

Leigh Home and School Club
Meeting Minutes
February 24, 2020

Introductions & Welcome: 7:05pm

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I. Principal's Report – Kara Butler

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II. Approving the Minutes

- A. Motion to approve the January minutes: Motion made (Kelly M.), motion seconded (Amy G.), motion passed.

III. Measure K Update (Aine O'Donovan)

- A. Please vote! We need 66.67% to pass it.
- B. Our final community walk day is Feb 29. There are two times, morning in Leigh area and afternoon in Del Mar area.

IV. Principal's Report – Kara Butler

- A. The students are celebrating Black History month, getting ready for prom, and much else.
- B. All sophomores take PSAT at end of March.
- C. Letters with students' courses for next year will be going out soon.

V. Teacher's Report – Celeste Smiley

- A. Our staff directory is complete, with staff photos and bios. We've never had this before. You can find it on the Leigh website.

- B. They launched their Teacher READ campaign. You can see the posters outside the library and in teacher classrooms. The posters show teachers reading.
- C. Economics classes are working on personal finance modules.
- D. Theater has “The Lady Cries Murder” opening this Friday.
- E. On 2/8 Leigh competed in the Science Bowl for the first time.
- F. Psychology class had a guest speaker from Google come in to discuss Industrial Organizational Psychology.
- G. Science Olympiad attended the GGSO Invitational.
- H. The GSA hosted a presentation and discussion about the Stonewall Riots and more.
- I. Celeste talked about a ballot initiative that CHSTA is collecting signatures for, to try to get it on the November ballot: It’s an initiative that will basically repeal Prop 13 (the 1970s Prop 13) for commercial businesses with property worth over \$1 million. If the initiative gets on the ballot and passes, it would allow property taxes to rise with market value of commercial property.
- J. See her written report for more information.

VI. District Updates

A. Board (Stacey Brown)

1. We’re in the middle of an LCAP cycle, which is a 3-year cycle. You should have received a parent survey. The survey results will go into the LCAP. There will be a hearing in May and an approval by the board in May or June. Leigh has an LCAP team and you can still join – let Kara Butler know if you’re interested.
2. It’s also the district’s budget preparation time. There will be a budget hearing in May, and the board will adopt the budget in June.
3. The district music festival is in March. The first concert is actually Feb 25, for all the schools’ Jazz Ensembles; this event will be at Leigh. The event with the choirs and orchestras will be in the Heritage Theater on March 31.
4. “For the Kids” is going great. An agreement with the developer was signed January 26. We’re now in a period of due diligence. Then the developer has to get permits from the city. The district expects to start receiving some revenue from the new office building starting about a year from now. The other uses for the land – the memory care and the Montessori – are on hold for now. The memory care

might actually end up going to a Union School District site across the street.

5. How is the district addressing the climate crisis?
 - a) District put in solar about 10 years ago, which generates about 85% of the schools' electricity consumption off those solar panels, but with the new buildings and pools coming in, the district is looking at increasing solar capacity and getting battery storage with goal of having 100% renewable energy and going off grid.
 - b) They want to replace the buses with EV vehicles; applied for grants a couple of years ago and didn't get them; and so now they are reapplying for the grants.
 - c) Will address questions about the district's natural gas use at the next meeting.
 - d) All the district sites are getting EV chargers which will be open to public use. They will be near the solar arrays.

B. Facilities

1. The remodels at the various schools are coming along.

C. Finance

1. No update now, but Paula will have an update at the next meeting.

VII. College & Career Center Report – Nathalie Goricanec

- A. The Career Fair went well. 53 people presented about their careers to 340 students.

VIII. Booster Reports

A. Spirit Boosters – Clare sent in her report (presented by Kara)

1. Comp Cheer won CCS.
2. At Nationals in Anaheim, the team got 3rd place. Kara Butler was the Cheer Advisor this year and accompanied the team.
3. The season is now over with a break in March before tryouts in April or early May.
4. Cheer will be selling leis again this year at graduation and is currently taking pre-orders.

B. Sports Boosters – Kristina

1. They bought a ball machine for the Tennis Department.
2. They are planning to replace all the CCS banners for individual sports (swimming, track & field, golf, tennis, cross-country, wrestling).

3. They have more money available to spend. If anyone has suggestions about sports that are in need, submit a request to Sports Boosters.

C. PAPA – Sean Simonson

1. Crab Feed made more than \$19,000
2. Now they are reviewing senior scholarship applications and they are looking for volunteers to read essays.
3. See his written report for more information.

IX. Longhorn Stampede Update

- A. We're doing well with sponsorships.
- B. We need volunteers – if you can pass out flyers, hand out t-shirts, write something for the newspaper – there are all kinds of different tasks, just contact Aine and they will find a task that you'll like.
- C. We had 450 runners last year and we hope to have more this year.
- D. Currently the entry fee is \$35. It goes up to \$40 on March 1.

X. Relay for Life (Carol Hofheimer)

- A. Relay for Life is April 24 at 6pm to April 25 at 6pm.
- B. They're a little behind on registration and sponsors this year, so they are pounding the pavement.
- C. They have a fun event planned, with bubble soccer, archery, a huge raffle with a lot of prizes, bounce house, food, walking the track.
- D. The peak times are April 24 from 6-10pm and then April 25 morning until 6pm.
- E. You can have a booth without spending the night, if you want.

XI. HSC Board & Committee Reports

A. President – Aine O'Donovan

1. Please let Aine and Tamara know if you're planning to continue on the board next year, or if you're not planning to continue. We also need to recruit new board members for next year. People in Executive Board positions are allowed to serve up to 4 years in the same office or position. Other than that, there are no term limits.

B. Treasurer – Amy Hogg

1. We have a total cash balance of \$110,937.69, of which \$8,417.08 is reserved for CCC Scholarships (\$1,015), Center Stage (\$6,586.95) and Grad Night.

2. Checks issued since the last meeting include staff grants, donation grants, website hosting, and supplies & food for staff appreciation lunches.
3. The 1099s and tax receipts were all issued/sent by 1/31/20, except for a couple of donations for which they don't have email addresses.
4. See her written report for more details.

C. Staff Appreciation – Carol Hofheimer

1. We had a fun Valentine's Day luncheon on Feb 12 and put boxes of candy in each staff member's mailbox.
2. Next event is Staff Luncheon in mid-March.
3. Next year Amanda Bearly and Alexis Hoekstra will be leading the Staff Appreciation committee and there are 2 more new volunteers who will help them.

D. Communications – Amy Gardner

1. Make sure anything you put up on the drive is shared so that Amy can access it for the HSC newsletter. She also appreciates photos that she can include in the newsletter.

E. Volunteer Opportunities – Aine O'Donovan

1. Business & Marketing Class (Feb 26 event) – A local credit union will be presenting "A Byte of Reality" which is a bunch of booths in the auditorium representing a credit union, childcare provider, medical offices, etc, and each student gets an app with information about their life (they get a family, job, salary etc) and then the students have to interact with the various organizations and deal with financial matters, like adults do. Kara is looking for 6 more volunteers to play the part of the various vendors; they provide you with a script so it's easy.
2. Measure K – Feb 29
3. Stampede – prep for May 30
4. Adulting 101 – prep for June 1
5. Next Year's Board

XII. Meeting Adjourned 8:30pm