

LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL CORPORATION
Lake Central Freshmen Center – LGI Room
8410 Wicker Avenue, St. John, Indiana 46373
Monday, February 15, 2016

A meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Lake Central School Corporation was held in the Lake Central High School LGI Room, 8410 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN on February 15, 2016. The meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Don Bacso, Member
 Janice Malchow, Vice-President
 Howard Marshall, Member

Board Members Not Present

John DeVries, President
 Sandy Lessentine, Secretary

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

| <u>BOARD MEETING MINUTES</u> Monday, February 15, 2016 | |
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| <i>All Motions Were Passed With a 3-0 Vote Unless Otherwise Indicated</i> | |
| I. | Call to Order – <i>Janice Malchow, Vice President</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting was called to order by Janice Malchow. |
| II. | Verification of Receipt and Review of Board Packet – <i>Janice Malchow, Vice President</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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? Bacso – Yes DeVries - Absent Lessentine – Absent Malchow – Yes Marshall - Yes |
| III. | Agenda: Approval, Deletions, Additions - <i>Dr. Veracco- Action Required</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revisions include an addition under Sarah Castaneda’s professional leave requests and also under her field trip requests sections. Rob James added item number 5 under his section. • Don Bacso moved to approve the Agenda as Revised. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried. |
| IV. | Correspondence – <i>Janice Malchow, Vice President</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was no correspondence. |
| V. | Liaison Committee Updates – <i>Janice Malchow, Vice President</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. West Lake Joint Managing Board: Howard Marshall 2. Building and Renovation Committee: Janice Malchow 3. Personnel Interview Committee: Howard Marshall 4. Legislative Committee: Janice Malchow: Was in Indianapolis last week for Moral Monday. 5. Lake Central Education Foundation: Janice Malchow – Lake Central Education Foundation submitted another round of grants for the teachers. 6. Wellness Committee: Janice Malchow |

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| | <p>7. Dollars for Scholars: Dr. Veracco – DFS worked the concessions at a swim meet and earned \$1,000.</p> <p>8. Dyer Redevelopment Committee: Don Bacso</p> <p>9. St. John Redevelopment Committee: John DeVries</p> <p>10. Schererville Redevelopment Committee: Sandy Lessentine</p> |
| VI. | <p>Official School Board Business Topics: Consent Agenda – <i>Dr. Veracco</i> – Action Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Howard Marshall moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried. |
| A. | <p>Approval of Minutes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">February 1, 2016 – Regular Meeting |
| B. | <p>Approval of Claims, Payroll and Extracurricular Expenditures</p> |
| VII. | <p>Official School Board Business Topics: Regular Agenda</p> |
| A. | <p>Superintendent – <i>Dr. Veracco</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">Professional Leave Request – Action Required<ul style="list-style-type: none">Howard Marshall moved to approve the professional leave requests of Larry Veracco and Al Gandolfi. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried.Memorial Donation – <i>Bob Gustas and Letitia Gustas</i><ul style="list-style-type: none">A donation of \$750 from the Lake Central teachers and administrators was made to Dollars for Scholars in memory of Clark Middle School teacher Michele Tyler who recently passed away.January Wellness Challenge <p><u>2016 WINNERS of the LC BINGO Challenge</u></p> <p>Homan</p> <p><u>WINNERS OF THE \$20.00 GAS CARDS</u></p> <p>B.A.N.D.S. – Lake Central High School Strength and Students – Kahler Flab-u-less – Watson The Young and the Restless – Clark</p> <p>564 - Total Number of BINGOS</p> <p>281 - Total Number of Participants Three schools had over 60% participation.</p> <p><u>BINGO TEAMS</u></p> <p>1st Floor Ladies 1st Grade The 3 Amigos 4 Chicks and a Dude 4th Grade</p> |

