

04/09/2026 LSA meeting at Lutherwood called to order at 6:05pm  
Minutes done by Laurie.

Present

Eric McHenry-president

Evan Pulse-communications chair

Sharon Cody-alt. communications chair

Micah Ping-vice president

Art Baddorf-treasurer

Laurie Henley-at large position #2

Don Goodman-support chair (via zoom)

David DeYoung-technology chair (arrived at 7pm)

Discussed current positions & time limits as stated in the bylaws. Article 6, section 2 mentions length of service - 2 terms (2 years per) Agreed & understood that the interpretation of the bylaws sets the time limit in a position at 4 years. All positions with exception of Art, are good to continue/succeed in their positions. Art will look at taking on another position on the Board. Sharon will run for Treasurer to replace Art. A possible new recruit to be on the Board is Cassidy. Also discussed whether members need to be present to be elected. Agreed that members may be interested in a position, but unable to attend the meeting - and that would be acceptable. Must be paid current members to vote in person for the election on 4/23/26. Sharon will be there to check memberships.

After the general meeting on 4/23/26 when new positions are filled, it has been suggested that all the positions should be read into a subsequent meeting minutes so there is an official record.

Micah reports that the Easter Egg Hunt was very successful. Lots of volunteers. Estimated 60-70 children with a total count of around 100-120 people. A couple of donations were made at the event. Art indicated around \$50 donated.

Evan wishes to step down from the communications chair, but would still like to be involved on board. Micah mentioned 623 emails in WIX, but can only send out 500 emails monthly so some paid members are not getting updates. Evan was able to filter the emails and reduce the number to less than 300.

Art gave a brief financial report. Current totals appear low for 2026, but this is due to the "recurring memberships" that renew at year end (October thru December). The totals are anticipated to be consistent with previous years. Art mentions that we currently have 132 active members, whereas the year before we were at 137.

Sharon provides membership sponsor update - one last sponsor to be featured on our advertisement page.

Eric states that there are three people lined up to speak at the general meeting on 4/23/26.

1) Ivy.

2) Member, Bruce Brown, will discuss his experience appealing his Whatcom County property assessment thru the Whatcom County Board of Equalization.

3) The new Whatcom County Parks Director (since 2022). He will provide an update on Dittrich Park.

Laurie volunteered to make plenty of spaghetti for the general meeting/potluck. She will pick up all food supplies pertaining to the spaghetti. Sharon will bring garlic bread. Micah will bring plates and silverware.

Don is handling the litter pick up on Sunday April 19. All set. Art will help facilitate picking up supplies from the county. Don will bring the donuts. At this point, Don had to leave the meeting.

Micah asked David to remove the "year" on the online renewal for membership. This should simplify things in future.

Eric suggests offering an annual donation to Lutherwood of \$250. Laurie suggests asking the History Club to sponsor. Micah suggested the donation to be \$500 and we could ask the History Club to match the \$250. Eric will follow up with Jerry, regarding the History Club match donation. Laurie made the motion and Micah 2nd the motion. All were in favor (7).

Eric states that Derek previously committed to transcribe the prior minutes from zoom meetings that were held during covid times. Eric will follow up with Derek so we can get them posted to the website. Sharon questioned the timeliness of getting minutes posted. It was agreed that time between meetings can be lengthy and that we would send the minutes out sooner (PDF) and everyone would review/edit/accept them via email and David will upload in PDF form the document.

Discussed "County Paid" project ideas for spring. Lilly pads, Ivy, Dredging. Nothing resulted.

Wrapping up the meeting. Sharon suggests Evan could be an alt. support chair. Optimistic that Cassidy will join the board. Art could be an alt. communications chair, but not Facebook. Will plan for June meeting to prepare for movie night. David will do a straw poll to pinpoint the date.

Laurie moved to adjourn the meeting. Sharon 2nd. All were in favor (7).