

# R.A. Long High School Alumni Association

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Board Meeting  
July 28, 2009  
Doug O'Connor's Residence  
1424 Kessler Blvd.  
Longview, WA 98632

**Board Members in Attendance:** Doug O'Connor (1964), Mike Chess (1986), Darcie Chess (1986), Maureen Young (1961), Dyarle Sharkey (1961), Arlene Hall (1950), Dee Whyte (1960), Helene Watson (1961), Bob Stack (1961)

**Board Members Absent:** Bert Karnofski (1976), Kim Walters (1976), Jade Casio, Helen Whitcomb (1947), Lonnie Knowles.

## **Guests:**

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:06 pm by Doug O'Connor

## **Treasurers Report:**

Checking Balance: \$2,442.44 (made about \$550 at Go 4<sup>th</sup> booth)

Balance of Certificate #18: \$1,205.78

Balance of Certificate #20: \$2,295.07

**TOTAL: \$5,943.29**

Per Darcie we have had 4 credit card transactions, not a huge amount but it is still nice for everyone to know that it is an alternate to having to pay cash.

We have only been charged \$1.22 so far for depositing credit card transactions.

\*\*Helene presented an expense form that should be completed and turned in to the treasurer when requesting reimbursement for personal funds spent, in the name of the association.

## **Old Business:**

**[1]** Go 4<sup>th</sup> - According to Mike's Chess's calculations we made about \$550 and the hot sale item was the T-Shirts that were left. The tally sheet for the 4<sup>th</sup> is missing so he was unable to tell which day was the high sales day. Dyarle brought up that he heard the Athlete's Corner store was selling items that said R. A. Long Alumni. Some one will go over and check it out. Helene saw a gazebo at Lowe's similar to the current one we are using at the lake, she suggested that Mike go take a look at it to see if it would be a good replacement. Dee indicated she would donate the money to pay for it if we could get it for around \$300 to \$350. Doug asked how everyone felt it went this year at the Go 4<sup>th</sup> booth. Dee questioned whether we actually made \$550 considering what we paid for the booth space and the merchandise. The booth space was \$225 this year for the larger space, but we took in approximately \$217 in raffle tickets which more than paid for the merchandise we gave away. In other words we probably only made about \$350. We had more people sign the guest book this year, several people ask about reunions every year. The consensus is that we are not there primarily to make money but more for the exposure. Winners of the raffle drawing are as follows:

- Chad Miller (360-957-3514) - Hat  
 Whitey Nelmark - Mug (New)/Helene will get it to him  
 Sandy Hanson (206-360-0344) - T-Shirt (New)  
 Mark Higgins (274-6321) - Fleece (of his choice)
- [2] Discussion about money being held in a separate account for the drama club to go to Scotland. The advisor had withdrawn all the funds and the account was closed, John Freeman, a retired teacher, had money to deposit and was not aware that the account had been closed. He contacted Doug and was told that Doug would find out the status of the account at this board meeting. Dee indicated that we need to our practice of holding money for other groups.
- [3] Merchandise inventory, Maureen described the merchandise that she and Bert discussed we order. The tee shirts with the embroidered logo have already come in and are in Doug's car. Bert got a price on the window clings price will be 75 @ \$1.50/ea and for the stainless steel 16 oz. hot & cold drink mugs, with screw on 100 @ \$5.95 plus tax & freight or with the pop on lids 150 @ \$6.95 plus tax and freight. If we order the screw on type we could sell them for \$12.00/ea and make about \$5.00/ea. Maureen will check with Bert to find out what the minimum order would be. Since Doug will be out of the office for two weeks, Maureen will need to call his office to check on the merchandise delivery.
- [4] Doug talked to Ty Morris about the tour of the school for our August board meeting and he will conduct the tour.
- [5] Membership – Only 2 new paid members during the Go 4<sup>th</sup>, Richie Reeves (the new principal) class of 1986 and Greg Myklebust class of 1960. Seven from the graduating class of 2009 and 2 that joined at their class reunions.
- [6] Doug to check with Dan Rua about the annual IRS report, that Dan questioned him about; it was due this last spring.
- [7] Reunions: Class of 1964 & 1979 on Saturday August 1<sup>st</sup>. 1964 at hotel will be covered by Helene and Maureen Y. Class of 1979 will be covered by Dee and Arlene at the Country Club. Helene donated a rolling suitcase to be used as a back up for transporting merchandise when there are 2 class reunions on the same night. Helene also has a cash box that can be used in those instances.

**New Business:**

- [1] There was a discussion about us allowing other organizations to use our non-taxable association accounts to hold money for them so they don't have to deposit it in an account that they would have to declare as taxable. We don't want to be known as an association that will allow others to use us as a way to avoid taxes, especially if it could jeopardize our tax exempt status. There will be further discussion about this at the September meeting.

No business meeting in August due to the tour of the school.

Adjournment: 8:10 pm by Doug O'Connor, President  
 August 25, 2009 7:00 pm tour of the high school  
 Next Board meeting: September 29, 2009  
 Place: Darrin Dollemore's classroom  
 which will be in the portable outside again

Respectfully submitted by,  
 M. Helene Watson, Secretary  
 R.A. Long Alumni Association