

Alumni/Parent Meeting April, 2, 2024 - 6:00 pm
Location - LTHS Ag Building

~Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM by Holly Noak

President Holly Noak opened and gave the floor to Tessa Grant.

Tessa presented keeping Steers in Cav Classic. Tessa called for a General Vote for keeping steers in the Cav Classic Show even though there aren't currently any LT steers. Advisors and the Cav Classic Committee recommend yes - for the experience and to grow the show. Jessica Walker made a motion to keep the steers in the Cav Classic show, Holly Noak second, all general members voted yes.

Tessa also went through what Cav Classic Committee positions needed to be filled.

- Cav Classic
 - *Promotions (Communications/Social Media): _____
 - Volunteer Coordinator (reports to Secretary, primary event is Cav Classic):

 - Photo backdrop & photo sales: _____
 - Facilities Assistant: **Brian Afdahl agreed to take this role**
 - Prizes Coordinator: **Jenny Silver agreed to take this role**
 - Ringside Prep, showmanship coordinator: _____
 - TCYS Co-Chair (reports to Vice President): _____

Secretary Jessica Walker asked for a motion to approve March mins, Brian Afdahl made the motion & Kathleen Fisher made the second. All in favor, none against, Minutes approved.

Treasurer, Chris Grant gave the Treasure Report. There was \$32.00 in expenses, \$0 was our income. Current funds are Checking - \$7,021, Savings - \$29,455 & Venmo - \$8,066

President Holly Noak took back the lead of the meeting, she gave a thank you to all our sponsor, she announced that 4th Grader Dhruv Nathan from LPE was a winner of the Texas FFA coloring contest and gave extra thank you to:

- Everyone who took care of their own barn clean-up! (Please don't forget about the OG barn.)
- Cav Classic Committee members who have already started meeting & working behind the scenes to make our next show a huge success.

- Board and committee members from 2023-2024 and those willing to serve in 2024-2025!
- Jenny Silver for chairing the Scholarship Committee

Holly went through all the by-laws updates the Board and Advisors made and per the bylaws we must take a vote in 30 days on these changes:

Current vs Proposed Changes

1. Title & Article I (Name)

Constitution of the Lake Travis FFA Alumni Association **AND SUPPORTERS**
Revised April **2024**

The name of the organization shall be the Lake Travis FFA Alumni **and Supporters** Association, member of The Texas and National FFA Alumni **and Supporters** Associations.

2. Article III (Membership)

2. The annual dues for membership into Lake Travis FFA Alumni **shall be fixed annually by a majority vote of the active members. shall not be less than \$35.00 per person** At least one adult member per family is required.

3. Article IV (Officers)

The elected officers of the Alumni shall be President, Vice-President of Administration, Vice President of Fundraising , Secretary **& Treasurer, and a Board Member Elect**. No officer shall serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office.

4. Article IV (Officers)

6. The Secretary shall keep minutes of the meetings of the Association and of the Executive Board; shall **distribute-written provide** meeting minutes at each meeting for each member; maintain a current membership roster **to be presented at each meeting**; verify current members in voting matters; attend to the necessary correspondence of the Association and perform other such duties as **may be** prescribed by the President/Executive Board.

5. Article IV (Officers)

7. The Treasurer shall keep an accurate account of all funds raised and deposited. He/she shall be prepared to furnish a financial report to the President/Executive Board on request and shall submit a complete financial report at each regular meeting. He/she shall be responsible for collecting, accounting, and disbursements of the funds raised by the Lake Travis FFA Alumni **and Supporters** Association

6. Article IV (Officers)

7.5 Board Member Elect shall shadow current Board, sit in on all Alumni Board Meetings. May contribute ideas and take on tasks if desired.

7. Article V (Meetings)

5. Amendments to the Constitution may be made by 2/3 majority vote of the quorum. Members shall be notified by mail, electronic mail or classroom announcement at least 30 days prior to a meeting at which any constitutional amendment is to be considered.

