

General PTO

MEETING MINUTES - APPROVED

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October 7, 2020

ATTENDED BY

See attached attendance list.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Chrysi Polydoros, President, on October 7, 2020 via virtual Microsoft Teams meeting. There were enough members present for a quorum.

MINUTES APPROVAL

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the previous general PTO meeting (2/5/20) by Jenny Koong and seconded by Jenny Wood. The motion to approve the minutes carried without opposition.

REPORTS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

VOTING - 2020-2021 EXECUTIVE BOARD SLATE

The Nominating Committee made up of Chrysi Polydoros - Chairman, Amanda McGee, Jennifer Dollinger, Michelle Leopard, Karena Wilson and Alyson Rooney - Alternate, and Gretchen Himsl - Advisory Member presented the proposed 2020-2021 Executive Board for consideration:

Chrysi Polydoros - President
Kara Richardson - President-Elect
Jenny Koong - Treasurer
Heather Hajdik - Treasurer-Elect
Ronelle Meikleham - VP Communications
Heather Barrow - Parliamentarian
Casey Schultz - Recording Secretary
Ilse Rassin - VP Teacher Wish Lists
Tonya Anderson - VP Membership
Gretchen Himsl - Past-President
Class of 2021 - Janet Neumann & Becky Zavala
Class of 2022 - Alyson Rooney & Beth Lane
Class of 2023 - Sook Miller & Jill Calderone
Class of 2024 - Jenny Wood & Lori Black

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Three calls for other nominations were announced, with none presented. A motion was made to approve the 2020-2021 Executive Board by Sara Bonario and seconded by Sook Miller. The motion was unanimously approved with 75 Votes to Approve, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained.

PTO UPDATE

Chrysi Polydoros, President, reported there have been multiple meetings with Principal Graves throughout the year via zoom.

- By joining the PTO you will receive the Texan Connection - the PTO newsletter. Membership is annual, so please sign up each year to be automatically added to the list. Through the Texan Connection we will share information about the upcoming events and important information for parents.
- Teacher Appreciation - Anne Savage delivered 2 lunches (Torchy's Tacos & Jason's Deli) to approximately 80 faculty members during schedule pickup. On the 12th, Raising Cane's will be delivered.
- College Night - Organized by committee chairs - Kim Marosis & Dawn Koenig. This event will be held virtually this year. Every student has received a link via school email and must register for this event. This information will be posted on the PTO email.
- Beautification - Elizabeth Young and Carlin Morestead have been working on updates over the past couple of years. TBG Partners has generously donated services for the entire school. Ms. Graves, the committee chairs and the Alumni Association will discuss plans and reach out to the community for help with funding.
- Alumni Committee - Karena Wilson, Chair and Lamar alum, working with Fran Callahan, director of Lamar Alumni Association will create a list of Lamar alumni and their respective colleges or professional fields for recent graduates to reach out to, make connections and encourage future alumni participation. There is a new tab on the PTO webpage for more information.
- The Alamo - The PTO is working with the new Lamar Wrap Around Services, managed by Dana Harris & Merci Gregory, to establish a closet, called the Alamo, for donated items (uniforms, personal care products, etc.) where students can 'come and take it'. Also, three area churches - Bethany Christian, St. John the Divine, and St. Luke's - are partnering with Lamar Wrap Around Services in a new program called Loving Lamar Initiative to support Lamar behind the scenes. A link will be created for purchasing uniforms as well as an Amazon Wish List for the Alamo donations. Purchases will be delivered directly to LWAS. Receipts can be sent to the PTO for in-kind donation documentation.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer, Jenny Koong, presented the 2020-2021 proposed budget. The budget committee - PTO President, President-Elect, Treasurer, and Treasure-Elect meets in the Spring and late Summer to come up with a preliminary budget, it's then presented to the PTO Executive Board for discussion. Jenny presented version 7 of the proposed budget for approval and highlighted some changes:

- Carry forward from last year is much higher than previous years, due to the cancellation of the 2020 Prom and Teacher's Wish Lists not fulfilled because of the school shut down.
- Lowered the budget for Corporate Sponsorship due to the current financial climate.
- All in-person fundraising has been removed.
- Added the Senior Painted Parking Spot fundraiser.
- Affinity programs should have more activity. Sign-up was encouraged.
- Changes to Expenses include:
 - Senior After Prom party changed to Senior Activity/After Prom, due the uncertainty in the Spring
 - Technology - added the EdPuzzle & College Board TSI Test Units
 - Increased Teacher Wish List.
 - Added a one-time increase to Beautification for proposed partnerships discussed above.
 - Changed things around under the administrative umbrella.

