



## LANE TECH COLLEGE PREP HIGH SCHOOL

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### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

**Lane Tech High School Local School Council Regular Meeting** Notice is hereby given that the Local School Council meeting has been set for: **Thursday, March 14, 2024, at 6:00 PM, after the Candidate Forum (5:30 PM)** in Room 113, 2501 W. Addison, or on Google Meet. Join Google - [meet.google.com/tfr-jjva-dhc](https://meet.google.com/tfr-jjva-dhc)

Following are the meeting minutes. The original posted Meeting Agenda items are listed with the meeting minutes noted directly below.

#### 1. Call Meeting to Order

Benjamin Wong called on March 14, 2024, at the LSC Meeting to Order at 6:09 PM

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

**Present:** Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty (Sergeant of Arms), Tikisha Bufford, Rebecca Daly, Jamie Fleischmann, Owen Frasor, Susannah Gottlieb, Anne Lokken (Co-Chair OMA/FOIA), Mario Nunez, Ana Scales, Edwina Thompson (Principal), Dannixa Velez, Benjamin Wong (Chair)

**Absent:** Maureen George, Sean Groh, Divinefavour Osuji,

**Virtual:** [(5 ILCS 120/7) Sec. 7.]

**Quorum Established**

#### 3. Approve the Agenda

Ben Wong asked to add to the Agenda under Resolution 6C. Avi Chapman (D. and E. respectively)

**Motion:** To approve the agenda with one addition.

**By:** Anne Lokken

**Second:** Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty

**Vote:** Unanimous, in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion Passes

4. Approve Old Minutes

Ana Scales wanted to add for the record of the approved January 11 Minutes a correction: In the part regarding the Macs - the total number is 80 Mac books and 40 iMacs for a total of \$287, 920K

**Motion:** To approve the February 8 Minutes and the correction for the record.

**By:** Ben Wong

**Second:** Jamie Fleischmann

**Vote:** Unanimous, in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** Maureen George and Ana Scales

**Result:** Motion Passes

5. Public Participation

2 minutes each

Public Participation -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. <https://ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/fulltext.asp?Name=103-0311>

6. LSC Resolutions - Ben Wong (See Attached)

- A. Academic Decathlon Team
- B. Chess Team
- C. Avi Chapman
- D. Wrestling Team
- E. I-Days Sponsors, STUCO Exec. Board, and I-Days Club Presidents

7. New Business

- A. Purchase Orders and Fundraisers

**Purchase Orders: (5)**

- 1. Jostens \$21,244.00 Senior class Graduation regalia for graduation on May 29, 2024 (Graduation 26110 46221-124-53405-211210-002239)

2. Jostens \$19,640.00 Yearbook deposit for purchase made 23/24 school year. This is paid from student purchase (Yearbook)
3. Warehouse Direct \$23,790.00 paper order for all school department and classroom use (Quick Start)
4. Savvas \$49,180.40 AP Physics 1 textbooks with Etext option code for 6 years (Textbooks)
5. Positive Physics \$48,300.00 All science classes. Despite the vendor name, this is a formative assessment tool for all science classes. This will be used in all core science classes to aid in teachers formatively assessing students. The system provides students with instant feedback and hints to aid in their learning. We are currently using this in physics where we are receiving high praise from students. The total cost is for 28 teachers over 10 years. (Digital Textbooks)
6. Hemisphere Educational Travel for Science Olympiad - \$38,815.27. Science Olympiad state tournament for Lane, Bell, Payton, and Young on 04/19-04/20/2024 - lodging, metals, and transportation. Lane paid, before tournaments-Bell, Payton, and Young to reimburse Lane their portion.

**Motion:** To approve the Purchase Orders presented by Jill.

**By:** Ben Wong

**Second:** Tikisha Bufford

**Vote:** Unanimous, in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion Passes

**Fundraisers: (7)**

1. Girls Soccer Association selling of concessions at all home games 2023/2024 season
2. Drama booster club concession sales at the school spring play 04/17-04/20/2024
3. Drama booster club Domino's pizza slice the price card sales \$20 per card 04/02-04/16/2024
4. Unified Buddies selling developmental awareness merchandise 03-06/2024 (Vitale)
5. Boys Soccer Booster Club "Donate" Button on soccer club website for families to donate directly to soccer program 03/20-06/17/2024
6. Baseball Booster club auction of surplus merchandise 04/20-04/27/2024
7. Boys Volleyball Booster Club Vertical Raise \$20.00 coupon books to various stores

**Motion:** To approve Fundraisers.

**By:** Anne Lokken

**Second:** Susannah Gottlieb

**Vote:** Unanimous, in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion Passes

Jill Woods: Money left over from the payroll line. SBB budgeting based on positions (change of insurance, benefits, people leaving, etc.) yields \$260,000.00 on the payroll line. This money cannot be rolled over to next year, therefore she asked to move it from payroll to the science line (the safest line to spend it). The staffing need line is closed for this FY, even if LT were to hire someone new, the process would be forwarded to the next FY budget (time for interviews, etc.).

