

# Leigh Home and School Club Board Meeting

## Minutes

January 31st, 2022

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1. Welcome 7:04 PM
2. Student Rep Update (Aashvi Wason, ASB Treasurer)
  - ASB is working on a Lunar New Year's celebration, and also on special ways to recognize Black scientists, artists, etc during Black History Month in February.
  - Also working on Valentine's Day events.
  - Relay for Life kickoff was last week. The event is coming up in April.
  - They put on a great Club Fair last week. It was the second one this year.
  - Senior Class officers are focusing on prom and fundraising.
  - The officers are getting ready to interview next year's officers.
3. Wellness Center Opening - Principal Butler / Kristin Welter
  - Kristin Welter did a PowerPoint presentation about the new Wellness Center, which is now open (opening date 1/25/22). Kristin is a parent at Leigh and she's also a primary care physician, and she's chair of the Leigh HSC Health & Wellness Committee.
  - They started the Wellness Center because studies show that rates of anxiety and depression have been increasing among teens, and so have suicidal behaviors. Mental health is an essential part of overall health, and it's critical to educational and life success.
  - The Wellness Center is in room 29, just off the main quad. It's open all day during the school day except from 11am-noon. It's also open before school. Time in the Wellness is limited to 15 minutes except in special circumstances.
  - The purpose of the Wellness Center is to provide students with a place to take a wellness break, provide education and resilience training, crisis response, coordination of services, and to connect students with a therapist or counselor if needed.
  - Thank you to all the many volunteers who helped, and thank you to Mrs. Butler whose vision this was, and thank you to the Home & School Club for providing breakfast and lunch to the volunteers while they were setting up the Wellness Center.
  - Thanks to Amy Gardner for creating the posters that were put up around campus to advertise the Wellness Center.

- The Wellness Center Coordinator is Carolina Mora Barney. She will be at the Wellness Center all day and will check students in and out. About 70-80 students stopped by the Wellness Center the first week it was open.
- The Wellness Center also has a presence on the Leigh website. To find it, go to Counseling & Support in the main menu, and then click Mental Health & Wellness to go to the [Wellness Center](#) section of the website. You can donate to the Wellness Center online and there will also be a wishlist at Hicklebee's bookstore (link coming soon).

#### 4. Community Updates

- Principal (Mrs. Butler)
  - i. Teachers participated in a professional development day on 1/19 to receive training on Hapara and Canvas.
  - ii. Information nights for parents were very well attended.
  - iii. Students are in the midst of course selection for next year.
  - iv. Leigh is trying to resurrect its Foods (culinary arts) program. They are trying to find a teacher to hire.
- Teacher Rep (Ms. Smiley)
  - i. Thank you for the end-of-semester gifts for the staff, and thank you for the teacher grants.
  - ii. See her written report for updates about the Bell Schedule Committee and a variety of other topics, as well as lots of news from classes, clubs, and activities:  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1sE\\_grcMpBXKfsvAfMf1xSqUzkmD3QCfKM\\_fkaMbBB6o/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1sE_grcMpBXKfsvAfMf1xSqUzkmD3QCfKM_fkaMbBB6o/edit)
- College & Career Center (Ms. Goricanec)
  - i. This spring, the CCC will be offering weekly workshops for sophomores and juniors for Career Exploration and College Application Preparation. Each workshop will be on a specific topic, which will be advertised ahead of time.
  - ii. Ms. Goricanec still has her weekly Friday office hours for parents, but she had to cancel them last Friday and this coming Friday because she has another meeting at that time.
  - iii. They have started the CCC poster project, with posters about topics such as college and career readiness, and how to apply to college.
  - iv. See her written report for more information:  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1vONRFLIKL75Us16lcEdQcnzYKc\\_f3ATJJZMMFzC8yeY/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1vONRFLIKL75Us16lcEdQcnzYKc_f3ATJJZMMFzC8yeY/edit)
- No District rep at the meeting this month.
- Boosters - PAPA/Spirit/Sports
  - i. PAPA (Amy Gardner)
    1. Board members are needed for PAPA for next year.
    2. The 1-act theater festival had to be postponed.
    3. The fall play turned a profit.
    4. The students are planning to present the spring play, Of Mice and Men, in a special space in the theater classroom this spring.
    5. The marching band received several awards from the Western Band Association.
    6. The soup sale did well.

