

Leigh Home and School Club Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes

May 17th, 2021

1. Welcome 7:03 pm
2. Community Updates
 - CUHSD Board President (Kalen Gallagher)
 - i. There's a CUHSD employee recognition event coming up this Thursday 5/20.
 - ii. Thursday 5/27 there will be a budget workshop. They will be looking at what revenues will be coming in, and the cost of reopening schools fully in the fall.
 - iii. The LCAP is more important than ever this year, because there was a lot of learning loss over the past year, so the school board is looking closely at how to get students caught up, and also how to address students' mental health needs.
 - iv. Despite increased funding for schools from the state and federal governments, our district won't be receiving enough of that funding to make up for the \$5 million budget shortfall that will occur if the CUHSD parcel tax expires after 2021-22 without being renewed (voters would need to vote to renew it, and so far they have voted twice against renewing it).
 - v. CUHSD is planning for students to go back to in-person school full-time, 5 days per week in the fall. There is a possibility that an online learning option might be offered for students who want it, but the default option will be in-person learning.
 - vi. CUSHD is moving toward a later bell schedule (later school start time) but Leigh will still be starting school at 8:00 am in the 2021-22 school year. The bell schedule will move later for the 2022-23 school year.
 - Leigh's Teacher of the Year (Ms. Lynette Jackson)
 - i. Thank you to HSC for the beautiful flower bouquet.
 - Principal (Mrs. Butler)
 - i. Construction projects are moving forward. The administrative staff will move back into the main office over the summer. There have been some glitches in the shade structures project: it is taking longer than expected, and Leigh has decided to choose a different company to do this project. For the library project, Mrs. Butler is currently in the process of getting

- quotes for library seating, and the plan is to have the library furniture in place by the time school starts.
- ii. Mrs. Butler mentioned that all the water used for landscape irrigation at Leigh (lawns etc) is recycled water.
 - iii. First day of school is August 11.
 - iv. Student schedules will be released through Aeries starting the afternoon of August 6. While schedules will be released online, students will still come to school in person before school starts to get their pictures taken for ASB cards and so forth.
 - v. Link Crew orientation is August 6. This will be a combined orientation for 9th and 10th graders, since 10th graders didn't receive a freshman orientation.
 - vi. Parents Bootcamps (orientations) will be held for 9th and 10th grade parents. These will be in-person orientations.
 - 1. August 5th at 5pm
 - 2. August 6th at 8:30am
 - 3. August 7th at 10:30am
 - vii. The Haunted House will be outdoors again this fall, since everyone liked the outdoor haunted house in 2020. The Tech Theater students will build the haunted house in the middle parking lot.
 - viii. Many sports are going to CCS playoffs: boys & girls golf, boys & girls basketball, soccer, baseball, softball, and track.
 - ix. A parent asked about sports PE for 9th and 10th graders. Mrs. Butler said that Leigh is currently reaching out to current 9th graders who are eligible for sports PE to let them know. With regard to 10th graders, she is still getting clarification about whether they can qualify. They will also be reaching out to those who qualify for band PE.
- Teacher Rep (Aine O'Donovan shared Celeste Smiley's report)
 - i. Thank you from all the teachers for the coffee cart that HSC provided for Teacher Appreciation Week.
 - ii. In Physics, the Longhorn Cardboard Boat Regatta returns for its 8th year, after a pause for the pandemic last year. The event will be livestreamed on May 26 from 10 am-3:30 pm.
 - iii. See Ms. Smiley's written report for more information.
 - Student Rep (ASB Exec. Board) - No student rep was present at the meeting.
 - College & Career Center (Ms. Goricanec)
 - i. CCC hosted a College & Career presentation for 9th and 10th grade parents on 4/28 that was very well attended.
 - ii. This Wednesday at 1pm is a Transition to Careers Workshop for current seniors.
 - iii. Today was the last on-site AP exam. Digital exams will continue until June 11.
 - Boosters - Sports/Spirit/PAPA
 - i. Sports Boosters (Jenn Lipscomb)
 - 1. The boys' swim team has qualified for CCS too.
 - 2. Waiting to see if the girls' swim team qualifies for CCS at their meet this week.
 - 3. Each senior athlete will receive one copy of the Senior Athlete Program. Additional copies can be ordered.
<http://leighsportsboosters.org/resources/senior-athlete-program/>