PPLC - Rebecca Daley: to look at this request and recommend the use toward instructional funds.

**Motion:** Transfer \$240,000.03 from Payroll to the Science line for science textbooks, various instructional funds, building supplies, and technology devices.

**By:** Anne Lokken

**Second:** Jamie Fleischmann

**Vote:** Unanimous, in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion Passes

## 8. Reports

- A. Principal: Edwina Thompson (-See attached)  
Principal Thompson submitted the Principal's Report, and below are some highlights.  
College and Career Center and Counselors hosted the annual college fair. I want to thank Ms. Driesbach and Ms. Bantz for all their efforts.  
Communications and Wellbeing: teachers and groups of teachers engage in conversations to improve professional and cultural experiences. How to navigate difficult conversations during a crisis.  
City Science Fair Symposium Sessions at IIT: 21 students will be presenting their research. And 15 students will present their science project at the STEM at IIT.  
Athletics Department-SALT Training: Positive Coaching Alliance- speakers to talk to parents about assessing students' goals and teaching life skills through sports.  
863 Freshmans accepted a seat at LT. 17 LTACs chose different schools.  
Announcement: work on the parking lot is scheduled during spring break.
- B. PPLC: Rebecca Daly and Mario Nunez  
  
We met yesterday- but could not formally approve things, because there were not enough members. There will be a special meeting next week. We need to extend the teacher's survey.
- C. Friends of Lane: Lisa Applebaum

- As of 2/20/2024 the Annual Appeal raised \$257K
- Cubs Charity Donation application in progress; due 3/15
- Store sales \$91K
- Teacher Grants in Progress
  
- Parent Social/Guest Bartender Event at Commonwealth 2/29/2024; raised approximately \$7K
- Movie screening of LIKE on 2/21/2024 had around 100 attendees
  
- College Parent Panel is 4/9/2024. Planning on having parents with broader experiences participate
- Northeastern Illinois University has a Latinx family day on 3/16/2024. Mark Smithivas from FOL will be there.
  
- Gala will be 5/3/2024 at Theatre on the Lake
- Tickets go on sale soon. \$150/each with an early bird discount of \$25 off for 2 weeks (\$125)
- Teacher cost will be \$100
- Sponsorship packages and extras available. Sponsorship package will be \$500 and includes 2 tickets, VIP entrance and seating and recognition at the event
- Looking for donations for the Gala/Auction
  
- Principal Reception on 4/16/2024 for donors \$2500+
- Principal Reception on 3/19/2024 for donors \$5000+
  
- FOL Community Meeting on 3/5/2024 was the Tour of Lane; there were about 40 people; the teachers were there to tell about what FOL donations helped with
- FOL Community Meeting on 4/6/2024 will be the College Parent Panel
- FOL Community Meeting on 5/7/2024 will be at Village Tap; End of Year Meeting/FOL Thank Yous/Check Presentation
  
- Class of 2028 Parent Page is up on Facebook
- There will be 2 New Parent Welcome and info nights: 5/15/2024 at Borellis and 5/22/2024 at Third Rail Tavern
  
- Store has a new color of flannel pants and new rainbow t-shirts
- There were 2 Meet & Greets for incoming freshman families. The store was open for both, as well as the Saturday after the decisions were released.
- Between 2/23/2024 and 3/5/2024 the store sold approximately \$21K
- There will be an LTAC Meet & Greet on 4/2/2024 and the store will be open
- Friday 3/22/2024 & Thursday 4/11/2024 (Report Card Pick-up) will be special discount days for staff in the store: 20% off (every day is 10% off for staff)

D. Students: Sean Groh/ Own Frasor/ Devine Osujui

**Student Council:** Happy Pi Day!! The Executive Board just finished up International Days (as the resolution said), and the Student Council was very excited to hold this cherished event. Bringing in over 700 students, the gym and auditorium blasted the music of 30 ethnic clubs, and it was so much fun to be a part of.

The senior Student Council is still planning prom, and more details about buying a ticket will be released at the beginning of spring break after AP Dresser sends out eligibility emails to seniors.

The freshmen Student Council has been selling shamrock lollipops the past three days to help promote more Student Council events in the springtime. Have a great week everyone!