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| | | <p>B.A.N.D.S. Barre Masters Better Luck Next Time Bibich Team Dairy Plotters and the Goblet of Milk Fit Chicks Fit Five Fitbit Team Fitness Molders The Flab Five Flab-u-less The Flab-u-licious Dwindling Divas Forty and Fabulous Grade 3 Grimmer Goal Crushers Happy Feet I-Steppers J.A.R.M.S. Jrs (Juniors) "K" Team The Kids in the Hall Kinder Panthers Ladies of White and Blue "Doing the best we can do." Las maestros magnificas Mind Over Matter Motionally Challenged P3 (Pretty Para Pals) Para Princesses PMS: Portion Monitoring Sisters The Pretty Three (P3) Red Hot Chili Steppers Sole Sisters The Special Sauce Special Team "Spring Chickens" Steam Punked Strength and Students Team "2" "Team A" Kitchen Jester's Team Awesome Team Bench Warmers Team Darkside Team Early Childhood Twisted Sisters The Wanderers Warriors of the Night</p> |
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| | <p>Watson W(h)iners Wellness Buddies Wellness Challenge Wellness Wonderfals Wild Women of West Lake Winter Wellness Warriors The Young and Restless</p> |
| <p>B.</p> | <p>Assistant Superintendent / Personnel – <i>Al Gandolfi</i></p> <p>1. Personnel Recommendations – Action Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don Bacso moved to approve the personnel recommendations as presented. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried. <p><i>I. Certified Leaves:</i></p> <p><i>A. Leaves:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Kristy Graff-Bashara, Kindergarten Teacher, Bibich Elementary School (effective April 8, 2016 through the end of the 2015-2016 school year; maternity leave).</i> 2. <i>Kelsey Becich, English Teacher, Lake Central High School (effective May 16, 2016 and returning September 6, 2016; maternity leave).</i> <p><i>II. Classified Resignations, Appointments, Transfers and Change of Hours:</i></p> <p><i>A. Resignations:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Sarah Pratscher, Bus Driver, Lake Central Transportation Department (effective February 12, 2016).</i> 2. <i>Amani Fara, Cafeteria Assistant, Lake Central High School (effective January 29, 2016).</i> 3. <i>Susan Furtek, 9 Month Secretary, Kolling Elementary School (effective February 19, 2016).</i> <p><i>B. Appointments:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Kathy Maday (Crown Point), Product Assistant, Non-School Specific (effective February 9, 2016).</i> 2. <i>Bertha Hernandez (Dyer), Cafeteria Assistant, Kolling Elementary School (effective February 8, 2016).</i> 3. <i>Nita Johnson (Crete), Cafeteria Assistant, Non-School Specific (effective February 8, 2016).</i> <p><i>C. Transfers:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Amy Gurtatowski, from Cafeteria Assistant at Clark Middle School to Office Financial Assistant at Grimmer Middle School-6 hrs (effective February 11, 2016).</i> 2. <i>Tracy Bailey, from Cafeteria Assistant at Grimmer Middle School to Operation Assistant at Grimmer Middle School-7.5 hrs (effective February 11, 2016).</i> <p><i>D. Change of Hours:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Judy Scruggs, Cafeteria Assistant, Clark Middle School (from 4.0 to 4.5 hours effective February 11, 2016).</i> 2. <i>Carolyn Piaskowski, Cafeteria Assistant, Clark Middle School (from 3.25 to 4.0 hours effective February 11, 2016).</i> 3. <i>Marlene Lopez, Cafeteria Assistant, Clark Middle School (from 3.25 to 4.0 hours effective February 11, 2016).</i> 4. <i>Danijela Jokic, Cafeteria Assistant, Kahler Middle School (from 3.25 to 5.0 hours effective February 11, 2016).</i> 5. <i>Rose Oljace, Cafeteria Assistant, Kahler Middle School (from 4.0 to 5.75 hours effective February 11, 2016).</i> 6. <i>Cresentia Federenko, Office Assistant-Nutritionals, Grimmer Middle School (from 5.75 to 6.75 hours effective February 11, 2016).</i> |

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| | <p>7. <i>Maria Leyva, Driver, Lake Central Food Service (from 5.5 to 8.0 hours effective February 11, 2016).</i></p> <p>III. <i>Certified Extracurricular Appointments and Resignations:</i></p> <p>A. <i>Appointments:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <i>Kerry Cooper, Assistant Girls Track Coach/Clark Middle School (effective for the 2015-2016 season).</i>2. <i>Jeff Magdziarz, Assistant Boys Track Coach/Clark Middle School (effective for the 2015-2016 season).</i>3. <i>Andrew Gurnak, Assistant Girls Golf Coach/Lake Central High School (effective for the 2016-2017 season).</i> <p>B. <i>Resignations:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <i>Andrew Gurnak, Assistant Football Coach/Clark Middle School (effective for the 2016-2017 season).</i> <p>IV. <i>Classified Extracurricular Resignations and Non-Renewals:</i></p> <p>A. <i>Resignations:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <i>Joseph Lauerman, Assistant Football Coach/Lake Central High School (effective February 9, 2016).</i>2. <i>Josh Morgan, Assistant Football Coach/Lake Central High School (effective February 9, 2016).</i> <p>B. <i>Non-Renewals:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <i>Mark Hidalgo, Assistant Football Coach/Lake Central High School (effective February 9, 2016).</i> <p>V. <i>West Lake</i></p> <p><i>Classified Resignations and Appointments:</i></p> <p>A. <i>Resignations:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <i>Samantha Maloney, Paraprofessional, West Lake/St. John Evangelist School (effective February 15, 2016).</i>2. <i>Kristin Nowak, Paraprofessional, West Lake/Clark Middle School (effective February 3, 2016).</i>3. <i>Kristina Hemmerling, Paraprofessional, West Lake/Elliott Elementary School (effective February 23, 2016).</i> <p>B. <i>Appointments:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <i>Alexandra Goodwin (Merrillville), Paraprofessional, West Lake/St. John Evangelist School (effective February 15, 2016).</i> |
| C. | <p>Director of Primary Education – <i>Theresa Schoon</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Professional Leave Requests – Action Required<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Janice Malchow moved to approve the professional leave requests of Lynn Zalkos, Lucy Bertossi, Kim Butler, Dana Rund, Stephanie Haddad, Kristy Bashara, Shari Kacius, Tiffany Kelley, Sheri Venturelli, Karen Stahr, Jennifer Engel. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried.2. Camp Invention Presentation – Frank Zaremba and Susan Thomas<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Camp Invention will be held this summer on June 6-10. The heart of the program is the strength of the curriculum which is based off STEM Guidelines (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math). Each year the modules are different. |
| D. | <p>Director of Secondary Education – <i>Sarah Castaneda</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Professional Leave Requests – Action Required<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Don Bacso moved to approve the professional leave requests of Terry Richardson, Mary Ann Medved, Kevin Lewis, Letitia Gustas, William Gray, Abigail Homans, Todd Smolinski, Jeff Kilinski, Ralph Holden, Marty Freeman, Todd Iwema, Terri Budlove, Josh Morgan, Rachel Gray and Chris Colle. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. |