7. PAPA is still thinking about having a mattress sale this year. Details coming soon. The mattress fundraiser will raise money for Winter Guard.
    - ii. No update for Spirit this month.
    - iii. Sports (Jennifer Lipscomb)
      1. Sports Boosters is focusing on getting the coaches involved in Sports Boosters, asking them to come to the meetings and give updates.
      2. The Sports Boosters are excited to see sports up and running!
5. HSC President Update (Susan Smith)
- HSC has received some more large, anonymous donations. The officers are reaching out to Mrs. Butler to find out her priorities for how the money should be used, in addition to speaking with the donors. Once the officers determine priorities, we'll talk at a future meeting about how to spend the money. Susan said she thinks we should direct the money toward big things that we normally wouldn't be able to fund.
6. HSC Committee Updates
- Adulging 101 Committee (Ms. Goricanec)
    - i. The idea behind Adulging 101 is that anyone leaving high school should have good life skills, like being able to balance a checkbook, make a budget, and so forth. A couple of years ago the Adulging 101 Committee put some modules on the [website](#), so that students could use them to learn important life skills. Now they have ideas for more modules and they are looking for volunteers to help create those modules.
    - ii. The plan is to offer the Adulging 101 modules to seniors at the end of the school year, after they take their final exams but before graduation. This might consist of simply telling the students that the modules are available, or there might be some live presentations of the modules in a workshop format, and also to make a recording or the slides of the modules available online. A couple of years ago there were virtual presentations of the modules, and those were well received.
  - Stampede 5K Walk/Run (Aine O'Donovan)
    - i. Website will be launching soon, probably this week.
    - ii. We need volunteers so if anyone is at all interested, please reach out to [stampedeinfo@leighhsc.org](mailto:stampedeinfo@leighhsc.org).
    - iii. Sponsors are also needed.
  - Grad Night (Amy Hogg)
    - i. Tickets are on sale in advance at a deeply reduced price. So far 111 tickets have been sold, and we've raised just under \$1,200 in donations for scholarships for students who can't afford tickets.
    - ii. Planning is off to a great start. It should be a fun event.
  - Staff Appreciation (Amanda Bierly)
    - i. January staff appreciation was cookies.
    - ii. February staff appreciation will be a Potato Bar Luncheon.
  - Campus Beautification
    - i. No report this month.
  - Volunteer Opportunities (Susan Smith)

- i. Adulting 101 Committee needs volunteers, and so does the Stampede. We're also looking for someone who can help the College & Career Center who can help look up enrichment opportunities that can be listed on this web page:  
<https://leigh.cuhsd.org/apps/pages/StudentEnrichmentOpportunities>

## 7. HSC Finances

- Treasurer Report (Amy Hogg)
  - i. We have a total cash balance of \$162,463.82.
  - ii. The Annual Giving Drive is at 171% of budget, and Corporate Matching is at 209% of budget, so we have had an excellent fundraising year.
  - iii. 1099s and tax receipts have all been issued/sent by 1/31/22.
  - iv. For more details, see the treasurer's report at:  
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/15Hi7I6g7Pe0ovk9OYVsSoDLXUyZ80oDr>
  - v. Amy said thank you to Pam, our assistant treasurer, for her assistance this month.
- Present & approve staff grant requests (Ashleigh Coffeng)
  - i. Ms. Vidmar, IM 1, requests \$60 for a Quizziz Super Account, which will allow quizzes to stay open for 2 weeks to give students time to complete them.
  - ii. Ms. Lyon, Physics Olympiad Club, requests \$160 to cover the fee that club members must take as a first step toward ultimately qualifying for the U.S. Team for the International Physics Olympiad Competition. Cost is \$50 per school, plus \$10 per student (there are 11 students).
  - iii. Ms. Pantoja, IM2/IM3 STEM, requests \$455 to purchase 32 scientific calculators (TI-30x calculators). Students are supposed to bring their own calculators, but sometimes students don't have their own because they're expensive, or they forget to bring them. She has a few extras in class but would like to buy a complete set to have enough for everyone. She has found them online on sale at a much cheaper price than they usually sell for.
  - iv. Ashleigh Coffeng made a motion to approve the \$675 total for these three grants. Kerry Haywood seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

## 8. HSC February Newsletter (Amy Gardner)

- There's no January HSC newsletter since the HSC meeting was on the last day of the month, too late to put together a newsletter. Instead we will have a special newsletter going out soon about the Stampede. We will also have a February HSC newsletter.

## 9. Approve December 2021 Meeting Minutes (Susan Smith)

- Amy Gardner made a motion to approve the December 2020 meeting minutes. Ashleigh Coffeng seconded the motion. The motion passed with 76% approving, and 24% abstaining.

## 10. Meeting Adjourned at 8:37 PM.