**Omega:**

- Lane Tech Choir competed at IHSA two weeks ago and placed 2nd in the State. This continues their multi-year record of placing at state. They are poised to re-take their 1st place title next year.
- -Special Congratulations to Mrs. McKinstry for this outstanding result during her first year as one of Lane's Choir teachers alongside Mr. Carrera.
- All pianists from Lane received a Superior rating in their respective IHSA events, the highest rating possible.
- The Omega program has begun planning for their annual Humanities Festival where students get to showcase their talents ranging from art, music, poetry, literature/writing, etc.
- The Omega Program has continued work on Omega 2.0 to create a more civics driven program--more to come in the future.
- 108 students have been appointed as election judges and will be working the polls at precincts across the city this Tuesday, March 19th.
- The Lane Tech College Fair took place yesterday special thanks to the CCC and Counseling Departments.
- April 9th is the school-administered SAT for 11th grade students.
- PSAT is on the 16th.
- March 20th is the Ukulele Unity Concert at 3:30 PM.
- Students also recently took the Seal of Biliteracy Exam.

**Alpha:** Currently Lane Tech Alpha students who advanced from the Regional fair are competing at the City Science Fair for the Symposium on March 14th and/or Exhibition on March 15th at Illinois Institute of Technology, these students hope to win gold and advance to the State Science Fair and hopefully a Lane student can advance to the International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF). (Which is why I am not there for the LSC meeting)

On 2/21 there was mentoring for the Alpha Freshmen by the upperclassmen.

The Alpha Program is preparing to challenge the Omega Program to take away their title as the Dodgeball champions on March 21st.

There have been multiple insightful opportunities to learn more about colleges with there being opportunities for college trips, meeting college reps, and having questions answered, so thanks to the College and Career Center.

E. Alumni Association: from Michelle Weiner (See Attached)

F. BAC - None

9. Old Business

A. Surveys - Parents, Teachers and Students

**Motion:** To extend the survey to March 22, 2024

**By:** Ben Wong

**Second:** Jamie Fleischmann

**Vote:** Unanimous, in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion Passes

B. LSC Elections

**Motion:** To have a Special Budget Vote Meeting on Thursday, April 17 at 5:00 PM, and a Closed Meeting on Principal Evaluation

**By:** Ben Wong

**Second:** Susannah Gottlieb

**Vote:** Unanimous, in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion Passes

10. Announcements

Principal Thompson: Reminder: LSC elections on April 11, 2024. Please come and vote.

11. Adjournment

**Motion:** to Adjourn

**By:** Anne Lokken

**Second:** Susannah Gottlieb

**Vote:** Unanimous, in favor

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Result:** Motion Passes

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ana Scales  
LSC Secretary





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MARCH 14, 2024 | SY23/24

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

1. Curriculum & Instruction | (C&I)
2. Postsecondary Success | (PS)
3. Connectedness & Wellbeing | (C&W)

## School Priorities SY 23-24

1. Curriculum & Instruction
2. Success of ALL Learners
3. School Accountability & Student Safety

### Domain 1 | Organizational Leadership

Oversees systems, structures, and processes for continuous improvement Vision, mission & goals   Strategic planning & budgeting   Change management   Continuous improvement	CIWP
The MTSS team is finalizing Academic Plans in preparation to administer the intervention to students receiving an F at the end of Quarter 3. The MTSS Team will work with students and teachers to monitor completion of academic plans and gather efficacy data as the plans are completed.	C&I
The Mission and Vision committee sent surveys to the community regarding what they would like us to consider in our mission and vision process.	
The Director of Admissions has been organizing our nursing files. All current files have been sorted, alphabetized by grade and placed back in files.	
On March 7, 2024, Alpha teachers met to discuss the goals for the Alpha - vertical alignment across the disciplines. They are ensuring that all of our students are ready for transitioning into the next level of each course.	C&I
Assistant Principals continue to conduct check-ins with each course team leaders to reflect, celebrate, and set goals for leadership work using the district's Distributed Leadership Framework.	C&I
All 7th and 8th graders, as well as all students with an IEP received a vision and hearing exam through the district.	
The auditorium sound system debuted at the February winter musical with great reviews and the auditorium rigging will receive its annual inspection over spring break.	
Dean Cheatham has been managing restorative and disciplinary cases on his own while looping in Ms. Escobar, the Climate and Culture Director, as well as Mr. Smith, the Head of Security. Their help, coupled with the support from the administration, has allowed for a smooth transition to a temporary one-dean campus.	
The Tech Department received a commitment from ITS regarding refreshing 25% of our Chromebook fleet a year, meaning we can give incoming freshmen brand new chromebooks every year.	
Our E-Rate upgrade is close to being finished as Candor Electric completes their work next week. The wireless network changeover will occur March 18, 2024	