4. Planning for the 2021-22 school year is underway.
 - ii. PAPA (Amy Gardner)
 1. PAPA plans to elect their new slate of officers next month. They're currently recruiting 8th and 9th grade parents to expand the number of people who volunteer.
 2. Planning to do the rummage sale in the fall, and hoping also to do the mattress sale sometime during the next school year.
 3. Applications for marching band are due soon.
 4. The Senior Theater Showcase will be on June 4 at 7 pm. It's for seniors and their guests (in person) and others online.
 5. There will be no summer show this year but they are already starting to build models and make plans for the haunted house.
 6. The haunted house is going to cost a lot of money to build so they are counting on the community to buy tickets and support it.
3. Approve April 2021 HSC Meeting Minutes
 - Susan Smith made a motion to approve the April 2021 meeting minutes. Gretchen Gabriel seconded the motion. Motion passed.
 4. HSC President update
 - Review of 2020-21 - a slide presentation prepared by Aine O'Donovan and Tamara Strachman, and presented by Aine.
 - i. They reviewed HSC's mission and goals for 2020-21.
 - ii. Our Annual Giving Drive raised \$32K, Corporate Matching raised \$12K, and HSC also received \$49K in individual donations (major gifts) outside of the Annual Giving Drive.
 - iii. They reviewed how the money was spent in 2020-21.
 - iv. Special thank you to HSC's community representatives.
 - v. Special thank you to HSC's volunteers.
 - HSC Board & Committees for 2021-22
 - i. The full slate is here:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1olpdjKj2dgCn8vaQTX5xwrx0W2PIMIRsOxMh0SCbuM/edit?usp=sharing>
 - ii. Jennifer Lipscomb made a motion to approve the slate. Kerry Haywood seconded. Motion passed with 17 yes votes, 0 no votes, and 1 abstention.
 5. HSC Finances/donations (Amy Hogg)
 - Treasurer Report
 - i. We have a cash balance of \$92,085.69.
 - ii. We're at 108.19% of our budget for the Annual Giving Drive, and at approximately 155% of budget for Corporate Match donations.
 - iii. See her written report for complete details.
 6. Volunteer of the Year is Amy Hogg, HSC Treasurer
 - Kara Butler shared some of the reasons: Amy has been our HSC treasurer for 3 years, and during COVID she pivoted and got everything set up online so that we could function during COVID. Her deep knowledge of finance has been invaluable to HSC, and she has agreed to stay on for a 4th year. The whole board functions well because of Amy's work. For these reasons, and many more, Amy is our

Volunteer of the Year.

7. Staff Grants (Ashleigh Coffeng)

- Christina McQueen (Spanish) requests \$212.80 for Apple AirPods Pro and Booklet.com
- Dr. Anthony Roe (ASB) requests \$1100 for an Adorama High Quality Camera, which will allow ASB to take better photos of all events.
- Jennifer Buonomo (counselor) requests \$800 for Summer Bridge t-shirts. Summer Bridge is a 2-week program over the summer for about 80 current and incoming 9th graders, to help them transition from distance learning to in-person learning. This program is being offered to students recommended by their middle schools as needing help connecting with other students before starting in-person school in the fall.
- Several people asked for more information about whether the Apple AirPods Pro would still be needed after distance learning ends. Ashleigh will ask the requesting teacher for more information.
- Ashleigh Coffeng made a motion to approve the requests for Booklet.com (but not the AirPods), the Adorama High Quality Camera, and the Summer Bridge t-shirts. Gretchen Gabriel seconded the motion. Motion passed.

8. HSC Committee Updates

- Staff Appreciation (Alexis Hoekstra) - Showed photos of coffee cart that HSC supplied for Teacher Appreciation Week.
- Grad Night (Aine O'Donovan) - Will be at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk.
- Mental Health Support (Aine O'Donovan) - HAERT program continues and plans are underway for the Wellness Center.
- Club Support (Anne Haro) - Working to get students more connected and parents more engaged.
- Campus Beautification (no update this month)
- Stampede (Aine O'Donovan) - All the booster groups will work together to make the Stampede happen in-person next year.
- Communications (Amy Gardner) - The May newsletter will be the last HSC newsletter of the school year.

9. Meeting Adjourned 8:57 pm