

Lower Merion Education Association
Executive Council Meeting
June 14, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: President A. Avellino called the meeting to order at 4:20.
Approval of minutes from May: S. O'Bannon; 2nd by: P. Horodowich

OFFICER REPORTS:

President: Aimee Avellino

- Thank you to K. Cenicola for the help with the end-of-year treats. If you have a receipt, please send it to D. Mandarino. If you still need assistance, planning and purchasing treats for your location, please contact K. Cenicola. LMEA has received some thank yous and know that the treats are appreciated, so thank you for your help!
- The 2022-2023 LMEA calendar is ready and dates will be posted on the LMEA website. It will also be shared with A. O'Hora so that the dates are available for everyone on the LMSD website calendars, too. K. Salladino will send the color-coded document after this meeting. Because of when Spring break falls in 2023,, we need to shift meetings in April a week later. We also will need Executive Council approval due to another slight change: the LMEA elections need to be held within 4 working days of the May General Membership Meeting. Next year, that Tuesday, May 16th, is a staff development day. Often on PD days, staff are not in their buildings, so in order to accommodate that we want to move from Tuesday the 16th to Wednesday the 17th so that everyone will be in their location to vote. A. Thomas motioned to approve the change. (change voting from 4 days after the General Membership Meeting to 5 days) 2nd by S. O'Bannon. A. Avellino noted that the LMEA does have until January to make the change, but wanted to make it now so the calendar can go out once. Motion passes. K. Salladino will share with the Executive Council follow-up email.
- Some officers have received questions about Juneteenth. This year, the federal holiday falls on a Sunday, but is observed on a Monday this year. LMEA has had discussions with the district administration and expects a communication to be sent on or about 6/14 with the district's plan for employees (10 & 12 month) to observe the holiday.
- We are working on the Apple Core. K. Salladino will share with the Executive Council follow-up email.
- Thank you to Executive Council members for all your hard work and support of the officers and our members. If you haven't received it already, a little token to thank you will be shared to show our appreciation. Thank you to the officers as well for all of their work and support.
- Have a wonderful summer. Officers will be available over the summer, so please reach out if there is a need.

Vice President, Support: Victor Fedeli

- No report.

Vice President, Professional: Kelly Cenicola

- No report.

First Vice President: Andy Thomas

- Thanks to everyone for all of their hard work and support. All Executive Council terms are continuing because of the transitions involved with the opening of BRMS and the K-4 and 5-8 split. We will see you all in the fall.

Secretary, Support: Lisa McDevitt

- No report.

Secretary, Professional: Karen Salladino

- No report.

Treasurer: Darlene Mandarino

- Approval of Treasurer's report requested by D. Mandarino; 2nd by: K. Cenicola

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Outreach: Andria Johnson

- No report, other than looking for suggestions to increase outreach and community involvement.

Constitution:

- No report.

Elections: Kelly Cenicola

- No report, just a reminder about elections in the fall.

CNC: Larry Giaquinto & Tom Ricker

- No report. No June meeting.

Financial Advisory Committee: Aimee Avellino

- No report.

Health and Safety: Aimee Avellino, Larry Giaquinto

- No report. The next meeting is on Thursday and will continue to meet over the summer.

Legislation:

- No report.

Minority Affairs Committee: Ato Troop

- No report.

PACE: Andy Thomas

- K. Salladino will share an update to the PACE report. A. Thomas shared information from a recent [Philly Inquirer piece](#). If Doug Mastriano is the next governor of Pennsylvania, education is in jeopardy. Doug Mastriano would slash per pupil spending from \$19,000 (average) to \$9,000 which is about what Mississippi spends per pupil, Mississippi is often criticized and ranked low when it comes to education. Please consider voting for pro public education candidates.

PR&R: Victor Fedeli, Andy Thomas

- Report hasn't changed. Arbitration on 6/28. Hoping that will conclude with good results.

Social: Lisa McDevitt, Aimee Avellino

- The LMEA Retirement Dinner was held on 6/2. 20/21/22 retirees were honored. It was a lovely evening to honor retirees, thanks to L. McDevitt. Anyone who is new to the retiree list will be added to next year's event.

Special Services: Aimee Avellino

- No report.

Sunshine: Debbie Williams

- No report, but keep D. Williams informed if something happens over the summer.

Membership: David Grumbine

- Updated reports will be shared in follow-up email from K. Salladino.

REPORTS OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEES:

CARE: Jackie Gaines

- No report.

Education Foundation: Andria Johnson

- No report.

BUILDING AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Administration: No report.

Belmont Hills ES: No report, just thanks to officers for their work and for the treats. R. Brooks thanked V. Fedeli for his support and advice.

Cynwyd ES: Nothing Cynwyd specific, but there is a question about the lack of subs that results in classes being collapsed. Can teachers from other buildings be moved to cover classes, like maybe those at the high schools that teach seniors? S. O'Bannon & K. Cenicola shared that there are very few senior teachers, so it isn't that simple. Admin are being used and Teachers On Assignment are being used, too. Also, thanks to officers-their work is hugely appreciated.

Gladwyne ES: Thank you and no report.

Merion ES: Thank you and no report.

Penn Valley ES: No report.

Penn Wynne ES: No report.

Bala Cynwyd MS: No report.

Welsh Valley MS: Thank you and no report.

Harriton: No report.

Lower Merion HS: Thank you and no report.

Building & Grounds: No report.

Transportation: No report.

At Large Reps: No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn: AT ; 2nd by: VF at 4:57 .