Our Cluster Department's apartment ( Room 157 A) will receive a new bathroom door for increased privacy during Spring Break.	
LTAC 7th and 8th grade teachers have team meetings weekly to discuss student concerns and progress in courses.	C&I
The Omega team has continued work on Omega 2.0 to create a more civics driven program.	C&I
The Athletic Director held a "Coaches Wrap Up" session for winter sports. His goal is to provide best practices for our coaches. He is also having individual meetings with winter coaches to assess the season and develop goals and strategies for next season.	
The Student Support (SEL) Team continues to have meetings on how to support staff and students in all things SEL. This team is managed by Social Worker Laura McLaughlin	
The Student Mental Health Advocate Team will be organizing a Lane Tech Mental Health Fair. Students will accompany staff to recruit CPS vendors to participate at the MH Fair	C&W
<b>Domain 2   Instructional Core</b>	
Oversees systems, structures, and processes for continuous improvement Courses and Content   Instructional Strategies   Assessment data	<b>CIWP</b> Connection
The Director of Admissions has submitted schedules for 250 students with IEPs. She is working to ensure that students taking co-taught classes truly need it, and supporting their independence when transitioning into non-co taught classes.	C&I
Through Take Charge Tuesday , we have hosted representatives from a variety of colleges. Juniors have learned about applying to college for engineering from UIUC's team, preparing for music auditions from a representative from VanderCook College, and learned about writing "Why Us" essays from Tulane's regional representative.	PS
Two Lane counselors and Mr. Bobek accompanied twenty Lane students to CPS' annual Skilled Trades Fair where they learned about construction related trades and exchanged information with potential unions/ training programs.	PS
The Class of 2024 has 2,514 acceptances recorded in Schoolinks.	
Second semester professional learning continued during the week of March 11th with two pathways for staff: "Instructional Feedback" presented by the Instructional Leadership Team or a Book Study with course-team-chosen texts aligned to our school-wide goals. The second session of professional learning for staff focused on verbal strategies for giving feedback in the classroom.	C&I
Students in the Champion Coaches program will continue to receive the T2 Intervention aimed to increase engagement in school and academic success. Our MTSS coordinator is compiling data reports to track school-wide trends to inform decisions to bolster T1 supports for all students.	
Lane Tech Academic Center's Student Teacher Assistants and Senior Leaders continue study cohorts and tutoring for LTAC students.	C&I
The Lane Tech Academic Center's Director and teachers conducted Illinois Assessment of Readiness testing this week to 7th and 8th graders.	

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530 Lane Tech juniors are enrolled in before/after school SAT Prep.	C&I
The College and Career Center and Counselors hosted the annual College Fair last night which was a huge success with more than 200 college representatives.	PS
<b>Domain 3   Climate &amp; Culture</b>	
Ensures that organizational norms, routines and systems equitably promote the students' intellectual, social, and emotional development Family & community engagement   Connectedness & wellbeing   Systems & structures	<b>CIWP</b> Connection
Our annual International Days/Nights was a success with more than 30 clubs that participated during two fully sold out shows and a record breaking matinee show.	C&W
Lane hosted a HSAT session on March 9th for 65 students new to CPS. We also hosted 2 nights of Meet & Greet. As of Monday, 843 students have accepted a seat, 75 accepted offers elsewhere (including 77 of our LTAC students), 27 declined, and 186 did not yet respond. The Principal Discretion applications process closes March 15, 2024.	
On March 14, 2024, 21 students will be presenting their science fair research paper at the City Science Fair - Symposium Sessions at Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT). On March 15th, 15 high school students plus one 8th grader will be presenting their science fair project at the 74th Exhibition of Student STEM Research at IIT. The Awards Ceremony will be in person at IIT on Saturday, March 16th at 1PM sharp.	C&I
On Tuesday, March 19, 2024, Alpha seniors will be heading to the Museum of Science and Industry to have one final STEM experience together before graduation.	C&W
On Wednesday, March 20, 2024, during Champions Hour, Alpha students participating in the upcoming May 2024 spring science fair will meet their mentors for the fourth time to discuss their projects.	C&I
On Thursday, March 21, 2024, after school in Gym I, the annual Alpha-Omega Dodgeball Tournament will be taking place. Omega currently holds the trophy for their win last year.	C&W
Lane Tech students have removed over 16k demerits by setting a Goal Week so far this year.	C&W
The Attendance Office communicated with all ineligible Lane seniors, providing information on how they could set a goal to ensure their eligibility for prom, with an extended deadline of May 10, 2024. Two hundred fifty seniors responded to the Goal Setting form, either electronically via the form or in person with their attendance advocate in the main office.	C&W
The Athletics Department is hosting a parent meeting that summarizes our SALT training. A guest speaker from Positive Coaching Alliance will be coming to talk to parents about assessing their children's goals and desires and teaching life skills through sports. SALT CONFERENCE TOPICS: "Making Teammates Better. Leadership: positive and productive communication / conflict resolution" and "How all athletes can contribute to leadership on the team."	C&W
The Director of Culture and Climate has been celebrating Women's History Month with letters to important women and female staff pictures around the building. We are also celebrating Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month which will include a Unified Talent Show on Friday, March 22, 2024.	C&W
Per the federal government's data, 597 seniors submitted the FAFSA as of February 28, 2024. Parents without SSNs are now able to make FSA IDs but they are taking up to 25 days to process. Ms. Driesbach has completed one FAFSA with a student with undocumented parents. During	PS

