

**LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL CORPORATION  
Lake Central Freshmen Center – LGI Room  
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
8410 Wicker Avenue, St. John, Indiana 46373  
February 3, 2014 // 7:30 p.m.**

A meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Lake Central School Corporation was held in the Lake Central Freshmen Center LGI Room, 8410 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN on Monday, February 17, 2014. The meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Don Bacso, Vice-President  
John DeVries, Secretary  
George Baranowski, President  
Janice Malchow, Member  
Howard Marshall, Member

Board Members Not Present

Administration Present

Sarah Castaneda, Director of Secondary Education  
Al Gandolfi, Assistant Superintendent  
Rob James, Director of Business Services  
Bill Ledyard, Director of Facilities  
Theresa Schoon, Director of Primary Education  
Dr. Lawrence Veracco, Superintendent

Administration Not Present

<b><u>BOARD MEETING MINUTES</u></b> <b><u>MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2014</u></b>	
<i>Please Note: All Motions Passed With 5-0 Vote Unless Otherwise Indicated</i>	
I.	Call to Order – <i>Mr. Baranowski</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Board President, George Baranowski.</li> </ul>
II.	Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag – <i>Mr. Baranowski</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Baranowski.</li> </ul>
III.	Verification of Receipt and Review of Board Packet – <i>Mr. Baranowski</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has each member successfully received the electronic version of tonight’s board agenda, along with the individual supporting documents, reviewed them, and directed any questions or corrections to Dr. Veracco, prior to this meeting? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Bacso - YES</li> <li>○ Baranowski - YES</li> <li>○ DeVries - YES</li> <li>○ Malchow - YES</li> <li>○ Marshall - YES</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
IV.	Agenda: Approval, Deletions, Additions - <i>Dr. Veracco</i> - <b>Action Required</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revisions to the Agenda include Revised Personnel Recommendations under Mr. Gandolfi’s section.</li> <li>• John DeVries moved to approve the Agenda as Amended. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> </ul>

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V.	Correspondence – <i>Dr. DeVries</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was no correspondence.</li> </ul>
VI.	Liaison Committee Updates – <i>Mr. Baranowski</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Personnel Interview Committee – Howard Marshall: No update</li> <li>• Schererville Redevelopment Committee – Howard Marshall: No update</li> <li>• West Lake – Howard Marshall: No update</li> <li>• Lake Central Education Foundation – Janice Malchow: Meeting on Feb. 12th</li> <li>• Wellness Committee – Janice Malchow: No update</li> <li>• Dollars for Scholars – Janice Malchow: Parent Meeting on Feb. 5th</li> <li>• Dyer Redevelopment Committee – Don Bacso: Meeting next Monday the 10<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• St. John Redevelopment Committee – John DeVries: Last meeting discussed new McDonalds.</li> <li>• Building and Renovation – George Baranowski: Met on Wednesday. Auction at high school was a success. Protsman auction will be this Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup>. Everything is on target and on time.</li> <li>• Legislative Committee – George Baranowski: Will be sharing in a teleconference on Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, with a law firm who is dealing with our representatives from Smith just to talk about the Coalition for Education, they have asked us to do some expert testimony.</li> </ul>
VII.	Official School Board Business Topics: Consent Agenda – <i>Dr. Veracco</i> – <b>Action Required</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Howard Marshall moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Janice Malchow seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> </ul>
	A. Approval of Minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regular Board Meeting: Thursday, January 23, 2014</li> </ul>
	B. Approval of Claims, Payroll and Extracurricular Expenditures
VIII.	Official School Board Business Topics: Regular Agenda
	A. Superintendent – <i>Dr. Veracco</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Recognitions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LCHS - Alyssa Portela: NCWIT Award <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The National Center for Women and Technology (NCWIT) along with the Indiana Aspirations in Computing Awards Committee have selected Alyssa Portela as the recipient of the 2013-2014 NCWIT Indiana Affiliate Award for Aspirations in Computing. This award recognizes computer-related aspirations for demonstrating outstanding aptitude and interest information technology/computing, solid leadership, good academics and post-secondary plans.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Bibich Spell Bowl Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On November 21<sup>st</sup>, Bibich participated in the Elementary Spell Bowl Competition at Kahler Middle School. The team of 14 fourth grade students</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ol>

