

**Lower Merion Education Association
Executive Council Meeting
March 11, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER: President A. Avellino called the meeting to order at 4:19 pm

Approval of minutes from January Executive Council Meeting A. Avellino; 2nd K. O'Brien

OFFICER REPORTS:

President, Aimee Avellino

- Tina Giazzoni-Fialko of PSEA spoke about the Mideast Region House of Delegates being held on April 18th at the Warrington Country Club.
- A. Avellino asked building reps to double check the list of people signed up for the new blast. Please recall the LMEA asked members to help construct a whole new list in the fall, so if you have not signed up for the blast this year, you will not be able to receive important updates. To join, please visit the LMEA website to do so.
- The LMEA March General Membership meeting will be held Wednesday 3/13 at the LMEA office at 4 pm.

Vice President, Support: Kyle O'Brien

- No report

Vice President, Professional: Kelly Cenicola

- No report

First Vice President, Andy Thomas

- No report

Secretary, Support: Vic Fedeli

- No report

Secretary, Professional: Karen Salladino

- No report.

Treasurer: Lauren Lapinski

- K. Salladino shared the treasurer's report in the email reminder.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Outreach: Andria Johnson

- No report

Constitution:

- No report.

Elections: Kelly Cenicola and Jen Hannig

- Anyone with interest in running for LMEA officer or committee positions should contact Kelly

Combined Negotiations: Kevin Hughes, Larry Giaquinto

- Negotiations are underway, with our next CNC meeting scheduled for Wednesday 3/13.

Financial Advisory Committee: Aimee Avellino

- No report.

Health and Safety: Aimee Avellino, Larry Giaquinto

- No report. Continue to report concerns as protocol dictates.

Legislation:

- No report.

Minority Affairs Committee: Myah Hadi

- The spring leadership conference was this past weekend. We had four members attend the training.

PACE: Andy Thomas

- No report.

PR&R: Kyle O'Brien, Andy Thomas

- K. Salladino will share the report in the follow-up email.

Social: Vic Fedeli, Aimee Avellino

- The LMEA retirement dinner is scheduled for May 30th at Eviva Restaurant. Plans are being finalized. If you know of someone who is retiring, please let V. Fedeli know so we can be sure they are invited. Email fedeliv@lmsd.org.

Special Services: Aimee Avellino

- No report.

Sunshine: Debbie Williams

- Remember to keep Debbie informed about life events for members. Please email Williad@lmsd.org if there is an event for which she should reach out to the member (birth, death, etc.).

Membership: David Grumbine

- Reports have been sent to each location. Please review and let D. Grumbine and K. Cenicola know if there are corrections to be made.

REPORTS OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEES:

CARE: Jackie Gaines

- No report

Education Foundation: Andria Johnson

- No report

BUILDING AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Administration: Question about how to contact CNC—contact co-chairs, Kevin Hughes or Larry Giaquinto

Belmont Hills ES: No report

Cynwyd ES: No report

Gladwyne ES: IA asked about being pulled to cover for cafeteria/recess aides—while uncommon, this does not violate the scope of their responsibilities.

Merion ES: No report

Penn Valley ES: No report

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Bala Cynwyd MS: No report

Black Rock MS: Questions about curriculum that occasionally prompts pushback from parents—will follow up after our meeting with admin next week.

Welsh Valley MS: Discussion about the overwhelming volume of paperwork for special educators and what teachers can do about it.

Harriton HS: No report

Lower Merion HS: Concerns about an unknown adult from the community who has been loitering near or on Arnold Field taking pictures and video of staff and students. When confronted, he did not identify himself. This needs to go to building

administration immediately; discussion of some of the complexities of the IEP placement/revision process as it relates to teachers' role as advocates for all students; discussion of disparity in student population at the two high schools—LMEA has been and will continue to advocate for a repair of this situation. We continue to talk to district administrators about how to address this issue.

Building & Grounds: No report.

Transportation: No report.

At Large Reps: No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion: A.Thomas, 2nd R. Brooks at 5:14 pm