

Lamont High School Foundation

Date: November 19, 2024 Time: After LHSPAC meeting

Location: Lamont High School

1. Call to order: 7:10 pm

In Attendance:

- Peter Vandermeulen (Assistant Principal)
- Kelly Sawatzky (Principal)
- Sylvia McDonald (Chair)
- Heather Rideout (Treasurer)
- Terri Barron (Secretary)
- Delane Zacharko
- Bobbi Moonen
- Nadia Chopping
- Tara Cossey (via Zoom)

2. Review & Approval of Agenda -

Terri Barron made a motion to pass the agenda as presented. Seconded by Nadia Chopping. All in favor. Motion passed.

3. Approval of last month's meeting minutes -

Bobbi Moonen made a motion to approve last month's minutes. Seconded by Heather Rideout. All in favor. Motion passed.

4. Treasurer's Report - Heather Rideout

Lamont General Account: \$3456.32

Casino Account: \$14 069.54

(missing October and November bank statements)

Heather reported that contrary to last month's report from Melissa Aylward, the Casino account is still collecting interest even though it has been inactive for quite some time.

Heather reported that 2022-23 financial reports were missing and not filed the previous year. However, they were located during the meeting in another envelope she had with other paperwork. They appear to have been filed.

Heather is now working on the 2023-24 financial reports as they were not filed last year. Heather Rideout made a motion for Bobbi Moonen and Nadia Chopping to audit the 2023-24 financial report. Delane Zacharko seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

5. Old Business - Bus Committee - Heather Rideout

There was a meeting Nov. 7 to discuss the need for a new white bus as ours is timed out. The committee decided that it is necessary to have ownership of a bus as it is used by so many groups and organizations within Lamont High. The "Bus Committee" will be a sub committee of the Lamont High School Foundation committee. The members so far are: Bobbi Moonen, Delane Zacharko, Wade and Tara Cossey, Heather Rideout, Melissa Aylward, Nadia Chopping, and Krista Skinner. When they have separate meetings, someone will report back to the foundation at our bi-montly meetings.

6. New Business -

A. Fundraising

The Foundation committee agreed, at this moment, our top priority for fundraising is the new bus for Lamont High. So many groups and committees use this bus. The wildlife class, the drama class, the LINKS class, the post-secondary field trip groups, and the sports teams are just a few of the students who have benefited from our bus. Having our own bus has saved our school thousands of dollars in transportation fees each year. We feel it is a necessity for our school.

Katie Fossum was donated a pair of Oilers hockey tickets to raffle off as a fundraiser. Peter Vandermeulen is looking into the best platform to auction off these tickets for the Dec. 7th game. Tara Cossey is going to send Mr. Vandermeulen some information about a site she used in the past as an additional option with RaffleBox.

Tara Cossey has agreed to start a fundraiser in January for the New Bus Fund. We discussed possibly doing a 59 Minutes Fundraiser. We also discussed possibly starting a Little Caesars fundraiser or a Facebook silent auction fundraiser. We will discuss further at the January meeting.

B. Insurance - Directors and liabilities insurance

Heather Rideout voiced her concerns about the foundation not having directors and liabilities insurance. Heather Rideout made a motion to purchase directors and liabilities insurance. Terri Barron and Sylvia McDonald opposed the motion, requesting that first Heather get some information documenting what is covered under the insurance and approximately how much is the yearly premium. Upon this opposition, Heather Rideout wanted it noted that she would not sign her name to either of the bank accounts for the foundation as long as it does not have directors and liabilities insurance. Delane Zacharko also wanted it noted that she also does not want her name on anything to do with the foundation as long as it does not have directors and liabilities insurance.

Heather Rideout agreed to contact a lady at EIPS Central to get a quote for Directors and Liabilities Insurance and the executive members agreed to hold an emergency meeting to vote on the motion to purchase this insurance once we have the information.

7. Questions/Round Table -

Sylvia McDonald made a motion to purchase a candy basket to be used as a "door prize" at the Christmas Dinner, approximately \$30-\$40. Nadia Chopping seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

8. Next meeting: Tuesday January 21, 2025 after LHSPAC

10. Meeting Adjourned: 8:40 pm

Thank you for attending Lamont High School Foundation Meeting