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	<p>was led by coach, Michelle Snow, with help from assistant, Ellen O'Rourke. In the local competition, Bibich came in 1<sup>st</sup> place in their division out of four teams. At the state level, they made the top ten, ranking 4<sup>th</sup> out of 59 teams. Team includes: Felipe Alvarado, Mariam Ameeruddin, Amelia Benjamin, Mark Bolz, Ellen Forjan, Brittany Geer, Aiden Kluth, Elias Manasrah, Emily MEseberg, Sydney Michna, Madison Moore, Karlie Pruum, Eric Tinsley and Jacob Warn.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Protsman Spell Bowl Team<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• On November 21, 2013, Protsman participated in the Elementary Spell Bowl Competition at Kahler Middle School. The team consisted of 13 fourth grade students and was led by coach, Linda Lauer, with the help from assistant Pat Finnegan. In the local competition, Protsman came in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in their division out of 4 teams. At the state level they made the top ten, ranking 9<sup>th</sup> out of 59 teams. Team includes: Abby Beauchamp, Katie Cluck, Julia DeLuca, Pia Lopez, Cate Malesh, John Merkel, Hailey Newton, Jackson Novak, Lily Rogers, Ethan Schassburger, Alex Enriquez-Sosa, Sophie Textor and Madison VaderMeer.</li></ul></li></ul> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>2. Wellness Update - <i>Mrs. Tallent &amp; Mrs. Wolff</i></li><li>3. Repurposing LCHS Equipment</li><li>4. Open House Reminder<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lake Central High School, February 9, 2014: 12-5:00 p.m.</li><li>• Protsman Elementary School, February 16, 2014: 12-5:00 p.m.</li></ul></li></ol>
B.	<p>Assistant Superintendent / Personnel – <i>Al Gandolfi</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Revised Personnel Recommendations – <b>Action Required</b><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>I. <i>Certified Resignations:</i><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. <i>Resignations:</i><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <i>Francine Denecke, Grade 5 Teacher, Kahler Middle School (effective March 14, 2014).</i></li></ol></li><li>II. <i>Classified Appointments:</i><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. <i>Appointments:</i><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <i>Diana Morley (Crown Point), Title 1 Tutor, Peifer Elementary School (effective January 27, 2014).</i></li></ol></li><li>III. <i>Certified Extracurricular Appointments and Resignations:</i><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. <i>Appointments:</i><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <i>Kristina Ochman, Friendship Club/Kahler Middle School (effective Semester 2 of the 2013-2014 school year).</i></li></ol></li><li>B. <i>Resignations:</i><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <i>Francine Denecke, Assistant Girls Track Coach and Student Council Sponsor/Kahler Middle School (effective March 14, 2014).</i></li><li>2. <i>Adam Tenbarge, Assistant Wrestling Coach/Clark Middle School (effective for the 2014-2015 school year).</i></li><li>3. <i>Chris Rossiano, Head Wrestling Coach/Clark Middle School (effective for the 2014-2015 school year).</i></li></ol></li><li>IV. <i>Classified Extracurricular Appointments:</i></li></ol></li></ol></li></ol></li></ol></li></ol>

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	<p style="margin-left: 40px;">A. <i>Appointments:</i></p> <p style="margin-left: 80px;">1. Tom Moore, Assistant Boys Track Coach/Lake Central High School (effective Semester 2 of the 2013-2014 school year).</p> <p>V. <i>West Lake</i></p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><i>Classified Appointments and Resignations:</i></p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">A. <i>Appointments:</i></p> <p style="margin-left: 80px;">1. Kevin Webb (East Chicago), Paraprofessional, West Lake/Eads Elementary School (effective January 27, 2014).</p> <p style="margin-left: 80px;">2. Brandy Sechrist (Whiting), Paraprofessional, West Lake/Clark Middle School (effective January 27, 2014).</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">B. <i>Resignations:</i></p> <p style="margin-left: 80px;">1. Tracey McLean, Paraprofessional, West Lake/Eads Elementary School (effective January 29, 2014).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Howard Marshall moved to approve the personnel recommendations, both original and revised. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> <li>• Janice Malchow asked about the number of paraprofessionals that have resigned and if Lake Central offers a competitive pay.</li> <li>• Janice Malchow asked about the possibility of having one permanent nursing substitute district-wide.</li> </ul>
<p>C.</p>	<p>Director of Primary Education – <i>Theresa Schoon</i></p> <p>1. Professional Leave Requests – <b>Action Required</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Don Bacso moved to approve the professional leave requests of Alison Mazurkiewicz, Sharon Sellberg, Kim Engel and Janet Jayo. John DeVries seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> </ul> <p>2. Reports on NAGC Convention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Michelle Tyler, Sue Schweitzer, Laura Bloom-Johnson</li> <li>• Heidi Margeas</li> <li>• Kim Udchitz</li> <li>• Julie Crary</li> </ul>
<p>D.</p>	<p>Director of Secondary Education – <i>Sarah Castaneda</i></p> <p>1. Professional Leave Requests – <b>Action Required</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Janice Malchow moved to approve the professional leave requests of Kendal Smith, James Simmons, Adam Tenbarga, Dave Kremsner, Tyler Radtke, Kelly Wojciehowski, Amy Alessandrini, Debbie Stack, Tracy Chandler, Dan Biniewicz, Rita Chavez, Joe Stanisz, Brian McNamara, Cyndi Hurley, Mary Rebey and Joseph Bafia. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> </ul> <p>2. Field Trips - <b>Action Required</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Janice Malchow moved to approve the field trip requests of Tracy Chandler, Donna Spivak (2), MaryJoan Martin (2), and Kevin Mathis.</li> <li>• Janice Malchow was for details regarding Tracy Chandler’s field trip with certain West Lake students to the Children’s Museum at Navy Pier on March 5, 2014.</li> <li>• John DeVries seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> </ul>