8. Article VI (Boards/Committees)

The Executive Board shall be composed of the President, Vice-President Administration, Vice-President Fundraising, Secretary, Treasurer, ~~Web Master~~, Board Member Elect and the Agriculture Science Instructor(s).

9. Article VII (Finances)

5. All expenses shall be approved via a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the quorum. Except in situations where the Executive Board is authorized to make decisions under time constraints, and the amount is not to exceed ~~\$300.00~~ \$1000.00.

***Voting on changes will occur at the May meeting (Banquet).**

*P. White mentioned he did not think we could change “The Texas and National FFA Alumni and Supporters Associations”, per President Holly Noak that change was made by K. White. P. White will visit with K. White on that.

Holly shared that because everything else seems to be going up these days, an increase is not needed thanks to our healthy reserves, and we had a slight increase in the membership dues last year, the board is recommending we keep the current dues for next year.

\$45/parent (includes 1 parent chapter t-shirt) \$65/family (includes 2 parent chapter t-shirts)

Kathleen Fisher motioned on next year’s dues and Shelly Judd seconded. All were in favor.

Holly presented the Slated Board Nominations:

- President – Holly Noak
- Vice President of Administration – Jeanne Seaux-Pierce
- Vice President of Fundraising – **Holly Borbon**
- Treasurer – Chris Grant

- Secretary – Jessica Walker
- Board Member Elect – **Sunni Graham**

There were no other nominations from the floor.

Kathleen Fisher made a motion to pass the 2024-2025 Board Nominees, Jenny Silver seconded Candidate introductions (Holly Borbon & Sunni Graham)

Installation at May meeting (Banquet)

Transfer meeting & first board meeting in May (dated (TBA))

Holly reviewed upcoming events:

- CDEs & SDEs ongoing
- LT FFA ALumni Senior Scholarship due April 1
- Raise 'em Up Foundation Fundraiser April 13
- Pet Shot Clinic: Mon, April 22, 5pm-7pm, LTHS Ag Parking Lot
All Hands On Deck **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**
Share ONLINE with friends and family!
- After Party/Spirit Night at P Terry's
- **Special After Party** at Don Mario's to celebrate the Cromptons!
- Barn Clean up (TBA) (requirement for rental deposit refund)
- LT FFA Annual Banquet May 3, LTHS Cafeteria, ticket info coming soon.
- TCYS Fundraiser (Golf Tournament) May 2

Holly reviewed the summer events:

- Fundraising Goal: to secure 80% of sponsorships during the summer months.
*****Incentive for families meeting their family contribution by July 31, 2024*****
- Cav Classic Planning Committee will meet monthly over the summer.
- If you plan/decide to bring animals into a barn before school starts, please make arrangements with the advisor(s) ahead of time.

Advisor P. White gave teacher updates:

-Senior cords are available and will need to be purchased from K. White

-There is no new barn updates at this time

-Banquet is May 3rd at the LTHS Cafeteria. Begins at 6:30PM, should arrive by 6PM

Dress: Official Dress for students (that have it) or church attire

- all parents and kids invited – \$30 per person
- sponsors and buyers recognized
- silent auction and door prizes
- run by students
- new student officers and scholarship winners announced
- K White needs photos! (Seniors!)

-2023-2024 State Steer Validation Tags / LATE TAG = \$40

Questions:

Q- Why does the board have almost \$30K in savings and almost 15K in other accounts. Why didn't the Board give more money to TCYS winners if we have this surplus?

A: It was recommended from the previous Board to maintain \$30K in savings for emergencies and/or lower fundraising years. The surplus in the other accounts is there because general expenses for the 2023-2024 school year are not complete (advisors wish list items, senior scholarships and State Convention are just some of the large expenses we are expecting to cover with those funds).

Q: Can the surplus of funds be used to pay for the student banquet tickets?

A: The Board took in the suggestion and will visit the budget vs. remaining expenses to see if this is doable.

Meeting called to order at 6:57PM

Next Meeting will be May 3rd @ 6PM (Banquet).