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advisory on Wednesday seniors completed a survey to help us identify who need support with the FAFSA.	
Vendors have been booked for prom: DJs, decorations, hotel, etc..	C&W
My Brother's Keeper Male mentorship group meets with mentors every other week to discuss grades, life updates, classes, etc.	C&C
Based on the results of a survey of Black and Latino male Juniors , Counselor Mr. McCullen is planning a visit to UIC and IIT on Tuesday, April 16, 2024.	PS
The MTSS team has been preparing for a universal SEL screener to be given at the start of fall '24. The tentative plan is to administer to all students, then follow-up with students of greatest need with SDQ. T2 or T3 supports will be assigned from there.	
The dean is making routine check-ins on students that have exhibited concerning behaviors in the past or students who still need support to ensure that the school environment stays as safe as possible.	C&W
The deans make regular visits around the community during lunches to double check on how students are behaving.	C&W
There will be a Lane Tech Academic Center field trip to Romeo and Juliet at Chicago Shakespeare Theater.	C&W
The Lane Tech Academic Center Director continues to share a monthly newsletter with families and hosts a monthly parent meeting.	C&W
The Omega council of students organized the Omega peer workshops to increase Omega awareness and further the mission and vision of the program.	C&W
The Diverse Learners Department (Inclusion, Cluster and 504) presented to incoming 9th grade students and parents at Meet and Greet on February 29, 2024 and March 5, 2024.	C&W
The Alpha students created Alpha BIPOC + LGBTQ Monthly student-led presentations to celebrate Women's History Month. They presented to all levels of Alpha English classes	C&W
Lane's LTAC Social Worker organized an SEL /Kindness Week for our LTAC students.	C&W
The LTAC Student Council is organizing a board game night and Earth Day clean up	C&W
The Student Mental Health Advocate Team will be attending & presenting at CPS's 2nd annual Mental Health Summit. The presentation will be about the re-entry student support offered at Lane Tech.	
The March mental wellness bulletin board's theme combines mental health & disability awareness.	
<b>Domain 4   Talent</b>	
Ensures identification, development, and retention of diverse talent and cultivates leadership Identification & role definition   Development & evaluation   Professional culture & retention   Leadership teams & development	<b>CIWP</b> Connection
Principal Thompson conducts quarterly evaluation checkpoint meetings with Assistant Principals to monitor their progress with their respective department goals and professional practices.	C&I

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Principal Thompson and Assistant Principals meet with individual teachers or groups of teachers to engage them in conversations around improving their professional or cultural experiences in the school. This includes partnering with standing committees such as the ILT, PPLC, CIWP Team, and PPC to develop/discuss staff survey data. Administrators also meet with individual teachers to process their feedback about various school initiatives.	C&I
The Assessment Vote Process for SY25 is underway and more than 57 leaders have offered thoughts on whether we should continue with our current assessment plan system. The voting will take place in April.	
Members of the Instructional Leadership Team and the Administration attended Network 14's ILT Institute which focused on planning for learning cycles and Rigor Walks.	C&I
Administrators meet with teachers for both formal and informal observations. During formal observations, administrators conduct a pre-meeting, observation, and post-observation series that allows teachers to share their planning and instructional practices.	C&I
During Spring Break Ms. Driesbach will attend UIUC's admissions advisory board meeting.	PS
Ms. Saylor is helping the Illinois Association for College Admission Counseling plan a training event at DePaul University on March 22, 2024.	PS
Administrators have completed a total of <b>197</b> REACH classroom evaluation observations and 50 non-evaluative walkthrough visits.	C&I
Department Chairs meet with Assistant Principals to increase their leadership capacity in conducting instructional conversations with lead teachers and course teams.	C&I
Course team leaders continue to receive feedback on their goal setting progress and the progression of their team's goals from both administrators and department chairs.	C&I
The Administration offers multiple opportunities for receiving feedback on what would be meaningful professional learning, community support, and resources for staff.	C&I
Assistant Principals attend course team meetings to offer support to teachers as they examine student growth and implement a learning cycle for goals.	C&I
Principal Thompson and Assistant Principal Hart host "New to Lane" teacher meetings to offer support for staff during the second semester. The instructional leadership Team led the process during the first semester.	C&W
Special Education Classroom Assistants received feedback on their progress throughout the school year from teachers and administrators. They are also celebrated for their work with students in weekly Cluster notes.	C&W
The hiring process includes three interview rounds- first with a Department Chair, second with an Assistant Principal and Department chair, and third with the Assistant Principal and Principal.	
The Admin team has gathered a team of teachers who hold an administrative license to allow them to operate in various leadership capacities to continue to reinforce	