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- E. Director of Facilities – *Bill Ledyard*
1. Award and execute alternates #25, #26, #28, & #29 to Gough Inc., for LCHS Phase III – Bid Package #12 – Athletic Fields - **Action Required**
    - John DeVries moved to award and excute alternates #25, #26, #28, & #29 to Gough Inc., for LCHS Phase III – Bid Package #12 – Athletic Fields. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried.
  2. Award and execute Change Order #004 to Larsen-Danielson Construction Co., for LCHS Phase III - Bid Package #4 – GC Building Shell & Concrete Slabs - **Action Required**
    - Howard Marshall moved to award and execute Change Order #004 to Larsen-Danielson Construction Co., for LCHS Phase III - Bid Package #4 – GC Building Shell & Concrete Slabs in the amount of \$138,575. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried.
  3. Award and execute Change Order #004 to Barton Malow Co., for LCHS Phase III - Bid Package #5 – GC Building Interiors - **Action Required**
    - Howard Marshall moved to award and execute Change Order #004 to Barton Malow Co., for LCHS Phase III - Bid Package #5 – GC Building Interiors in the amount of \$215,632. John DeVries seconded the motion. Motion carried.
  4. Award and execute Change Order #003 to Reichelt Plumbing Inc., for LCHS Phase III - Bid Package #8 – Plumbing - **Action Required**
    - Howard Marshall moved to award and execute Change Order #003 to Reichelt Plumbing Inc., for LCHS Phase III - Bid Package #8 – Plumbing in the amount of \$39,187. John DeVries seconded the motion. Motion carried.
  5. Award and execute Change Order #003 to Mechanical Inc., for LCHS Phase III - Bid Package #9 – HVAC - **Action Required**
    - Don Bacso moved to award and execute Change Order #003 to Mechanical Inc., for LCHS Phase III - Bid Package #9 – HVAC in the amount of \$309,311. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried.
  6. Award and execute Change Order #004 to EMCOR Hyre Electric Company, for LCHS Phase III - Bid Package # 10 Electric - **Action Required**
    - Janice Malchow moved to award and execute Change Order #004 to EMCOR Hyre Electric Company, for LCHS Phase III - Bid Package # 10 Electric in the amount of \$65,875. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried.
  7. Award and execute Change Order #009 to Larsen-Danielson Construction Co., for Protsman ES Phase II – Bid Package #03 – Building Foundation/Shell - **Action Required**
    - John DeVries moved to award and execute Change Order #009 to Larsen-Danielson Construction Co., for Protsman ES Phase II – Bid Package #03 – Building Foundation/Shell in the amount of \$12,298. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried.
  8. Award and execute Change Order #008 to Joseph Construction Co., for Protsman ES Phase II – Bid Package #04 – GC Core & Finishes - **Action Required**
    - Howard Marshall moved to award and execute Change Order #008 to Joseph Construction Co., for Protsman ES Phase II – Bid Package #04 – GC Core & Finishes in the amount of \$29,328. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion

