

Laker Parent Club Meeting Minutes

Date: May 6, 2025

Location: Lake Oswego High School cafeteria and Zoom

Recorded by: Adria Cassidy

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order on May 6, 2:15pm. Laker Executive board members present: Michael Donahue, Lucy Liu, Paula Gore and Adria Cassidy.

II. Spring Sports Updates - Chris Coleman, Athletic Director

- District golf champions announced; tennis, track, baseball, softball, and lacrosse playoffs upcoming.
 - Football schedule finalized: Homecoming on **October 10**; LakeRidge game may shift to Thursday due to Halloween.
 - Scheduling is nearly complete for all sports, including water polo.
 - Regional crew championships set for **May 17th**
 - Class of 2025 signing Day Scheduled for **May 21** with 17 student-athletes participating. Framed as a *commitment day* due to NCAA regulation changes.
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III. Volunteer Needs

- Volunteers needed for events on **May 15–16, 19–20**.
 - Freshman party support and graduation preparation emphasized.
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IV. Bond Campaign (November Ballot)

- Bond aims to upgrade facilities: STEM-focused high schools, improvements to elementary schools built in the 1940s.
 - Campaign kick-off volunteer check-in event scheduled for **June 2 (5:30–7:00 PM)**.
 - Acronyms clarified: CTE (Career, Technical Education), CTP (Community Transition Program).
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V. Fundraising & Donations

- Current year: only **168 families donated** out of 1,200 students.
 - **\$25,000 raised**, falling short of the **\$60,000 goal**.
 - Graduation fundraising in better standing with **\$31,000 raised**, though additional money is needed for raffle prizes, swag, and decorations.
 - Suggestions to improve participation:
 - Clear visuals and/or video showing how donations are used.
 - Improved communication at back-to-school events.
 - Engagement of new and freshman parents.
 - Use of QR codes and targeted emails to simplify donation process.
 - Parents encouraged to donate even in small amounts (\$10–\$20).
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VI. Parking Auction & Fundraising

- Parking auction scheduled for **May 15**.
- One prime spot will be auctioned; remaining spots determined by lottery.
- Funds support summer maintenance and teacher grants.
- Emphasis on strong parent communication and highlighting potential tax deductibility.

VII. Graduation & Events

- The graduation committee reported strong fundraising but ongoing needs.
- Consideration of cost-effectiveness for tickets and inclusivity for all students.
- Suggestions for a ramp-up event to generate enthusiasm among seniors.

VIII. Election of New Board Officers (2025–26)

- **President:** Kate York
- **Vice President:** Ella Mills
- **Secretary:** Amy Longetieg
- **Concessions Treasurer:** Lucy Liu
- General Treasurer position remains open—volunteers needed.
- Outgoing board expressed support for smooth transitions.
- New board was unanimously approved.

IX. Additional Business

- Coordination needed with **Laker Youth Football** regarding concessions.
- February minutes formally approved.
- Next year's meeting schedule is set.

X. Action Items

- Send parking auction details (process, pricing).
- Promote **June 2 bond campaign volunteer check-in event**.
- Transition incoming officers into their new roles.
- Recruit volunteer for open **General Treasurer** role.
- Create visual/video presentation on donation impact.
- Track donations to avoid repeated requests.
- Organize a **welcome event for new families** (with administration support).
- Meet with newly elected officers prior to graduation.
- Coordinate concessions plan with Laker Youth Football.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned and confirmation of next steps.
