1. PA President, Jung Min Lee introduced herself and asked everyone to write how they are feeling in the chat

2. Principal's Report: Brooke Jackson (and Jason is here tonight too)
   a. On the one hand, we have hit a stride and figured out day to day. But on the other hand, because we hit that stride, she feels like we’re in a slump.
   b. We’ve been preparing for the long haul, exploring ideas, like using Regents Week for enrichment. Looking forward to see how 3 of Lab’s traditions, Sports Day, AIDS Action Day and World Majority Day, will be reimagined.

   a. Student government has been going well, split into different groups, like a mental health unit and working on events at the gatherings
   b. Happy that senior pictures will be soon and there are senior sweatshirts

4. Treasurer's Report: Jill Bregenzer
   a. (See shared photo) Over $1,000 came in for One Run
   b. Main expense was the $624 PA Liability Insurance

5. SLT Report: Jung Min gave the update
   a. Checked in with Brooke on all of the uncertainty with the DOE, so Lab decided to host 2 massively-attended events on YouTube for prospective freshmen
   b. Lab will also host some smaller breakout sessions
   c. A special tour will be held for kids on the autism spectrum
   d. There will also be a second look tour for kids who get into other schools

6. Report on Membership: Fran Shapiro
   a. Nothing new to report on membership
   b. Working on the school directory, how to get it up, but to do so safely
   c. Jung Min said since Jen E. is not on the Zoom right now, she just wanted us to know the $1000 raised from the Fun Run was great for the first year

7. Jung Min asked Brooke if there were any updates on Teacher Wishes
   a. Their big wish was the delivery service, so thank you to those who helped do the delivery (Lisa and Pam)
   b. Teachers were struck by parents’ open invitation
   c. Brooke added she is upset we won’t be having the party for the teachers that we usually have, it’s a staff tradition for the last 25 years, she’s not sure what we can do instead

8. Merchandise: Lisa Strasberg
   a. Thanked Fallon for getting student input, so now looking into sweats and masks
   b. Will continue with online sales for now
   c. Lisa said to give the pens and some smaller items to the students at Senior Picture Day

9. Ongoing Business
   a. Jung Min spoke with Brooke about planning for graduation and having junior parents, and can be lower grades too, planning the graduation

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Jill Bregenzer (LABHSTreasurer@gmail.com)  
Fran Shapiro (FranLABHS@gmail.com)
b. Parent Career Speakers: Souad Fennouh
   i. Souad spoke about the career speaker survey that went out, closes November 20th
   ii. The series takes place on the first Tuesday of every month, 12pm-1pm

c. Parent Racial Equity Team: Ginger Pardlo and Anja Wood
   i. All are invited, will have monthly meetings
   ii. To support our school administration and our students
   iii. Advocate for inclusive experience for all students

10. Brief Summary of Tonight’s Featured Speakers: Brooke and Jason on Grades, Progress Reports, Transcripts
    a. Lab’s philosophy of grades as mastery of a target, not a child’s worth, use them mostly because colleges ask for them
    b. Moving towards mastery-based learning and assessment, doesn’t discriminate that some people take longer
    c. This school year, as per COVID, remote learning and Lab’s assessment evolution, encouraging different methods of grading, not giving tests, creating a portfolio of work
    d. We have become an annualized school as far as the transcript, nothing goes on until June (with a few exceptions)
       i. Lab teachers look for an upward trend as far as the numerical grade
       ii. Will continue to issue report cards, as progress reports
    e. Supporting our theory and practice as a year of healing
    f. Catch-up weeks with enrichment, leadership, teachers can do conferencing
    g. Scheduled to offer the PSATs in March
    h. January Regent exams have been cancelled, using the time for enrichment (students given a waiver, as a “pass,” same as what they did last year)
    i. No answer yet on June Regents, but Brooke thinks they won’t be happening
    j. Grade Roundtables in December

11. President’s closing remarks:
    a. Thanked Brooke and Jason and said their overview was helpful for newcomers and old timers alike
    b. Recommended the book Mindset, a new mentality about assessing yourself
    c. Next PA meeting is December 15th, the speaker, Suzy Fauria, will talk about how to handle teen emotions