

LITTLETON HIGH SCHOOL SAC MINUTES  
November 18, 2015

1. Date: Nov. 18, 2015      START TIME: 2:40      END TIME: 4:01      PLACE: MOCR

2. MEMBERS:

- Current Members Present: Allie Molinda, Amy Oaks, Kaia Stulock, Abbey Dexter, Kevin Brooks, Kathy Prestel, Brisa Banuelos, Laura Sandstrom, Gavin Chavez, Michelle Vogt, Mary Quill, Sue Rodgers, Doug Kelley, Laura Griffin, Kathryn Allee
- Absent: Doug Kelley, Emily Fuchs

3. REVIEW OF SEPTEMBER MINUTES:

- Minutes accepted as corrected—Laura G motion, Sue 2nd, Motion passed

4. COMMITTEES:

- PTO: Allie reported that the Executive Board is busy helping with the Theater Opening Gala, there are 250 tickets sold out of 500. And the Audi reception currently has 88 rsvp's (according to Amy O).
- Dec. 2, they are doing a lunch for the classified staff.
- At the last fundraising event-the paint recycling-it gained more money than last year, but fewer participants. They made \$1000.
- They are thinking about doing an event at Brunswick Zone to get parents of juniors and seniors to come in order to see where After Prom is being held and to generate some fundraising as well.
- DAC: Laura S. brought the minutes from the last DAC minutes and she went over them with us. They spent some time meeting and talking to the new Superintendent. He is going to continue Scott Murphy's idea of trying to keep politics out of our education daily activities.
- She talked about enrollment numbers, as of now with pre-registration numbers, the prediction is that Elementary numbers are up, Middle School is down and High School are up. Total, approx.-15,351.
- Some bond projects have been deferred to next year, nothing, though, that would cause any safety issues. No building code violations either.
- Jack Reutzler approved the new Spanish program—which is a good thing according to Laura G and LHS Spanish dept.
- The final sale of the bonds has been approved as well as new calendars for 2015-16 and 16-17. The reason we have bonds left, was that some were held in reserve in order to maybe get a more favorable interest rate-they did.
- DAC talked to the 2 new board members, asked questions and heard introductions.

- Amy talked about getting a student to take on the DAC responsibility, we will hopefully have one by next meeting.
- Student Report: Brisa talked about the Marketing committee meeting the last week of November or first of December. She will let us know the results. They will be working with the rest of StuCo and Political Committee as well.
- Tri-School Leadership Conference is being planned by LHS this year, it will be the first weekend after we get back in Jan.
- Trick or Trunk was HUGE success, had approx. 450 elementary students come through. We had 9 AHS cars and 17 LHS cars, none from HHS.
- There was an early morning meeting in Nov. to talk to the senior about the SWAG issue here at LHS, about 32 seniors showed up and were very positive and had some great suggestions for SWAG activities.

#### 5. NEW BUSINESS:

- Update on Ambassador tours: Kaia reported that she had revamped the Ambassador Tour program this year based on some suggestions from SAC, Admin and students and other faculty.
- These updates included:
  - New Publication magazine (SAC members all got a copy) each parent and student who visited LHS received one of these copies. It has also been given to: MSchool counselors, MSchool Teachers, IBPO, PTO, Area Realtors, ENCORE, Boosters, LHS staff etc...
  - There have been 6, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Visit Days from Oct. to Dec.
  - District and out of district kids were separate. Visits were 2 hours.
  - Made more collegiate—where our Student Ambassadors took the kids on their own for a large portion of the time and then built in some parent/student time together.
  - Started with parent-student time together and heard from 5-8 different people in the building—“quick hits info.” Then they went on tours.
  - While kids were working with our Ambassadors, parents were meeting with admin and counselors to get questions answered.
  - Final walk through of the building to see all the new “flashy” parts—Wall of Fame, new Gym area, new Theater etc...
  - People who are involved: Jrs and Srs students who are the Ambassadors, all the counselors, Josh and Sam A-B, admin, Claudia (IB) and Kaia.
  - Follow-up is an online 8 question survey-very POSITIVE so far!
  - Also, the Ambassadors send a quick online Postcard to each family with some alliteration words, i.e. Love, Learn with LHS....
  - Some numbers: 106 in district families, 176 out of district families. Previous enrollment rate JUST from tours=48-49%, hoping this new program takes that number higher.
  - Question—Why don’t we do Shadowing? Answer: with our block schedule it is really not very feasible to have a kid sit for a long period of time-and if done on a 8 period day, the kids are bored out of their mind because they don’t have to do the work, or there are a lot of tests and quizzes on Weds. Difficult to match the right person for someone

to shadow-personality and interest-wise. Not as much exposure to ALL of LHS—just a small snippet. Lots of pressure on the LHS student to make sure they don't lose or get their 8<sup>th</sup> grader in an inappropriate setting. Finally, not a lot of return for such a labor intensive effort.

- Lion Pride Preview Night: some changes were made here as well.
  - Different speaker at the parent meeting, Amy spoke briefly then brought in a different speaker-Curt Stedron this year. Topic: Why you love LHS and would have your son/daughter come to this school.
  - This year at Lion Pride Preview, decided to focus more on what our culture is really like at LHS rather than on the “nuts and bolts” of the school.
  - Seemed to be a very positive night.
- Future of PR here at LHS:
  - Question: what can we get into the hands of younger kids? We have the theater program that brings over all the 4<sup>th</sup> graders, maybe get purple and gold lion stickers, or lion pencils, magnets, etc...
  - Student Council does Read Across America and gets into all 13 elementary schools, want to do stickers, or bookmarks, or something else tangible to get out to the kids.
  - Re-design the website here at LHS-task force: Cathy B, Laura G, Gavin C, Maureen A, Nancy S and Kaia S. They will get feedback on our website based on the district's website and start making suggestions to the district.
  - Feb. 1 is a deadline for Cathy B to get some new “products” for future lions. We are going to use our current graphic artist who did the Magazines; and have him do bookmarks, postcards etc...Sue R suggested “families of 3” ...bookmark, postcard, half sheet.
  - Allie posed a devil's advocate comment—too much advertising just turns kids off...must find a fine line.
  - LHS is a very PERSONAL school, we have good student-teacher personal relationships as well as staff to staff relationships. THIS is what we market!
  - Thinking about the up-coming Temple Grandin program, maybe we have a speaker forum here at LHS?? Bring in public speakers...use our new theater to its utmost and set up a Speaker Forum. Look at alumni, 50 year alumni, current faculty, community members etc... Would have to look at the cost of such a venture, but might be a good way to market ourselves in a POSITIVE light. Might do 3-4 nights a year. Amy suggested a group of people to help with this idea.

## 6. NEW BUSINESS:

- The TELL survey discussion was tabled until next time.
- And we answered NO, to the question: “Will SAC want or need to administer its own survey?”

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

- Kevin B motion to adjourn, Kaia 2<sup>nd</sup>, Passed, Adjourned at 4:01pm.