Monthly Booster Club Meeting		
Date 9-10-25		LHS In person + Zoom Meeting
Meeting called by	Linda Haskins	
Type of Meeting	Monthly Booster Club Meeting	
Note Taker	Jill Schaefer	
Attendees	11 people in person in Room 1113; 0 on Zoom	

Discussion Items	Action	
Introductions & minutes	Linda called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Attendees introduced themselves. Minutes from the 5-7-25 meeting were approved with no objections.	
Treasurer's Report Ben Kujak-Ford	\$40,447 cash on hand (plus petty cash for concessions).	
Boosters news/discussion Linda Haskins	Mr. Thompson has been meeting with department chairs and will be meeting with all clubs re: getting families to work concessions.	
	Reviewed requests for funding to date totalling \$44,500  • \$12,500 — Mr. Thompson student and staff appreciation  • \$20,000 — Student enrichment opportunities  • \$1,000 — Starbucks coffee gift card rewards  • \$3,200 — Senior yard signs and homecoming rally towels  • \$6,000 — Senior scholarships (\$1,000 each)  • \$400 — Senior exit day  • \$400 — Homecoming  • \$500 — Youth football  • \$500 — No Fear All Fun Charity Run/Walk	
	<ul> <li>Concessions</li> <li>Four more nights where we have two games on one night this fall. We continue to need volunteers. Please use the sign up genius to sign up so we know how many people we can expect and how many people we still need.</li> <li>Plan to purchase a non-venting oven for indoor concessions stand.</li> </ul>	

- Athletics Night went well. Mr. Swanson is trying to make it engaging; it was a good first reboot of an annual event we hadn't held since 2019.
- 9th Grade Student & Family Social: Same night as JV football. Concessions were open for this and it worked well to have both on the same night as it helped generate excitement for families.

### **Upcoming events**

- September 17 LHS Open House. We will do a call for volunteers to make popcorn. We will also make flyers
- Week of September 23 Call for student artwork for Just Coffee fundraiser. Art submissions will be due by Friday, October 17. Look for announcement via Boosters, school, and art teachers.
- October 10 Homecoming football game
- October 11 Homecoming dance, at school, 7-10 p.m.
   We will send out call for Homecoming dance setup, coat check, concessions volunteers.
- October 20 Fall Festival with Trunk or Treat and other activities for feeder school families. We will pay for a bouncy house and candy. Concessions will be open for meal deals + coffee and hot chocolate.
- Coming up in December: Secret Santa (looking for an organizer, see below), Badger Basketball Developmental League games at LHS (concessions help), and Staff Appreciation Event

**Secret Santa** – Need a project leader for this. Modifying this year to be shopping for LHS students only (plus optional gift card for the family). We can do gift drop off at Haskins law firm and school office. Still offer option for folks to donate and we dot the shopping.

#### **How to request funding from Boosters**

Anyone affiliated with LHS can ask for funding from the Boosters – sports, clubs, groups, arts. Check out the <u>funding request form</u> on our website. All requests must get sign-off from Principal Mat Thompson.

# Principal's Report Mat Thompson methompson@madison. k12.wi.us

Same principal team in place as last year, which is great for consistency

1626 kids now enrolled at LHS (projected number was 1553) – next week is third Friday count. These numbers matter for allocation.

## LHS student body by the numbers:

- Hispanic/Latino 544
- White 415
- Black/African American 349
- Multiracial 157
- Asian 73
- American Indian/Alaska Native 4
- Native Hawaiian/Pacific Island 2

# Takeaways from last year — Emphasis on standards based learning:

- Shift from tasks/assignments to mastery
- Understanding what students should know and be able to do
- Instruction aligned to standards
- Promotes student agency when they know what they are working toward on their learning journey

## Student assemblies held by grade level earlier this week covered:

- Expectations and discipline policies
- What education means for you (outcomes you can expect when you earn a high school degree)
- Branding our personal brand and our brand as a school;
   representing LHS in the community

#### Standards-Based Practices, Routines and Systems

High schools are working together and building strategies together

**Professional Learning Communities** – co-teaching practices. Integrated language learners and students with disabilities in our classrooms, which means up to 3 different teaching experts in rooms. Putting professionals together and elevating teaching.

**Discussion of weapons incident from 9-9-25:** Parents commented that the communication to families was handled well. (Mr. Thompson writes it, then it's reviewed by MMSD.) Mr. Thompson explained the incident. Cameras from LHS and Sennett helped identify the student and where he had hidden the weapon

	along Pflaum Road. Student has been expelled. Having great relationships with our students who are willing to speak up when they see or hear about something is currently our greatest source of protection for all students.	
Athletic Director Report Scott Swanson spswanson@madison.k 12.wi.us	<ul> <li>Numbers of student athletes is up across the board at LHS</li> <li>New fall coaches — Leelee Krohn, dance team; Ben Houseman; boys and girls golf</li> <li>Streaming for games on Huddle or YouTube.</li> <li>All athletics assistants in the district have received the new title of Assistant Athletic Director, including our own Linday Lyons!</li> </ul>	
	<b>Discussion:</b> Snap Fundraiser emails to students and families. Every student athlete in the district received this. Snap is a district fundraising company. These digital discount cards replace teams selling coupon cards, etc separately. We get 85% of what we raise. Hasn't been a totally smooth rollout; some concerns raised by students and families. Families can still donate directly to athletics and/or to their team. (One way to do this is on the Boosters website, and we give 100% of funds to teams.)	
	Meeting concluded at 8:45 p.m.	
Next Meeting	October 8, 2025, 7 p.m. in Room 1113 and on Zoom	