120/7) Sec. 7.

Ben Wong and Edwina Thompson thanked the candidates, and noted they were all extremely impressive and qualified. It was a very difficult decision for the LSC to select just one person to fill the vacancy. The candidates not selected were encouraged to run for election this spring.

**Motion:** To appoint Susannah Gottlieb as an LSC parent representative to fill a vacancy

**By:** Ben Wong

**Second:** Sean Groh

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Passed. Ms. Gottlieb joined the LSC for the remainder of the meeting.

#### 10. Reports:

**Principal** - Edwina Thompson (See attached). Ms. Thompson shared that Phase 1 of the parking lot renovation (driver's ed range) is almost complete. Phase 2 (larger lot) will begin next year. Phase 1 of the HVAC renovation is underway, and new gym bleachers will be installed this month. Ms. Thompson informed the LSC that CPS has revised the principal evaluation criteria and process. She shared the new evaluation form. CPS will be providing LSC training regarding the new evaluation criteria/process. Finally, Ms. Thompson informed the LSC that student enrollment is currently higher than planned (4,519 students vs. 4,488). Lane will receive funding for each additional student in attendance on the 20th school day. The LSC discussed enrollment trends and numbers. Ms. Thompson said the goal is 4,450 students in the building.

**CIWP** - Edwina Thompson. Ms. Thompson presented the draft CIWP to the LSC for its consideration. There are three priorities: (1) Curriculum and Instruction; (2) Post Secondary Success; and (3) Connectedness and Wellbeing. Regarding Curriculum and Instruction, the theme is differentiated instruction with attention to culturally responsive planning and teaching. The goal is to increase on-track data for all students, with emphasis on closing the achievement gap for African American and Latino students. Regarding Post Secondary Success, targeted outreach is intended to increase the percentage of Black and Hispanic males attending match/reach colleges. Finally, regarding Connectedness and Wellbeing, the focus is the provision of SEL (social emotional learning) curriculum and support to students to increase motivation and decrease chronic absenteeism. The LSC discussed the concept of chronic absenteeism and how it impacts students at Lane. CPS defines chronic absenteeism as 15 or more absences, regardless of whether they are excused.

**Motion:** To approve the CIWP presented by Principal Thompson

**By:** Ben Wong

**Second:** Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Passed

**PPLC** - Rebecca Daly, Mario Nunez - The PPLC hosted a professional development speaker (Meg Carol, Saint Xavier University) who presented information regarding diverse learners and differentiation. The teachers gave very positive feedback. The PPLC is holding its election for committee members on September 8, 2023.

**BAC** - No Report.

**Friends of Lane** - Lisa Applebaum (FOL Vice-President) - Ms. Applebaum provided a report regarding current and upcoming Friends of Lane activities. The first meeting of the school year was held on September 5, 2023. It was a "Meet the Administration" event and Ms. Applebaum thanked Principal Thompson and all the administrators who attended. The homecoming dance is scheduled for October 14, 2023. Four FOL members are working with students and administrators to organize the dance (ticket sales are done through the school, not FOL). Homecoming spirit week is October 2-6, 2023. The Lane store will be open every day that week, and has new items. The FOL annual golf outing is scheduled for September 23, 2023 and the annual appeal will kick off soon. FOL is looking to fill one board member spot (responsible for business sponsorship) and one committee chair position (teacher grant committee). FOL will also be looking for volunteers for the Lane open house on November 4, 2023. The next monthly meeting will be held on October 3, 2023 and will be an off-site, social event.

### **Student Reports**

- A. Student Council - Sean Groh - The student council has reviewed and met with administrators regarding the new attendance/demerit policy. They will be preparing a FAQ for students. Homecoming spirit week is October 2-6, the football game is October 6, 2023 and the dance is October 14, 2023. Student club days are September 20 and 21, 2023.
- B. Core/Omega - Owen Frasor - Students have been very excited about the new furniture (tables/chairs) outside the main office. It's a nice spot to eat and congregate. Students also have favorable reports regarding the new college software, SchoolLinks. Finally, the Foreign Language Department at Lane wants to promote and encourage students to participate in the Illinois Seal of Biliteracy program and/or CIEE foreign trips.

- C. Alpha STEM - Divinefavour Osuji - Students in the Alpha STEM program have reported some stress related to science fair and overall workload, although the program has adjusted some requirements to be more accommodating to student needs. The Winter Science Fair will be held on December 7, 2023.

**Alumni Association** - Michelle Weiner - Ms. Weiner provided an alumni update. On May 26, 2023, the LTAA awarded \$272,600 in scholarships to 33 graduating seniors attending 23 different colleges. Cumulatively, the LTAA has awarded approximately \$2.8 million in scholarships over the years. The Lane Tech Vietnam Memorial was corrected/updated and rededicated on June 3, 2023. The LTAA had its first ever student intern during the summer of 2023, and it was a fantastic experience for all. Also during the summer, alumni donated over 2,500 items to the Student Food Pantry. LTAA will continue its support of the program during the school year. LTAA provided transportation for 16 students to attend the College That Change Lives fair in August 2023, and will also fund transportation for an Ohio colleges tour later in September. The LTAA Faculty Innovation Grants application opened this week. The LTAA intends to award \$25,000 in grants to teachers and staff for programs and materials. Finally, the LTAA is currently planning seven class reunions.

11. Old Business – None

12. Announcements - The next meeting is October 12, 2023.

13. Adjournment

**Motion:** Motion to adjourn

**By:** Ben Wong

**Second:** Tikisha Buford

**Vote:** Unanimously in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM

Respectfully submitted by the LSC Secretary