Jenny Koong mentioned that if we meet our fundraising goals we will have about \$36, 000 to carry forward, however our Big & Bright donations are low. If we do not meet our goals, the proposed budget will cover our proposed expenses with a reduced carry forward for the 2021-2022 year.

Chrysi Polydoros called for a motion to approve the 2020-2021 proposed budget. A motion was made by Becky Zavala and seconded by Jill Calderone. The motion carried unanimously with 83 votes to approve, 0 opposed, and 0 abstain.

Finally, Jenny Koong presented the PTO Actual to Budget slide. It will be posted on the PTO website.

Question: A parent asked how to purchase Yard Signs. Chrysi Polydoros answered that Class Committees will include more detail, but signs and t-shirts can be purchased on the PTO website.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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Tonya Anderson, VP Membership, presented the current state of PTO Membership:

- PTO Membership - 248
- Big & Bright Campaign Goal: \$70,000
- B&B Raised: \$25,490
- 69 B&B Donors

Minimum B&B donation is \$10. Stickers will be mailed to donors.

CLASS OF 2021

Janet Neumann presented a Class of 2021 update.

- They started the year off with the hand-out of the senior class t-shirts to be worn at sunrise on the first morning of the school year. Students sent in pictures which were posted on Lamar social media and will be high-lighted in the yearbook.
- The Painted Parking spaces was a fun and successful fundraiser that they hope will be an annual event.
- October 31st - Senior Trick-or-Treat Drive Thru from 11-1 with prizes for various costumes.
- Proposed November activities - Senior Movie Night and Senior Painted Jeans Day
- Other Events - Snow Day

Janet ended with a final call for PTO support B&B Campaign participation.

CLASS OF 2022

Chrysi Polydoros presented the Class of 2022 Report for Alyson Rooney and Beth Lane because of technical difficulties. She highlighted the Fall Dates so far:

College Workshop Wednesday

1. October 7th - Bright Futures (Selective Colleges - Planning & Applying)
2. October 21st - Plus Education (Essays and Resumes)
3. November 11th - College Dreams Consulting (Financial Aid - FAFSA & CSS Profile)
4. November 18th - Great Expectations Tutoring (Testing Strategies)

CLASS OF 2023

Sook Miller presented the Class of 2023 Corporate Sponsorship Campaign - Fill the Gap. Due to the hard times, it has been difficult but they have received \$8500 from sponsors so far and recognized the current sponsors:

- Greenwood King
- Stormy-Hayes Knight, Martha Turner / Sotheby's
- Southwest Oral & Implant Surgery
- Elite Care, Rice Village

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- eConserve
- RTLogo
- Sally Ring, Attorney-at-Law

Jill announced the Class of 2023 Social is tentative set for April 9, 2021. Sook reminded everyone that Class of 2023 t-shirts are available on the website.

CLASS OF 2024

Lori Black thanked the enthusiastic volunteers who helped with the committee sell over 300 shirts and 100 yard signs. Additional merchandise will be available once able to do so in person. She and Jenny Wood are working on Virtual Socials - Q&A with older moms, etc. Dates to be posted in the future.

TEACHER'S WISH LIST

Chrysi Polydoros presented for Ilsa Rassin, VP Teacher's Wish Lists. Orders have been placed for last Spring's wish lists. One item, the sewing machine's, presented a unique issue. The price had gone up significantly, however Ilse was able to get a reduced price from a generous retailer. Applications have been postponed to November. The budget has been increased to \$40,000 with the hopes of offering \$1500 grants to teachers. Teachers apply for the grants, Ms. Graves approves them, and the PTO Board then makes the final choice ensuring all teachers benefit fairly.

COMMUNICATIONS

Chrysi Polydoros presented for Ronelle Meikleham, VP Communications. She highlighted the various forms of PTO Communication:

1. Remind - 125 people
2. Twitter - 500
3. Facebook - 1673

Please message Ronelle through Facebook with questions.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal Rita Graves presented the Return to Campus Plan, which will be posted on the Lamar HS website. After the presentation, Ms. Graves asked that questions be emailed and she would provide answers in the upcoming newsletter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Yard signs are for sale on the PTO website, www.lamarpto.org, under the Class of 2022 or 2023 tabs.

ADJOURNMENT



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The meeting was adjourned by Chrysi Polydoros at 6:46pm and followed by the Bright Futures Presentation.

Respectfully submitted Casey Schultz, Secretary.