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## LSC REPORT 3.14.24

**SCHOLARSHIPS:** Call for applications has launched! Our final offering grew to 39 scholarships valued at \$282,000 since last month's report. The delay in FAFSA data to institutions and resulting delay in financial offers to students may require that we extend or application deadline significantly and make final awards in June, well after graduation. [Post Secondary Success](#)



**WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH:** Earlier this week the LTAA installed the exhibit chronicling the unique history of women at Lane Tech. We urge everyone to visit it while it's on display.

Please also take a moment to view the commemorative plaque installed near the entrance to the Civics Room. [Connectedness & Wellbeing](#)

**ALL CLASS REUNION IN AZ:** The LTAA hosted alumni from all over the country and from the classes of 1952 through 2012 at Sloan Park in Mesa on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Our group was adjacent to SIU and UIC and Lane Tech had more fans than both universities! Several attendees are scholarship donors and were excited to hear news about Lane and the current students. [Connectedness & Wellbeing](#)



**RING CEREMONY:** We are looking forward to hosting the breakfast reception and witnessing the ring ceremony for the Girls Flag Football team on March 20<sup>th</sup>. [Connectedness & Wellbeing](#)



**MARCH HISTORY QUIZ:** The recent student walk-out precipitated a flurry of reactions from various community stakeholders but protests, including walkouts at Lane have been a part of our school's history including actions in support of civil rights and in opposition to the war in Vietnam. 53 years ago next week, (on March 21<sup>st</sup>), Lane students held their second walkout in a single month, leaving class and walking downtown to CPS headquarters. What were the students protesting then?

*See the attached copy of the publicly posted announcement at Lane from 1971 from your answer.*

*Respectfully submitted by Michelle Weiner '76, LTAA Executive Director.*

### NOTICE OF WALK-OUT

Due to the lack of response from the Board of Education on the matter of changing Lane Technical High School into a Co-educational facility, more action should be taken to protest this ever increasing response to our technical education facilities-thus another walk-out.

Our first walk-out was enough to get our problem to be heard by the public via News reports. But was not enough to move the Board into taking repealing action on females entering Lane.

The public doesn't understand our problem of being the only technical school of its type still left in the city of Chicago. Once girls enter, the school will become just a general High School like the others before it. School officials say they will keep the curriculum the same, but when the quota of girls begins to drop they will make it more interesting to the girls by introducing subjects such as Home Economics, cooking, sewing, and later Basic business training.

The girls feel that we can offer more to them but the technical program is available at any other general high school but is not so prominent because of the lack of interest by the students.

We must get the public to sympathize with us and make this into a major issue. Our last walk-out wasn't totally effective. We didn't change the Boards' minds. We must go over their heads so we will visit the mayor at his office downtown on March 23, 1971. We will leave our classes at 9:10 to walk to the mayor's office. To make our walk effective the whole student body should present itself at the mayor's office on this date.



# *A Resolution*

*of the Lane Tech Local School Council*

## *Honoring Lane Tech's Academic Decathlon Team*

*Whereas, Lane Tech is known as the School of Champions having a rich century-old tradition of academics, athletics and the Arts;*

*Whereas, the Academic Decathlon Team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Illinois High School Academic Decathlon State Championship hosted by UIC, with an amazing score of 46,292 points, and now moves on to Nationals, for the third time in our school's history;*

*Whereas, the following Lane Tech students helped lead the team to victory and earned the following medals and honors:*

- Drew Hogan, Overall Gold in the Honors Division: Gold medals in Literature, Music, Social Science, Science, and Essay; Silver medal in interview; Bronze medals in Math, Art, and Speech; Drew, a freshman, was the highest scorer across all teams and divisions with a score of 8,792.5 pts, thus making them the State champion and a force to be reckon with for years to come;
- Elijah Jackson, Overall Bronze in the Honors Division: Silver medals in Math and Social Science; Bronze medals in Economics and Literature;
- Mike Majewski, Honors Division: Silver medals in Literature, Music, Social Science, Science, and Essay; Bronze medal in Literature;
- Em Molina, Overall Silver in the Scholastic Division: Silver medal in Speech; Bronze medals in Art, Social Science, Science, and Economics; She won the Speech Showcase award and spoke so powerfully and with such grace and maturity that there were few dry eyes left by the end of her performance;