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	<p>carried.</p> <p>9. Award and execute Change Order #003 to F.E. Moran Inc. Fire Protection of Northern Illinois for Protsman ES Phase II – Bid Package #09 – Fire Protection - <b>Action Required</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Janice Malchow moved to award and execute Change Order #003 to F.E. Moran Inc. Fire Protection of Northern Illinois for Protsman ES Phase II – Bid Package #09 – Fire Protection in the amount of \$424. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li></ul> <p>10. Award and execute Change Order #005 to Arctic Engineering, for Protsman ES Phase II – Bid Package #011 – Mechanical - <b>Action Required</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Howard Marshall moved to award and execute Change Order #005 to Arctic Engineering, for Protsman ES Phase II – Bid Package #011 – Mechanical in the amount of \$17,354. Janice Malchow seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li></ul> <p>11. LCSC Projects Update</p> <p>a. LCHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• George Baranowski explained that at the beginning of this project, the budget was set up to hold back the allowances so that we would have more control over the spending versus the contractors having the allowances built in. While this does create the need for all of these change orders, it also allows us to hold the purse strings and we only release money on an as needed basis. Mr. Ledyard has done a great job keeping everyone to task here. Mr. Ledyard agreed that this allows us to manage all of the dollars.</li><li>• Howard Marshall asked about the recent boiler breakdown issue.</li><li>• Janice Malchow asked if she could be personally notified when any school sporting events are cancelled.</li><li>• George Baranowski asked for confirmation that during March 22<sup>nd</sup> Spring Break, part of the conversion will be happening. Mr. Ledyard explained the details of this process.</li><li>• George Baranowski asked where the demolition will begin. Mr. Ledyard replied that they will begin with the Theatre.</li></ul> <p>b. Protsman ES</p>
F.	<p>Director of Business Services – <i>Rob James</i></p> <p>1. Donations – <b>Action Required</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Clark Middle School Theatre received 2 donations of \$300 each from the BP Fabric of America Fund.</li><li>• The Clark Poms also received \$900 in donations from various local businesses and personal donations.</li><li>• The Lake Central High School Theatre would like to donate a portion of revenue from a recently play (\$200) to Broadway Cares / Equality Fights AIDS.</li><li>• Janice Malchow moved to approve all donations, both given and received. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li></ul> <p>2. Extra-Curricular Purchases – <b>Action Required</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Lake Central High School Theatre is requesting approval to purchase 4 earset microphones and 2 snap-on cables. The items will be purchased from the Theatre Extra-</li></ul>

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	<p>Curricular Fund at a total cost of \$1,430.00.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watson Elementary School is requesting approval to purchase 15 NOOK’s with related accessories for the school library. The NOOK’s will be purchased from the Watson Memorial Library Extra-Curricular Fund at a total cost of \$2,731.80.</li> <li>• Don Bacso moved to approve all extra-curricular purchases. John DeVries seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> </ul> <p>3. Mr. James gave a summary of the auction at the high school and informed the Board that the gross amount paid at the auction was \$50,287.00.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Malchow asked what time the Protsman auction will be held, what the auctioneer’s commission is and if there are regulations on how the money netted from the auction can be used.</li> <li>• Dr. Veracco thanked those who came out and spent their entire day to assist during the auction: George Baranowski, Bill Ledyard, Rob James, Lynn Goetz, Ed Vargo, Tom Rainwater. Having school personnel on site really helped.</li> </ul>
IX.	<p>Public Comments– <i>Mr. Baranowski</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There were no public comments.</li> </ul>
X.	<p>Board Comments and Consideration of Future Agenda Items – <i>Mr. Baranowski</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John DeVries: Saw a great example of why we need people attending these national meetings, they might be expensive but they are very necessary for teachers, board members and administrators, and very well worth it.</li> <li>• Howard Marshall: Mirrored Dr. DeVries’ comments.</li> <li>• Janice Malchow: Also agreed with Dr. DeVries’ comments and thanked Administration for asking the teachers to attend. Asked Mr. DeLaughter about his recent stage performance, commented that she recently saw Jeannette Lesich at a retired teacher meeting where she was with the choir from Campagna. Dr. Malchow enjoys seeing our educators out giving to the community. Thank you to Mr. Baranowski for his participation in the teleconference tomorrow and spoke about reaching out to legislators now while they are making these major decisions.</li> <li>• George Baranowski: The auction was very well done. Also, we are very lucky the voters allowed us to build this new addition and renovate. The high school was in such dire need. Also asked all Board Members to attend the Open House at 2:00 on Sunday.</li> </ul>
XI.	<p>Board Calendar of Future Activities – <i>Dr. Veracco</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please continue to check our website for upcoming events and important information. Next Meeting on 17<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• Dr. Veracco wanted to mention a couple members of the Lake Central family have been stricken with some health issues. Jim Black, former teacher, just lost his wife on Saturday night. Also, Mark Hill, a great community member out of St. John has taken ill. Please keep them and their families in your thoughts, and if you are so inclined, in your prayers.</li> </ul>
XII.	<p>Adjournment – <i>Mr. Baranowski</i> – <b>Action Required</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John DeVries moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried and meeting adjourned.</li> </ul>

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Minutes of the February 3, 2014 School Board Meeting were approved and adopted by the Board of School Trustees at the February 17, 2014 School Board Meeting.

ATTEST:

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George Baranowski, President

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Dr. John DeVries, Secretary

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