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| | <p>Motion carried.</p> <p>2. Field Trip Requests – Action Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Don Bacso moved to approve the field trip requests of Todd Smolinski, Jeff Kilinski, Todd Iwema, Josh Morgan, Kelly Wojciehowski and Tracy Chandler. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried. |
| E. | <p>Director of Facilities – <i>Bill Ledyard</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Award and execute Change Order #024 to Larsen-Danielson Construction Co., for LCHS Phase III - Bid Package #4 – GC Building Shell & Concrete Slabs - Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Don Bacso moved to approve. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried. <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. Award and execute Change Order #033 to Barton Malow Company, for LCHS Phase III - Bid Package #5 – GC Building Interiors - Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Howard Marshall moved to approve. Janice Malchow seconded the motion. Motion carried. <ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Award and execute Change Order #021 to EMCOR Hyre Electric Co., for LCHS Phase III - Bid Package #10 – Electric - Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Howard Marshall moved to approve. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried. |
| F. | <p>Director of Business Services – <i>Rob James</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Authorization to Advertise Public Hearing on Additional Appropriation – Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The district needs to hold an Additional Appropriation hearing in order to give the public the opportunity to comment on the prospective General Obligation Bond proceeds. The Administration would like to conduct this hearing at our next regularly scheduled School Board meeting on March 7, 2016; the same date in which we intend to bring you the 2016 General Obligation Bond resolution. I seek your approval to publish notice of this hearing in the Times and Post Tribune newspapers as required by state statute. Howard Marshall moved to approve. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried. <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. Donations – Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Grimmer Middle School PTO donated \$200 to Spell Bowl.• Peifer Elementary raised money with their Jump Rope for Heart program. A total of \$13,822.46 was collected. The school is requesting to donate the entire \$13,822.46 collected to the American Heart Association.• The Peifer Student Council would like to donate \$222 to Alsip to the Rescue.• Don Bacso moved to approve. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried. <ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Extra-Curricular Purchases – Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The High School Athletic Department would like to purchase a TouchWall Interactive Hall of Fame display. The screen would be hung in the Athletic hallway and would cost an estimated \$14,150. The entire cost would be paid from the Athletics Extra Curricular Account.• Janice Malchow moved to approve. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried. <ol style="list-style-type: none">4. FY 2016 Funding per ADM <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Indiana Department of Education has finalized the school funding formula computations for the fiscal year 2016. These calculations were made based on the State’s current budget allocation for K-12 Education. Mr. James discussed the data with |

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| | <p>the Board.</p> <p>5. Clarification of Corporation Charge Accounts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Corporation only has one charge card which is kept in a locked safe and is mainly used for the wireless setting, to book hotel rooms for professional leaves, and for technology to order parts online. When the credit card statement comes in, the charges are matched up to receipts that have been turned in. • The Corporation does have several lines of credit at various stores like Menards, Stracks, etc. They are used by maintenance and teachers (i.e. FACS teachers and Art teachers) for supplies. They have to be listed on the account and show proper ID. Those recipes are turned in and matched up with an invoice when received. |
| VIII. | <p>Public Comments– <i>John DeVries</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Susan Duggar of St. John: She is here as a parent of a middle school student. She feels that accelerated reader is a fantastic program but that having it be 20% of the final grade is too much. |
| IX. | <p>Board Comments and Consideration of Future Agenda Items – <i>Janice Malchow, Vice President</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don Bacso: Thank you to Frank Zaremba and Susan Thomas for their presentation. • Janice Malchow: Congratulations to the Centralettes and cheerleaders, good luck to science Olympiad teams, BPA and swim teams. • Janice Malchow: Senate Bill 334 is coming up for vote tomorrow. Feels it is a guise to put more money into voucher programs and private schools. Please email your legislators and tell them your opinions on this bill. |
| X. | <p>Board Calendar of Future Activities – <i>Dr. Veracco</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting is Monday, March 7th. |
| XI. | <p>Adjournment – <i>Janice Malchow, Vice President</i> – Action Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howard Marshall moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 am. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried. |
| <p>Minutes of the February 15, 2016 School Board Meeting were approved and adopted by the Board of School Trustees at the March 7, 2016 School Board Meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">_____ Dr. John DeVries, President</p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">_____ Sandy Lessentine, Secretary</p> | |
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