

La Salle High School
2019 – 2020
La Salle Parent Council (LPC)
Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 1, 2019, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

The meeting began at approximately 6:30 pm.

1. **Attendance:** Principal Aaron Marshall, Mike Roman, Terri Carrick, Tiffaney Hardy, Kathleen Habedank, Natasha Allen, Greg & Julie Beck, Twinkle Dawson, Kisha Dosa, Crystal Hayes, Jen Feeley, Ken Garbsch, Carrie Karaffa, Lisa Muth, Tia Patterson, Cynthia Porter, Mariellen & Tom Rehtin, Gina Reynolds, Vicki Seng, Martine Walker, LaShawna Willis, Jackiedra Wilson, Kim Zang
2. **Prayer & Welcome:** Prayer was led by Mike Roman. Subsequently, Mike welcomed all LPC members, and outlined the key roles of LPC members:
 - We are all **ambassadors** of La Salle High School
 - We provide **hospitality** for various events throughout the year
 - We are the voice of all parents, by offering an **advisory role**
 - **Fundraising** – particularly, through the annual Craft Fair, which supplies LPC with ~90% of our budget. *The Craft Fair is being held in 2019. LPC can/will decide whether or not to continue this fundraiser in the future, as well as how to best support the school (i.e. providing microwaves for students).* Our budget is projected to be ~\$11,000 this year, with ~\$10,000 coming from the Craft Fair.
 - **Guidance.** Mike reminded that LPC meetings are not the place for individual or classroom concerns; rather whole grade-levels, and the school at large
3. **Introductions:** As we progressed around the circle, each LPC member introduced himself/herself by stating their name, son's grade, and number of years serving on LPC.
4. **Principal Report:** Principal Marshall approved of our circle formation because, as he says, "We are all in this together!" Other points of his report included:
 - He welcomes advice and feedback
 - He agrees, we are all **ambassadors** of La Salle High School
 - He has high expectations – for himself, AND us, as parents.
 - It is an exciting time to be a Lancer! He shared a number of changes going on at La Salle, including changes in personnel/staff, and he promised a tour at the meeting's end to view some of the facility changes first hand!

- He reviewed SMART goals, with a focus on them being Specific and Measurable; he, and the staff at La Salle, have goals that pertain to **academics, facilities, and finance**.
 - Goals circle back to, “What we’re doing and why we’re doing it.”
 - In our meetings, he is happy to address broad-scale questions that have been submitted ahead of time. He took time to answer 2 questions at this meeting; “*Yes, LHS does exit interviews with students who leave; a counselor talks to the boy, then the counselor and an administrator will talk to his family.*” AND, “*LHS has many things in place to improve retention of students, including enhancing the student experience, facilities, academics, student success, and a mentoring program.*”
 - He addressed the fact that the mentoring for freshman was so well received last year that this year, all students freshman – senior will have an adult mentor.
5. **New Business:** A sub-committee was formed to sit with Emily Buckley to gain ideas for an LPC social media coordinator. Members include: *Mike, Terri, Twinkle, and Vicki*
 6. **Upcoming Event(s):** Freshman Orientation, Aug. 5: Gina will take this on – purchase ice cream, etc. Jake Pucci is the staff liaison for this event. Interested members include Kathleen, Terri and Gina – look for Sign-Up Genius to volunteer.
 7. **Craft Fair Update:** 10 less vendors this year, to offer more La Salle sponsored booths (i.e. poinsettias, hot chocolate mixes, etc.) Craft Fair committee is scheduled to meet Wednesday, August 7 at Panera on Colerain.
 8. **For future meetings:** Mike will send out the meeting’s agenda 1 week prior to the meeting. If you have questions or feedback, get them to Mike within 3 days before said meeting.
 9. **Meeting adjourned ~7:43 pm.** Tour of school to see first-hand some of the exciting changes followed, led by Principal Aaron Marshall. Tour included the Innovation Lab, several classroom improvements, new flooring, remodeled black box theatre, new gym floor...