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- Lin Urizar, Scholastic Division: Gold medal in Interview; Silver medals in Music and Art; Bronze medals in Literature and Social Science;
- Dan Gavazzi, Scholastic Division: Silver medals in Essay and Interview;
- Ila Lewis, Overall Silver in the Varsity Division: Gold medals in Music and Social Science; Silver medals in Science and Art; Bronze medal in Art;
- Michaela Wagner, Varsity: Gold medal in Interview; Bronze medals in Music and Art;
- Suha Kazi, Varsity: Gold medal in Interview; Silver medal in Speech; Bronze medals in Literature and Social Science;
- Zora McDermott, Captain: Zora led the team with unwavering determination, hope, willpower, and a contagious sense of humor, serving as an indispensable support system, confidant, and champion for her team. Her selfless dedication to her teammates' success sets her apart as a true Lane Tech Champion;

*Whereas, the members of the Lane Tech Academic Decathlon Team have once again added their names 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 the Lane Tech Academic Decathlon Team as well as the aforementioned students for their outstanding dedication and achievements and look with pride to their continued success.*



# *A Resolution*

## *of the Lane Tech Local School Council*

### *Honoring Our Lane Tech Chess Team*

*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, teamwork, fair play and spirit which are the true hallmarks of a champion;*

*Whereas, under the guidance of Lane Tech Social Sciences Teacher Steven Parsons, the Lane Tech Chess team went 6-1 in the 2023-24 IHSA State Chess Championship, bested by eventual State Champion Stevenson High School; the team tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> place but finished in 8<sup>th</sup> place (due to tie-breakers) out of 128 teams at the 50<sup>th</sup> IHSA State Chess Championships in Peoria, Illinois, Lane's best finish in more than 40 years;*

*Whereas, the following players' performances stood out:*

- *Dario Pjevic went undefeated going 7-0 as the Team's 2<sup>nd</sup> Board and earning the Gold Medal;*
- *Whitman Kosak, went undefeated, earning 6.5 points as the Teams 3<sup>rd</sup> Board and earning the Gold Medal;*

*Whereas, each of the following chess players have added their names to and enhanced the legacy of Lane Tech as the School of Champions;*

**CHES TEAM – CHES COACH STEVEN PARSONS (2001-2010; and 2022-24); \* captain**

Avi Kaplan\*  
Dario Pjevic  
Whitman Kosak

Patrick Neibel-Sprulli  
Megan Wong\*  
Andy Seo

Isabel Zemke  
Marko McRae  
Natalia Hoffman

*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 the aforementioned students for their outstanding achievements and look with pride to their continued success.*

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# *A Resolution*

*of the Lane Tech Local School Council*

*Honoring USCF National Champion Avi Kaplan*

*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, National Chess Master Avi Kaplan was named USA National Champion after winning the 11th Grade National Championship sponsored by the United States Chess Federation this past December 2023, going undefeated and winning 6.5/7 pts;*

*Whereas, Avi Kaplan is a "National Master," and the highest-rated" classical player in the City of Chicago under the age of 18; a Top 100 classical chess player in the USA under the age of 21 and the #1 blitz player in Illinois under the age of 21;*

*Whereas, Avi Kaplan 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 Avi Kaplan for his outstanding achievements and look with pride to his continued success.*

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# *A Resolution*

*of the Lane Tech Local School Council*

## *Honoring Our 2023-24 Lane Tech Wrestling Team*

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

*Whereas, the student-athletes of Lane Tech continue to exhibit the dedication, sacrifice, teamwork, fair play and spirit which are the true hallmarks of a champion;*

*Whereas, the Lane Tech Wrestling Team had a very successful 2023-24 Winter Season and produced yet another City Championship and State Qualifiers;*

*Whereas, the Lane Tech Varsity Wrestling Team won its third straight CPL City Championship and finished with a score of 288 points, 98 points ahead of Taft's 190 points;*

*Whereas, the Lane Tech Varsity Wrestling Team had five (5) individual CPL Champions, 10 individuals qualified for the sectional tournament and three advanced to the Class 3A State meet.*

*Whereas, the girls team qualified four individuals to sectionals and crowned two (2) City Champions;*

*Whereas, the Lane Tech Junior Varsity Wrestling Team won the CPS City Championship and finished with a score of 269 points, over 81 points ahead of Sullivan's 187.5 points;*

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*Whereas, each of the following wrestlers have added their names to and enhanced the legacy of Lane Tech as the School of Champions;*

**VARSIITY STATE QUALIFIERS**

- *Fernando Lopez – 150 lbs*
- *Alex Valentin) – 113 lbs*
- *Julian Hutchinson – 285 lbs*

**VARSIITY WRESTLING INDIVIDUAL CITY CHAMPIONS**

- *Alex Valentin – 113 lbs (3x City Champ)*
- *Robert James Zavala – 126 lbs*
- *Larry Posey – 132 lbs*
- *Captain Fernando Lopez – 150 lbs (3x City Champ)*
- *Julian Hutchinson – 285 lbs*

