

Lisgar Collegiate Alumni Association Executive Meeting Minutes

May 28th, 2007 - 7:30 p.m.

Present: Karen Gledhill, Marie Fraser, Wendy Hagglund, Matt Easterbrook, Avi Caplan, Mark Orbay, George Toller, Sylvia Kershman, Joy Heft, Rod Hagglund, Elizabeth Hale

Regrets: Milton Shaffer, Susan Hewitt, Daniel Kekez, Kim Ellard, Margaret Pippy

1. **Introductions / Agenda:** Welcome to Matt Easterbrook.
2. **Minutes:** April 16th meeting minutes approved.
3. **Principal's Report:** (Karen Gledhill) Two staff babies born recently, both boys! Colin Findlater, Donya Beaton. Staffing Changes for 07-08: Retiring - Marion Kizas, office assistant, started in 2000 at LCI. Transfers - Rachele Sintic, going to the Board Office as Learning Support Consultant, started in 1998 at LCI. Balazs Fazakas, promoted to Department Head of Math at Sir Wilfrid Laurier, started in 1998 at LCI. Yvonne Seiers, promoted to Department Head of Guidance and Cooperative Education at Adult H.S., started in 1992 at LCI. Going on Leave - William Creelman. Extended Occasional Teachers, contracts end June 28th: Don Purchase, Kim Medaglia, Dori-Anne Leafloor, Melanie Cantrell, Valeria Pandelieva, Mary Williamson, Maren Hansen. New Hires: Matt Gagnier, from West Carleton, for Music; Andrea Hook, from Bell H.S., for Math; Brenda Perras, from Earl of March, for French; Sarah Storey, from Cairine Wilson, for Special Education/Coop; Derek Tokarski, from Sir Wilfrid Laurier, for Physics. We are extremely fortunate to hire such talented individuals! I explained the staffing process and timelines. Enrolment for September - 1059. Students' Council Co-Presidents, 07-08 - Amit Anand, Galang To; Student Trustee, 07-08 - Umber Dube. Reach For The Top Team - returning from Chicago, Monday, May 28th. They finished 18th out of 160 teams in the preliminary rounds, losing only 3 games and those by relatively narrow margins. Final standing in the play-offs not known yet. Jamie Cooper was the highest scoring "senior" (Grade 12) player in the whole tournament (in all of North America). A phenomenal achievement, particularly given the weighting on American content. Anita Shlien, former Lisgar student, is participating in the ALS walk on June 10th in honour of a former Lisgar teacher, Leonard Zamor. Donations are greatly appreciated. Doors Open Ottawa - LCI is on the tour this weekend, June 2 and 3. Parents and students are running the tour of the school. "Freedom's Fury" - still working on information re: purchase of the film. Presented Fire Alarm and Lockdown procedures. Commencement is June 28th at 11 am.
4. **Finances:** (Marie Fraser) no report.
5. **Secretary:** (Elizabeth Hale) Total alumni members: 4,338. Total Life members: 757. It is a very serious concern that Yvonne is leaving as Secretary of Finances. We need to find someone to fill this role asap or we will not be able to process cheques over the summer. Received a nice thank you letter from Susan Hewitt for the donation of the media cart. Receipts for \$21.27 were presented for postage. Requested permission to purchase a new telephone for the Alumni office as the old phone does not work on this type of line. All articles for the newsletter have been submitted to Matt.
6. **Archives:** (Joy Heft) **Filing:** A considerable amount of filing has occurred since April. The challenge remains to catalogue a number of pictures that have been donated to the archives. **Response to Requests:** A number of people have written requesting information of different nature. Rachel Eugster requested information regarding the connection between John McCrea and Alexis Helmer. The archivist provided her with copies of articles to clarify the matter. Ms. Eugster is writing a chapter on Ottawa's neighbourhoods and architecture for the *Ottawa Book of Everything* and wanted to include Lisgar in it. In addition, Elizabeth Hale had several queries regarding what years, if any, certain persons had attended Lisgar. This data was provided. Barbara Cowie, who is preparing a scrapbook for John Philpott, her father-in-law who attended Lisgar Collegiate wished a copy of the 1936 fencing team, of which he was a member, found in the sesquicentennial yearbook. The photo has not yet been found, but a search will be made. Another person who identifies herself as Flora, a senior in Ontario, wrote requesting information to

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be added about George Chequer to the Canadian Virtual War Memorial. She had noticed in one of our newsletters that we had sent to his sister in Florida an image of our war memorial containing his name and thought we might like to contribute to his currently empty 'page' on the virtual site.

Articles for the Newsletter and other: Energy is currently being devoted to requests for articles for the newsletter – Archival Report, Mystery Pin, A Tribute to Yvonne Seiers – as well as photos to accompany other articles. In addition, a request has been received from James Hum for an updated version of the letter to graduates to be included in the commencement program.

Memorabilia: C.D's Richard Arrigo has indicated that there are C.D's available for sale. Regarding who should receive the revenue for sales of these. Richard has indicated that he would like to cover the cost of production - \$5.00 per C.D.

Requests have come by phone for the purchase of Lisgar ties. Elizabeth and I have agreed that these may be sold for \$10.00 if picked up at the school. Two ties have been sold and the money received. (\$20.00 submitted) Another request has been received and responded to; the transaction is underway.

Sundry: Because of the disappearance of master keys, the school will be re-keyed. The alumni office will require the new key as of some time this week; Minutes for this year's meetings have been erroneously accepted as 2006 and need to be corrected; There are currently three submissions for the Wall for Fame project. (file available); Use of alumni office

7. Newsletter: (Matt Easterbrook) Deadline for all article submissions is today. Newsletter will be edited and formatted for printing in June.

8. Old Business: End of year luncheon will be held on June 14th at the Rideau club. George Toller is graciously hosting once again. The cost will be approximately \$5 per person.

9. New Business: Avi has added all available back issues of Alere Flammam to the website. He will begin scanning old Vox Lycei from the most recent to the oldest.

10. Comments: A plaque will be presented to Milton in recognition of his years on the Alumni executive when we meet for lunch in June. Elizabeth will order 2 plaques: one for Milton and one for the wall outside the library.

Next Meeting: Monday September 17th at 7:30 PM

MEETING ADJOURNED 8:45 P.M.