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PTO GENERAL MEETING ATTENDANCE

Trendell, Maggie P

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Torrance Earle

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Elizabeth Warner-Smith

Jody Thiele

Keith

Elizabeth Sawyer

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Angela Tellez

Germann, Ali

Shannon Emerick

jfurnace

Rota, Shelley D

Hajdik, John

Virani, Ameer

Mark Schultz

Kim Marosis

Arechiga, Kaitlyn

Hensey, Teel

Fullmer, Cheryl

Morgan, Joshua

Crystalyn Varela

Wolken, Koen

Garcia, Cameron

Rangel, Andrew

Amador, Valentina



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Wood, Camilla
Newman, Katharine F (LDZX)
Schwartz, Lee
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Thweatt, Henry
Chrysi Polydoros
Bitar, Abdullah
Barringer, Denise A
Stephanie Miller
Fahmi, Nansi
Gonzalez, Gabriella
Ryan, Leigh
Walji, Sameer
Shelby Bybee
sylvia.carter
Scafidi, Ana M., M.D.
Goins, Jamie D
Neumann, Stephanie
Barringer, Samantha
Cohen, Michelle
Graves, Rita K
Diana Villanueva
Nitsch, Olivia
Harris, Danielle
Benavides, Jamya
Kelly Malone
Selvaggi, Ryan
PenaPelaez, Nicolas
Fertak, Laura
Fernandez, Mary E
RodriguezHolguin, Marcela
Samuel, Lauren
Earle, Amy
Sara Hebert
Heather Barrow
Hashmi, Blaine
Valerie Moore
Dawn Koenig
Mark, Brandon
Kara Richardson

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Keller, William
Loredo, Gabriela
Martin, Donna T
Larry Lawyer
Umayma Simien
Clemons, Tremiah
Beverley Pullin
Barcot, Nathaniel
Baker, Arial
Knight, Avery
Ranft, Christopher
GendlerCruz, Ariel
Lane, Annabel
Champagne-Langabeer, Tiffany
Contreras, Carmen
Eknoyan, William
Salazar, Daniel
Ranae Scheibner
Ross, Bryce
Richardson, Delano
Maldonado, Emily
Poole, Wyatt
Mark Crosswell
Morstead, Julia
Oliveira, Alexi
Gabrielle Alvarado
Broussard, Asia
Lewis, Nicole R
Chan, Mimi H
Velis, Ashley
Walton, Stephanie
Baldonado, Jake
Koong, Lauren
Abdalla, Jennifer
Karen Xu
Kinney, Kane
Peter Merwin
Buggs, Morgan
Sara Bonario
Lorenz, Claire C

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Hurd, Zachary
Claudia McInnis
Kim White
Ikuyo Katayama
Ivory, Ashley R
Terry Tsigos
Allaham, Fouad
red39120
Casey Schultz (Guest)
Amanda McGee
Donna Jackson
Hilda Avila
Jean Mangum
Sonya Hernandez (Guest)
Ann
Venice Salmon
Valarie Clay
Martha Villegas (Guest)
Tsigos
Kristin (Guest)
Kelly Fisher
Ronelle (Guest)
Kristin Reeves (Guest)
Ha An (Guest)
Jennifer Gillaspie
Erika Ibanga
Maribel Ekq ist
Kay De Pledge (Guest)
Ross Reedstrom
Philip Kortum (Guest)
Amber Massey (Guest)
CCS (Guest)
Kelli Fereday
StasieSmith/Jane Culwell (Guest)
Pam Cooner (Guest)
Kristin Lamm (Guest)
Robert Moseley
Salvador
Claire Mangrum, Bright Futures Consulting (Guest)
Shelly Durham

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Poonam Khosla (Guest)
Margo (Guest)
Joachim Mueller (Guest)
Victoria Pearl (Guest)
M L Stripling (Guest)
Allie Blaylock
Caroline Hassell (Guest)
elizabeth young (Guest)
Agosta
Angel Redou-Breaker
kristen (Guest)
Sook Miller (Guest)
Terri
Thomas (Guest)
Robert Moseley (Guest)
Duc Phan (Guest)
Chris Funk (Guest)
Jen Aiyer (Guest)
Kellye Chaumier
Christine Perry
BA NGUYEN (Guest)
Natalie Clark
Carla Smith (Guest)
Paige Gill
Kelli Grundy (Guest)
Karena Wilson (Guest)
Katie Bronicki
Virginia Mooring
Derrick (Guest)
Janet McMasters
Ginger Williams
Amy
Fazila Issa (Guest)
Gretchen (Guest)
David Tyrell (Guest)
Robert
Anne Savage
Carole Mafrige (Guest)
Elena mom of Marco Contreras (Guest)
Sandy Howard (Guest)