**GIRLS VARSITY WRESTLING INDIVIDUAL CITY CHAMPIONS**

- *Nyah Lovis*
- *Lily Cohen*

**JUNIOR VARSITY WRESTLING INDIVIDUAL CITY CHAMPIONS**

- *Jose Curiel – 106 lbs*
- *Miguel Quiahua – 120 lbs*
- *Joaquin Salameda – 126 lbs*
- *Abbas Abdulmir – 132 lbs*
- *Cole Callace – 150 lbs*
- *Vaughn Miller – 157 lbs*

**MEN'S VARSITY WRESTLING TEAM – HEAD COACH MATT YAN, ASST. COACHES ALAN MUELLER, QUINTON SMITH, ROBERT ZAVALA, LIAM CUMMINS, AND JOVEN SALAMEDA**

Evan Coles	Cesar Mucha	Michael Birhala
Alex Valentin	Vermaat	Nick Berger
Angel Santana	VanderBrug	Maddox Bartoli
Robert Zavala	Fernando Lopez	Joaqin Gigante
Larry Posey	Eyob Abebe	Julian Hutchinson

*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 the aforementioned students for their outstanding achievements and look with pride to their continued success.*

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# *A Resolution*

## *of the Lane Tech Local School Council*

### *Honoring Lane Tech's International*

#### *Days and Nights*

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

*Whereas, under the guidance of the Lane Tech Student Council Sponsors, Rebecca Atwood and Maureen Bradish, the Lane Tech Student Council Executive Board, and the I-Days Club Presidents, the 54<sup>th</sup> International Days and Nights effectively showcased the diverse array of cultures through its presentation;*

*Whereas, the considerable dedication and effort invested over the course of several months - from ordering the costumes and cultural artifacts to designing the choreography in preparation for this annual event - is valued and appreciated;*

*Whereas, the following Lane Tech student leaders played an intrical part in this success:*

*Sean Grah –  
STUCO President  
Emely Gutierrez -  
STUCO Vice-President (C/O '24)  
Morgan Larvick –  
STUCO Treasurer  
Mimi Flores –  
STUCO Secretary  
Gavin O'Brien –  
STUCO Vice-President (C/O '25)  
Isabella Robinson –  
STUCO Vice-President (C/O '26)  
Valeria Hernandez-Martinez -  
STUCO Vice-President (C/O '27)*

*Jamila Hull-Delgado & Jazlyn  
Ortiz - ABC  
Laila Martinez - Aspira  
Ernesto Salgado - Aztlan Club  
Tia Montgomery & Veda Cole  
- BSA  
Genevieve Winston -  
Cambodian Thai Club  
Linh-Chi Duong & Jonathon  
Himawan - Chinese Club  
Isabella Araque - Colombian  
Club  
Karina Duic - Croatian Club*

*Andrea Aguilar - Cuban Club  
Evan Colon & Monica Zuniga  
- Ecuadorian Club  
Isaura Cardenas - España  
Club  
Jasmyne Juz - Filipino Club  
Lucille Favorite-Perdoux, &  
Genevieve Magoullas -  
French Club  
Gwen Ryan & Nico Valentino  
- German Club  
Anna Phassos & Alex  
Vasilopoulos - Hellenic Club*

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*Connor Schimmel - Irish Club*

*Grayson Fox - Israeli Club*

*Isabelle Hrubec, Briana*

*Nunez - Italian Club*

*Izumi Phuah & Angela*

*Truong - Japanese Club*

*Hazel Bae - & Jocelyn Hale,*

*Korean Club*

*Riya Jain, & Anyah*

*Elakkatt - India Club*

*Jocelyn Mora & Lamija Cenon*

*- Middle Eastern Club*

*Aaliyah Rivera, & Daria*

*Williams - Nicaraguan Club*

*Victoria Quiroga, Miah Reyes*

*& Nathaniel Lorden - OLAS*

*(Organization of Latin*

*American Students)*

*Sana Haidari & Ashley*

*Crowley - Pakistani Club*

*Tukin Surgit - Palestinian*

*Club*

*Alexandra Sankowska &*

*Olivia Pluta - Polish Club*

*Adelaide Samson, and*

*Patrick Gallagher -*

*Polynesian Club*

*Tucker Morrison - Russian*

*Club*

*Francis Woods & Emily*

*Valova - Serbian Club*

*Benjamin Dopp & Katherine*

*Walling - Ukrainian Club*

*Vo Minh & Ma Katie -*

*Vietnamese Club*

***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 the aforementioned students for their outstanding dedication and achievements and look with pride to their continued leadership and success.***

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