

# Robert A. Long High School Alumni Association

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Board Meeting  
November 29, 2011  
R.A. Long High School  
Room 115

**Board Members in Attendance:** Doug O'Connor (1964), Mike Chess (1986), Darcie Chess (1986), Arlene Hall (1950), Maureen Young (1961), Helene Watson (1961) Roberta Cox (1955), Dick Peters (1950), and Rich Reeves; Principal (1986).

**Board Members Absent:** Maureen Parsons (1961), Dyarle Sharkey (1961) and Helen Whitcomb (1947), Dee Whyte (1960), Bert Karnofski (1977), Bob Stack (1961), Margie Wixon (1961).

**Guests:** Jim Watson (1955)

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:05 pm by Doug O'Connor, President

## **Treasurers Report:**

Checking Balance: \$6,547.57

Balance of Certificate #18: \$1,256.55

**TOTAL: \$ 7,804.12**

## **New Business:**

- [1] Follow up on Jerry Kelly's presentation in September, he indicated that he would have some CD's ready to be sold and Doug indicated his understanding that Jerry would attend this meeting with some CD's.
- [2] The Hall of Fame is looking for one more non athletic life time achievement nominations for the 2012 ceremony on March 16<sup>th</sup>. Rich will check on changing where the food is located after the ceremony and have some seating available since there will be several people in the 70 to 90 year old age group.
- [3] Helene investigated name tag prices from Ken's engraving with pin back would be approximately \$5.00. Rich suggested she check the prices at Sign Masters, he has found that their prices seem to be lower than Ken's. Helene will follow-up on the engraved name tags and will check on pricing at Sign Masters. Doug indicated that he would pay for the name tags as a donation.
- [4] Maureen indicated that the hats were ordered but have not yet arrived.
- [5] Rich told the group that he decided to separate and move the benches because they were getting abused by skates, skateboards and from people carving on them. He indicated that they are in much safer places now. They are now situated by individual trees.
- [6] Rich told of the red tape they had to go through to remove the two holly trees that were growing by the steps near the street. Rich and Doug talked about the huge discussion that went on the last time they wanted to remove the two trees that are growing in the center island in front of the school. If they could cut down those two trees it would open up and show the beauty of the high school.
- [7] The city received a grant to place security cameras around some of the city schools and they had to go through the National Historic Society in order to put them on R.A. Long.

Old Business:

- [1] Dee and Helene met at the memorabilia room and went over, Dee's idea's as to how she would like to see the materials in the room set up. Helene and Maureen met over the holidays and were able to go through a lot of the materials that have been donated for the room. Helene will have the room key at the next meeting, so that the board can go up and see what is there now. Doug suggested that possibly work parties can work on weekends after the holidays. Helene will make up a sign up sheet for work parties.
- [2] Arlene brought up the suggestion that Bob Chrisman be made an honorary lifetime member, Dee thinks he might already be a lifetime member, Helene will check the books with the membership applications and we could make Jerry Kelly an honorary lifetime membership.
- [3] Rich needs more paint to finish his painting project and he currently needs paint to finish the cafeteria. He is utilizing the students because they need the service points for their senior projects. A motion was made by Maureen Young to give Rich \$500 to purchase more paint and it was seconded by Dyarle Sharkey, vote was unanimous to approve.
- [4] If anyone is still interested in purchasing the school picture being offered as a fund raiser Doug has order forms.

Adjournment: 7:58 pm by Doug O'Connor, President  
Next Board meeting: January 31, 2012  
At R.A. Long High School  
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Respectfully submitted by,  
M. Helene Watson, Secretary,  
R.A. Long Alumni Association