## Eastern High School Alumni Association Board Meeting Tuesday, February 28, 2017, 4:00 PM Meeting Report

Attending were David Cushion, Judy Williams, Mike Williams, Eleanor Doersam, Tracy Owens, Cheryl Cushion, Jack Davis, Donna Pohl, Patricia Moreno and Lynne Martinez. Lou Hekhuis and Stefanie Wolter joined the meeting by phone.

David called the meeting to order at approximately 4:05.

The draft agenda was distributed for consideration and approved.

The report from the January 3, 2017 Board meeting was received and approved.

The Annual Fund Balance, Dec. 31, 2016, provided by Stefanie Wolter was reviewed and discussed. Members reviewed the information and commented that it was what they had request and much appreciated. There were no questions.

Cheryl recommended a round of introductions since some new people are visiting the meeting.

Stefanie called in and asked if there were any questions about the year end Fund Balance Report. There were none. Members expressed appreciation for the reports and information that was received and requested that the reports be shared and discussed annually. It was also noted by several that the fact that the future of LEHS is now secured at the current Pattengill will make it easier to start raising funds for the Foundation.

Lou requested discussion of the application from Eileen Gianiodis, LEHS parent and PTSA member, for \$500 to support the Quaker Dash 5K on April 30, 2017. Donna Pohl signed the application. There was discussion that this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year this application was received outside the usual grant cycle. It was agreed the application will be sent to the Finance Committee with a Board request for approval and that Eileen be alerted that the application needs to be received by September 30<sup>th</sup> each year and that a late request for 2018 funds will not be considered.

There was discussion of people who have expressed interest in becoming members of the LEHS Alumni Association Board. Cheryl introduced Tracy Owens as an applicant for Board membership. Patricia Moreno expressed an interest in joining the Board. There was a motion to elect Tracy and Patricia. It was noted that Denise Paquette indicated an interest, but, since she was not present her nomination was tabled. Lou noted that the bylaws provide that the Board could indicate support for the election of the applicants, and that their election would need to be approved at the next meeting. It was agreed to place their election on the agenda for the next meeting.

There was discussion of people who have expressed an interest in helping to plan LEHS 90th Anniversary Celebrations. It was agreed that the Board will discuss setting up one or more committees and engaging local business partners, historical groups and individual alumni. It was also recommended that one or more Board Members attend a January meeting of the School Board to request partnership with the District and the School Board in the celebration.

Board members agreed that better communications with LEHS staff, parents and students and with a greater number of Alumni is desirable to ensure that interested people would know more about available grants available from the Alumni Foundation and plans to celebrate the 90th

Anniversary. It was agreed to search for more and younger people who might be interested in serving on the Alumni Board. Donna Pohl offered to get us contact information for lead staff with Student and Parent groups.

It was noted that there is a need to meet with appropriate staff to discuss preservation of LEHS historical documents and artifacts as the school is relocated. It was recommended that we need to contact Donna Pohl and work with her and the "librarian" on this item. Donna asked for an email requesting a meeting with Central Administration to discuss this item. Lynne will send the request and Donna will forward

The meeting adjourned about 5:35.

The Next Meeting of the Alumni Association Board will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 4:00PM in the Lansing Eastern High School Social Room.