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Brandi LaFrance
Tim W.
Cheryl & Miguel (Guest)
Angie (Guest)
AC
Hugh
Bard (Guest)
Violet
Heather Golden
Diaz
Kay LEAMING-Van zandt
Michelle meissner
Lori Elwood (Guest)
A Zavala
Becky Zavala
Paloma Sanchez (Guest)
Zullykeih Vargas (Guest)
Anne-Marie L
AMehta
Donna Mark
Tonya Anderson (Guest)
Ana (Guest)
Kate
Mary Liz Urquhart (Guest)
AJS
Carolina Fuerte
CK (Guest)
Meredith (Guest)
PT
Lyman Paden (Guest)
Norris, Shaunte
Macias, Arnulfo
Casas, Christian
RodriguezMendez, Annabella
Brian Perry
MeiPo Ho (Guest)
Smith, Quincy
Amy
Meipo Ho
Fada

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Bazan, Myrna
Madison, Taylor
Ecm
Blewer, Bennett
Parra, Yanet
Elana Guerra
Badri, Rammah
Ross Reedstrom (destop) (Guest)
Reed, Keuchie
Ann
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Munoz, David J
Kelli F
Robert
Megan Stidman - Sr Vice President
Alyson Rooney
Anon
Pam Thayer
Judit Papp (Guest)
Johnson, Tamitra L
Windham, AvaBella
Agosta, Paul J
alfredo alfaro (Guest)
John
Jennifer Mohr, Bright Futures (Guest)
Williams, Daujeune
Dianne
Madriz, Aynel
Virani, Sana
Tracey Bailey
Heather Golden
Parikh, Japa
Wendell Simpson
Tran, Sean
Wu, Matthew
Hernandez, Andrade
Hinojosa, Raymond
Armstrong, Nay S
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OkoloLockett, Kiyaa

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Vamvakias, Hanna
Maria Aguirre
Rojas, Mark
Wu, Franklin
David Dollinger
David Dollinger
Mask, Veronica N
Tammy Hiskey (Guest)
Mee, Celeste
J Perry
Sales
natasha james
Laangel St Julian
Yarbrough, Elizabeth
live:.cid.76157b2edabc17e3
jennifer dollinger
Wences, Yesenia (Commissioner Pct 1)
Garza, Jennifer L
mark
Connie
Pauls, Sue
Denise Tinkham
Yusim, Nicolas
Erika Ibanga
Laci
Guyton, Keiara
Alyson
Trish Whitcomb
Ann
Parish, Beckett
Glave, Kiya
Giddens, Mandisa A
Dorian Gray (Guest)
griselda garcia
Guest
Thomas, Kennede
Blanca Alvarado
Maribel Ekq ist
Theresa
Stephen

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Bonilla, Abraham
Ibarra, Veronica
Kristi Cortinas (Guest)
Josh L (Guest)
Heather Golden
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Gilmore, Jayla
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Elena mom of Marco Contreras (Guest)
Laura Paniagua
Matute, Lisbeth
Joachim Mueller (Guest)
Thomas (Guest)
Contreras, Isabel
Jamie (Guest)
christian (Guest)
Rivero, Jessica H
Linda
Castelan, Alexandro
Hengler, Giorgia
Nicole Ruben
Terri
tnguyen
Sotelo, Ashley A
Caroline Hassell
christian (Guest)
Williams, London
McCoy, Bailey
Eulalia Gillum
Lopez, Joseph J
christian (Guest)
Williams, Arjaunese P
C Rogers
Felicia Perry
Alma Perez-Silva

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Penny Linsenmayer (Guest)
Terri
Bev Pullin (Guest)
christian (Guest)
Amy
Jamie (Guest)
Leticia Leon
Tanisha
Arna Jarokova (Guest)
Janna Webber (Guest)
Silva, Diego
Rassin, Sophia
Michelle
Stephanie Rosales (Guest)
laura hernandez (Guest)
MeiPo Ho (Guest)
claire lorenz (Guest)
Mahone, Erron K
Fernandez de lara, Erika
Stuart Pullin (Guest)
Kathryn Schultz
Renee Speight
Romero, Alessandra
Nicole Wilkenfeld
Brown, Niyah
Moore, Matthew (KTRK-TV)
Arna Jarokova (Guest)
Lemus
mark
Paige Gill (Guest)
Reyes, Samantha
Blume, Benjamin
Tracie Scott
Martha Villegas (Guest)
Jigisha Doshi (Guest)
Orosquieta, Zoe
Jigi (Guest)
Shelly (Guest)
Fosha, Riley A
Terri

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Kelly Fisher

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Ronelle (Guest)

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Kristin Reeves (Guest)

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Amy

Jamie (Guest)

Leticia Leon

Tanisha

Arna Jarokova (Guest)

Janna Webber (Guest)

Silva, Diego

Rassin, Sophia

Michelle

Stephanie Rosales (Guest)

laura hernandez (Guest)

MeiPo Ho (Guest)

claire lorenz (Guest)

Mahone, Erron K

Fernandez de lara, Erika

Stuart Pullin (Guest)

Kathryn Schultz