

La Salle High School
2021 – 2022
La Salle Parent Council (LPC)
Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 7, 2022, 7:00 pm

1. **Attendance:** Aaron Marshall, Terri Carrick, Kisha Dosa, Jen Feeley, Kathleen Habedank, Tamara Birck, Jen Feeley, Ken Garbsch, Sarah Goldschmidt, Crystal Hayes, Tanya Kist, Lisa Muth, Gina Reynolds, Mike Roman

2. **Welcome and Prayer**

3. **Administration Update:**
 - Aaron began by asking what it is that we, as LPC members, would like (both tonight as well as in the future) to be a “good ambassador” for LHS? Feel free to get responses to this question either to Terri or to Aaron.
 - The school just finished celebrating Lasallian Heritage Week. During Mass, retired teachers were recognized for their years of service to La Salle.
 - Foreign Language update:
 - Jeff Royer (French teacher) resigned around Christmas. French students were put on Educere (online program) - could do a study hall, and complete the online content at school, OR take a full 7 courses, and complete French curriculum at home - FRENCH 2 could opt for French 3, 4 via Educere.
 - LATIN: LHS does not offer. The last 3 years Latin was offered, student enrollment went from 32, to 24, to 11. Aaron shared in his 4 years at La Salle, only 2 families have expressed interest in their son taking this language.
 - Next year: LHS will offer French via Educere, as well as Spanish and German in person. *French 1 will not be offered via Educere next year.*
 - *Other languages will not be offered through Educere next year; “Educere is a legitimate, respected on-line platform. However, it*

does not replace the valuable experience of having a teacher. We do not have the staff/resources to offer numerous languages,” per Mr. Marshall.

- Updates on the Master Schedule:
 - 90% of students got “first choice” for electives and classes.
 - The other 10% (mostly incoming freshmen) got their second choice elective (i.e. *Intro to Art*. This 10% was given their second choice of Men’s choir). ~ Incoming freshmen were offered the choice of taking choir, or intro to band; they were also given the option to fulfill this fine arts requirement in a subsequent year.
 - Beginning in the fall of 2023, an “arts sampler” will be offered. (a little bit of music, art, choir, etc.)
 - LHS is in the process of finding a band director/music teacher.
 - 16 students have enrolled in “Internship Academy.” Next school year, these students will leave during 7th period to go to their place of work - either on or off campus. For now, if off campus, the companies are all La Salle alum run businesses. Soche will cover half the cost for involved companies. Any grade can participate, if it fits into the student’s schedule. This opportunity was communicated through the *Parent newsletter, Course selection guide, Website, and Current students have participated (i.e. word of mouth)*. *As of now, there are 12 companies involved.*

Aaron asked, **What do you want to discuss** (tonight)?

- Terri brought up some issues with how the student section behaved at this past week’s volleyball game (i.e. the student section turned their backs when Moeller players were announced, and La Salle only acknowledged their own fans, and not the visiting team). This was acknowledged, discussed, and it was concluded that this behavior is acceptable.

After Aaron left, these topics were brought up for future discussion:

- Crystal - parking lot in mornings...boys speed through, safety issues
- Suggestion for department reps to attend meetings in future (a different department represented at each monthly meeting) to offer insight, updates, progress, etc.
- Suggestion for administration to attend meetings only to offer the monthly report, then be excused for the rest of the committee meeting.

4. Upcoming Events:

- Underclassman Awards Ceremony - no update at this time; managed by school
- National Teacher Appreciation Day - May 5th; email blast will be sent out to parents from LPC (not from the school); Emily Buckley is the one who creates the online form for donations. Parents can donate either online or cash donations will be accepted in the office. This money will be used to purchase gift cards for teachers and staff - 80 total. Ideas included Amazon, Target, Kroger; majority seemed to prefer Kroger
- Senior Declarations (Julie Etris/Sarah Goldschmidt; *staff member in charge is Shannon Memory*) - May 23rd; done in small groups of parents and seniors with mentors/counselors in the room. Huntington Learning Center will donate cookies. In the past, senior awards were also a part of this night.
- Spring Social (Sarah Goldschmidt)
 - Top Golf was looked into, all questions were answered, but it is a “no-go.” Best option was ~\$45 per person on a Tuesday night, food had to be bought there (buffett), etc.
 - Sarah looked into Reds group rates - maybe in the summer? (August to welcome all new parents...Sarah will look into options for Sunday in August before school starts).
 - A Fowling outing was considered and discussed; should we pursue still this year? If so, May 22 is the best option. If tabling, schedule next year for March because there is not a lot (nothing) going on in that month.
 - Social Events ~ schedule proposed by Terri:
 - Before school starts - something for families, like a Reds game on a Sunday
 - Fall social - Rock Jam after football game
 - Winter social - Gathering at West Side Brewing
 - Spring social - “fowling” outing - schedule for March
- Senior Picnic Update (Jodi Louder), May 24th - Jen reported that money is trickling in; ~\$500 so far. Volunteers are not an issue, but more are always welcome. Donations are due Thursday April 14. Non-monetary donations have been received also.

5. Other:

- Senior Yard Signs: distribute (by zip code) LPC members present divided up the signs to distribute *by Sunday, April 10th*. **After the meeting, it was decided that signs will be placed the weekend of April 29, 30, May 1.**

- Leadership positions for next year —
Returning: Kathleen - secretary, Gina - logistics, Kisha - VP; Grade Level Reps - every parent who served has agreed to return; many freshman parents have expressed interest
Open Positions:
 - President
 - Fundraising/Finance
- Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 3 at 6:00 pm in the Alumni Heritage Room - Kisha's friend is donating Goodies Barbecue (6 lbs meat, 2 side salads with dressing, and buns). LPC members can bring sides, drinks, and desserts.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:00