



**LACHSA Parent Association
Board Meeting (via Zoom)
March 11, 2024 - 6:00 p.m.**

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| ☒ Dr. Vartanian (Principal) | ☐ Sue Freitag (AP) | ☐ Nick Abruzzo (AP) |
| ☒ Mark Slavkin (Foundation) | ☐ Lisa Cassandra (Foundation) | ☒ Brendan Schallert (President, Music) |
| ☒ Daryl Barbieri (VP, 11th grade) | ☒ Kelly Hatfield (Secretary, 10th) | ☒ Jònelle Berment (Treasurer, Dance) |
| ☐ Griselda Lepe (12th grade) | ☒ Jana Augsberger (CA) | ☒ Dani Klein (CA) |
| ☐ Hortencia Armendariz (Dance) | ☒ Jennifer Sobkoviak (music) | ☐ Lori Saux and Stephen Saux (Theatre) |
| ☒ Laurie Zerwer (Theatre) | ☒ Michael Schlesinger (MT) | ☒ Emmanuel Munda (VA) |
| ☒ Hilary Stern (VA) | ☐ Jamie Saltzman (General Rep) | ☐ Fina Flores (General Rep) |
| ☒ Alexandra Ramirez (9th grade) | ☒ Esmeralda Flores | |

AGENDA

- I. Updates from Administration - Dr. Tina Vartanian/Sue Freitag
 - Senor tea was great - thank you to everyone that helped. It will happen again next year.
 - Art show closes on Saturday- 2-5
 - Send an email if you need anything-Grateful for PAB help
 - One week not 2 for spring break

- II. Updates from LACHSA Foundation - Mark Slavkin
 - LACHSA alum won oscar last night for best short film documentary!
 - Loved the VA show
 - GALA April 27th, need to raise \$500K- ask Mark if any questions
 - Meeting with search firm in early April then will schedule interviews with top candidates

- III. Budget Updates – Jònelle Berment
 - Budget is in good shape
 - Taken in \$24,337.16

- Spent less on college fair
- Spent less on teacher appreciation
- \$13,709.79 is balance (last year was around \$7300 at this time)

IV. Updates from Parent Association – Daryl Barbieri

1. Teacher Appreciation Wellness Event

Great to see teachers so happy at that event. We want everyone to know that if finances are an issue, if there is an issue with payment for something like an AP test, they can go to the admin and PAB can fund the expense. They do check to see if student is on free/reduced lunch

Prom is March 30, which is spring break. Some concerns about that date and it being so early. It's an ASB decision and scheduling is challenging due to weekends being taken up by shows the juniors and seniors are in.

Next teacher appreciation will be in May. Need ideas for that gift-price point is around \$16 per item

2. LACHSA Loves

Thank you to Michael S for the donation to the Wellness Center

Students are starting to take over, which is nice

3. Department One-Sheets - Expectations for New Parents

Daryl is working on connecting with the department heads for these one sheets so there's quick info for the parents- like you will have to pay for your child's tech meals, prom FAQ

4. Parent Outreach: Mentor Families and Grade Level Parent Coffees - Alex Ramirez

Coffee time after drop off- parent led

Parent mentorship program- new parents paired with existing parents

Dr. V said coffee outside at 8:30 am would work

5. PAB Institutional Memory Doc / PAB By-Laws

Our by-laws need polishing- we've evolved since the last time they've been updated. Daryl will spearhead. Let her know if you want to help

Daryl has also started an institutional memory doc for us all to contribute to. She has one more year as a LACHSA parent and is looking for new leadership

V. Committee Updates

1. SDMC update

- Pressure from LACOE about diversity: need 60% Latino- need more outreach to recruit
- Prom and graduation are in full swing
- Hiring another pe teacher
- Teachers getting new computers
- Dept chairs are putting together technology packages
- ASB is waiting on prom contracts
- Grad night is waitlisted for Disney
- School starts Aug 14
- Bell schedule survey- please fill it out. It was emailed by Brendan
- Jonelle mentioned a big barrier she's seeing regarding increasing diversity: transportation to/from LACHSA. Will there be busing in underserved communities? We have TAP cards, but not all parents are comfortable with their kids taking public transportation. Dr. V suggests writing a letter to the board. [Board info can be found here](#). The admin is already advocating for buses. Daryl mentioned that pre-Covid, public transportation was a big part of LACHSA's culture.
- What's driving the change for the bell schedule? -we have to move to a 6th period day legally- it's a CDC decision. The scheduling issue is making sure all 6 classes have the same amount of teaching time
- Alex- how are we leveraging outreach to community based organizations for outreach instead of LACHSA doing all of the outreach? The priority has been outreach to organizations that have a connection to the arts, but with less resources: master classes, presentations,. We're not reaching all of LA County because of our capacity. We are also reaching out to arts teachers, Additionally they ask in admissions how they heard of LACHSA. This data is important so we know who is getting our message and who isn't.. Versastyle could be a resource (rec from Dani). Hilary- Is LACOE helping with any outreach? They advertised an immersion program on their trucks, this helped get the word out.

2. [PAB Committees](#): Relevance & Needs

VI. Grade Level Updates

- a. 9th Grade Updates – Alex Ramirez

Wants to do more community building activities

- b. 10th Grade Updates - Kelly Hatfield

Confusion about summer school classes, hoping for a parent Zoom to clear everything up. It seems that different people are getting told different information.

- c. 11th Grade Updates - Daryl Barbieri

Not many updates- class selections, prom on the horizon- tickets on sale

- d. 12th Grade Updates - Griselda Lepe

No update provided

V. Department Updates

- a. Cinematic Arts – Jana Augsberger & Dani Klein

Sundown 2024, 4/4 first cut due, 4/10-26 feedback sessions, 4/29 final cut due, good for master class speakers

- b. Dance – Jònelle Berment

Department meeting tomorrow- getting ready for spring show, had a master class they all loved

- c. Musical Theatre - Michael Schlesinger

Sister Act- 5/24-5/25

- d. Music - Jennifer Sobkoviak & Brendan Schallert

There are a lot of music shows coming up. 7 day album concert was a big hit. Brendan's daughter won best album!

- e. Theatre - Lori Saux and Stephen Saux & Laurie Zerwer

2nd Year Project is Friday

First year Project is March 29-30

Judas is the spring show

Fourth and Third Year Projects were fantastic!!

[Tech Meals and Concessions Doc](#)

- f. Visual Arts - Emmanuel Munda & Hilary Stern

Art show last Saturday, closing this Saturday

Wellness t-shirt design- awaiting student designs

Fashion Show Event- 2 shows: April 13th, tickets on sale this week.

2pm equity show (\$25/\$10) 7pm benefit show with red carpet pre-show and post show reception- (\$125 for VIP section/\$45 for general admission)- 3 hour event

VII. Closing

Adjourned: 7:13